

TOWN OF LOXAHATCHEE GROVES

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-04

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF LOXAHATCHEE GROVES, FLORIDA, PROVIDING THAT THE TOWN MANAGER MAY DECLARE A LOCAL STATE OF EMERGENCY AS NEEDED AND RELATED TO IMPACTS OF THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC, AS REFERRED TO IN COUNTY, STATE AND NATIONAL HEALTH EMERGENCY DECLARATION ORDERS; THE TOWN COUNCIL FURTHER PROVIDES THAT THE TOWN MANAGER HAS THE AUTHORITY TO SUSPEND, CANCEL OR RESCHEDULE OTHER NON-ESSENTIAL PUBLIC MEETINGS, LIMIT PUBLIC ACCESS TO TOWN FACILITIES AND SERVICES, PROVIDE FOR EMPLOYMENT MATTERS INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO FLEXIBLE SCHEDULING AND ALTERNATIVE STAFFING MODELS TO SERVE THE TOWN'S NEEDS; INCLUDING CANCELLING OUTSIDE EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES AND OTHER RELATED PURPOSES FOR EFFICIENT AND SAFE OPERATIONS FOR THE TOWN BUSINESS; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICT; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020 the World Health Organization declared the COVID-19 outbreak a global pandemic; and

WHEREAS, the United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has deemed it necessary to prohibit or restrict non-essential travel to or from certain countries of concern; and

WHEREAS, The Federal, State and County governments have all declared "States of Emergency" orders regarding the COVID-19 Pandemic; and,

WHEREAS, The Federal, State and County governments have recommended limiting public access, exposure and congregation of the public at events, meetings and gatherings and further directed to provide for employment matters including but not limited to flexible staffing, alternate work schedules, telecommuting paid leave time and other pandemic pay policies for employees, and to suspend, cancel or reschedule other non-essential public meetings, congregation of groups and limit public access to facilities and services; and,

WHEREAS, The health and safety of the public in general under existing government emergencies declarations regarding the COVID-19 Pandemic are ongoing and evolving at a rapid unpredictable pace; thus it is in the best interest of the residents of the Town of Loxahatchee Groves for the Town Council to adopt this resolution.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF LOXAHATCHEE GROVES, FLORIDA:

Section 1. The foregoing "Whereas" clauses are hereby ratified and confirmed as being true and correct and are hereby made a specific part of this Resolution upon adoption hereof.

Section 2. The Town Council hereby directs that due to these important government declared pandemic health and safety matters, until directed otherwise by the Town Council, the determination is to be made by the Town Manager in regards to impacts of the covid-19 pandemic as referred to in county, state and national health emergency declaration orders; the town council further provides that the town manager has the authority to suspend, cancel or reschedule other non-essential public meetings, limit public access to town facilities and services, providing for flexible scheduling and alternative staffing models, telecommuting paid leave time and other pandemic pay policies to serve the residents' needs; also cancelling outside events and activities and other related purposes for efficient and safe operations for the town business.

Section 3. Severability. If any clause, section, or other part or application of this Resolution shall be held by any court of competent jurisdiction to be unconstitutional or invalid, such unconstitutional or invalid part or application shall be considered as eliminated, and so not affecting the validity of the remaining portions or applications remaining in full force and effect.

Section 4. Conflicts. All Resolutions or parts of Resolutions in conflict herewith are to the extent of such conflicts hereby repealed.

Section 5. Effective Date. This Resolution shall take effective immediately upon its adoption.

Council Member _____ offered the foregoing resolution. Council Member _____ seconded the motion, and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

	<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Robert Shorr, Mayor	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Dave DeMarios, Vice Mayor	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Laura Danowski, Councilmember	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Lisa El-Ramey, Councilmember	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Phillis Maniglia, Councilmember	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

ADOPTED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF LOXAHATCHEE GROVES, FLORIDA, THIS-__ DAY OF March, 2020.

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FLORIDA**

ATTEST:

Robert Shorr, Mayor

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Town Clerk

Dave DeMarios, Vice Mayor

Laura Danowski, Council Member

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM:

Lisa El-Ramey, Council Member

Office of the Town Attorney

Phillis Maniglia, Council Member