

**RESOLUTION NO. 6310(20)**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOMPOC,  
COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA, STATE OF CALIFORNIA,  
PROCLAIMING THE EXISTENCE OF A LOCAL EMERGENCY  
DUE TO THE COVID-19 VIRUS**

**WHEREAS**, California Government Code Sections 8558 and 8630 et seq., and Chapter 2.36 of the Lompoc Municipal Code, empower the City Council of the City of Lompoc (City) to proclaim the existence of a local emergency when the City is affected by the actual or threatened existence of conditions of disaster or of extreme peril to the safety of persons and property within the City which are, or are likely to be, beyond the control of the services, personnel, equipment, and facilities of the City and require the combined forces of other political subdivisions to combat; and

**WHEREAS**, conditions of disaster or of extreme peril to the safety of persons and property have arisen as a result of the introduction of the novel coronavirus ("COVID-19"), a novel communicable disease, which was first detected in Wuhan, China in December 2019. COVID-19 has since spread globally to over 68 countries, infecting more than 90,000 persons and killing more than 3,000 individuals worldwide. As of March 3, 2020, there were 60 COVID-19 cases identified in the United States, including 43 cases in California. Due to the expanding list of countries with widespread transmission of COVID-19, the increasing travel alerts and warnings for countries experiencing sustained or uncontrolled community transmission issued by the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention ("CDC"), the escalation of United States domestic cases of and deaths from COVID-19, and the identification of COVID-19 cases in California, COVID-19 has created conditions that are or likely to be beyond the control of local resources and require the combined forces of other political subdivisions to combat; and

**WHEREAS**, over the past week, there has been a significant escalation of United States domestic cases of and deaths from COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS**, the mobilization of local resources, ability to coordinate interagency response, accelerate procurement of vital supplies, use mutual aid, and allow for future reimbursement by the state and federal governments will be critical to successfully responding to COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS**, these conditions warrant and necessitate that the City proclaim the existence of a local emergency.

**NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED**, based on the recitals above which are true and correct, that a local emergency exists in the City of Lompoc due to COVID-19.

**IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED** that during the existence of the local emergency the powers, functions, and duties of the Director of Emergency Services and the emergency organization of the City shall be those prescribed by state law and by ordinances and resolutions of the City.

**IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED** that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Director of California Governor's Office of Emergency Services requesting that the Director find it acceptable in accordance with State law; that the Governor of California, pursuant to the Emergency Services Act, issue a proclamation declaring an emergency in the City of Lompoc; that the Governor waive regulations that may hinder response and recovery efforts; that recovery assistance be made available under the California Disaster Assistance Act; that the State expedite access to State and Federal resources and any other appropriate federal disaster relief programs; and that the Governor approve, pursuant to Government Code section 8633, the cost of any extraordinary services incurred by political subdivisions in executing mutual aid agreements as a legal charge against the State.

**IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED** that James Throop, City Manager of the City of Lompoc, or his designee, is hereby designated as the authorized representative for public assistance and individual assistance of the City for the purpose of receipt, processing, and coordination of all inquiries and requirements necessary to obtain available local, State, and Federal assistance.

**IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED** that the COVID-19 virus is hereby certified as a public health hazard for purposes of Health & Safety Code section 101040(c), for purposes of any federal or state disaster relief program.

**IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED** that said local emergency shall be deemed to continue to exist until its termination is proclaimed by the City Council of the City of Lompoc, and that the need for continuing the local emergency shall be reviewed by the City Council at least once every sixty (60) days until the City Council terminates the local emergency, as required by Government Code Section 8630.

**IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED** that this resolution is effective upon its adoption.

The foregoing Resolution was proposed by Council Member \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by Council Member \_\_\_\_\_, and was duly passed and adopted by the Council of the City of Lompoc at its regular meeting on March 17, 2020, by the following vote:

AYES: Council Member(s):

NOES: Council Member(s):

ABSENT: Council Member(s):

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Jenelle Osborne, Mayor  
City of Lompoc

ATTEST:

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Stacey Haddon, City Clerk  
City of Lompoc