

RESOLUTION #R-__-2020

**A RESOLUTION OF THE LOVELAND CITY COUNCIL EXTENDING THE
LOVELAND CITY MANAGER'S DECLARATION OF LOCAL DISASTER PURSUANT
TO C.R.S. SECTION 24-33.5-709 REGARDING COVID-19**

WHEREAS, in December 2019, a novel coronavirus, now designated COVID-19, was detected in Wuhan City, Hubei Province China that includes symptoms of coughing, fever and shortness of breath with outcomes ranging from mild to severe illness, and in some cases death; and

WHEREAS, those at greatest risk of contracting COVID-19 are elderly individuals and those with underlying health conditions, and the disease is easily transmitted without any display of symptoms; and

WHEREAS, on January 20, 2020 the Center for Disease Control confirmed the first United States case of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on March 5, 2020 the State of Colorado had its first positive case of COVID-19 and is now experiencing limited community spread; and

WHEREAS, on March 9, 2020 Larimer County had its first positive case of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on March 10, 2020 Governor Jared Polis declared a state of emergency in response to COVID-19 to ensure that resources are available to the state to combat the disease; and

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020 the World Health Organization declared COVID-19 a pandemic, acknowledging its anticipated worldwide spread; and

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020 President Donald Trump declared a national emergency in response to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, as of March 13, 2020 the United States has approximately 1,629 cases of COVID-19 in 46 states and Washington, D.C. and has experienced 41 related deaths; and

WHEREAS, the City, the Larimer County Department of Public Health and Environment, state officials and the Thompson School District (the "School District") are cooperatively working to limit community spread and slow the transmission rate of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, the School District announced plans for a short-term closure of the schools to include the Spring Break period of March 16, 2020 through March 20, 2020, plus an additional one week period, through March 27, 2020; and

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020 the Loveland City Manager issued a declaration of local disaster (the "Declaration"), attached hereto as **Exhibit "A"** and incorporated by reference, pursuant to C.R.S. § 24-33.5-709 which declaration cannot be continued or renewed for more than seven (7) days without the approval of City Council; and

WHEREAS, the Declaration activates local and inter-jurisdictional disaster emergency plans and authorizes aid and assistance under the plans; and

WHEREAS, City Council finds that the current situation and conditions described in the Declaration and as described in this Resolution continue to constitute a local disaster and will extend beyond the seven-day declaration period; and

WHEREAS, City Council anticipates that the current situation and conditions may require the City to commit resources and expend City funds to protect the public's health, safety and welfare; and

WHEREAS, under the broad powers vested in the City by the laws of the State of Colorado, the City of Loveland Charter and Loveland Municipal Code, and by the City's home rule status, the City Council has the authority to take such lawful actions as are necessary to protect the public's health, safety and welfare; and

WHEREAS, City Council has determined that continuing the effect of the Declaration beyond the seven-day limit set forth in C.R.S. § 24-33.5-709 is necessary to protect the public's health, safety and welfare.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOVELAND, COLORADO:

Section 1. That pursuant to C.R.S. § 24-33.5-709 the Declaration shall continue in effect from the date of this Resolution until such time as the City Manager determines that the local disaster declared in the Declaration, and as further described in this Resolution, no longer exists within the City of Loveland.

Section 2. That this Resolution shall be filed with the City Clerk and the City Clerk is directed to promptly publicize this Resolution to the general public and to file a copy with the Colorado Office of Emergency Management.

Section 3. That this Resolution shall be effective as of the date of its adoption.

ADOPTED this __ day of March, 2020.

Jacki Marsh, Mayor

ATTEST:

Patti Garcia, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Moses Garcia, City Attorney

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