

Proclamation by the Director of Emergency Services of a Local Emergency

WHEREAS, Municipal Code Section No. 8.10.035, Article A-1 of the Los Gatos Municipal Code empowers the Director of Emergency Services, or in the Director's absence the Acting Director to proclaim the existence or threatened existence of a local emergency when the Town of Los Gatos is affected or likely to be affected by a public calamity and the Town Council is not in session, and;

WHEREAS, the Director of Emergency Services of the Town of Los Gatos hereby finds:

1. A novel coronavirus (named "COVID-19") was first detected in Wuhan City, Hubei Province, China in December 2019. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) determined the virus to be a very serious public health threat.
2. On January 30, 2020, the World Health Organization declared the Covid-19 outbreak a Public Health Emergency of International Concern.
3. On January 30, 2020, the United States Secretary of Health and Human Services declared a Public health Emergency.
4. On January 31, 2020, the first case of Covid-19 was confirmed in Santa Clara County ("County").
5. On February 10, 2020, the County declared a local health emergency and proclaimed a local emergency.
6. On March 11, 2020, the County had 48 cases of Covid-19 with increased community spread.
7. On March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization declared Covid-19 an international Pandemic.

WHEREAS, the above facts give rise to conditions of extreme peril to the safety and health of persons within the Town of Los Gatos.

WHEREAS, these conditions are or are likely to be beyond the control of the services, personnel, equipment, and facilities of the Town of Los Gatos, and;

WHEREAS, the efforts required to prepare for, respond to, mitigate, and recover from the increasing spread of Covid-19 have and will likely impose extraordinary requirements and expenses on the Town, requiring diversion of resources from day-to-day operations; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council of the Town of Los Gatos is not in session and cannot immediately be called into session:

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY PROCLAIMED that a local emergency now exists throughout the Town of Los Gatos, and;

IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED that during the existence of said local emergency the powers, functions, and duties of the emergency organization of the Town of Los Gatos shall be those prescribed by state law, by ordinances, and resolutions of this Town, and; That this emergency proclamation shall expire in 7 days after issuance unless confirmed and ratified by the Town Council of the Town of Los Gatos.

Dated: 12 March 2020

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