

**CITY OF BROOKINGS
STATE OF OREGON**

RESOLUTION 20-R-1174

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF BROOKINGS DECLARING A TEMPORARY STATE
OF EMERGENCY WITHIN THE BOUNDARIES OF THE CITY AND DELEGATING
AUTHORITY TO THE CITY MANAGER**

WHEREAS, on March 8, 2020, the Governor of the State of Oregon issued Executive Order 20-03 declaring a statewide State of Emergency under ORS 401.025(1) due to the serious public health and safety threat posed by the spread of the COVID-19 virus within our state; and

WHEREAS, ORS Chapter 401.309 grants the City additional authority to declare a State of Emergency within the City; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that the detection of multiple cases of Coronavirus (COVID-19) within the state and the Governor's Declaration present circumstances constituting a present threat of imminent widespread or severe damage, significant injury to persons or property, increased human suffering, loss of life, and financial loss within the City's boundaries; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that during this State of Emergency, it is prudent and responsible to delegate certain powers and responsibilities to the City Manager in order to more efficiently expedite City responses and services; and

WHEREAS, these emergency circumstances require focused and coordinated municipal and community responses beyond that which occur routinely and such coordinated responses cannot be achieved without temporarily amending some of the City's regular business, emergency, employment, and intergovernmental practices; and

WHEREAS, these emergency circumstances are anticipated to remain in effect for at least four weeks;

Now, Therefore, it is Declared that:

1. **City-wide State of Emergency.** A City-wide State of Emergency hereby exists within the City of Brookings, which includes all of the area within the city boundaries. This State of Emergency shall become effective immediately and shall continue through June 30, 2020, unless further extended or rescinded by the City pursuant to this Declaration.

2. **City Authority.** During this State of Emergency, the City may take any legal and necessary steps to respond and recover from the emergency, including but not limited to: requesting assistance, funds, and reimbursement from the State of Oregon and federal agencies; adopting temporary rules and policies regarding City facilities, funds, resources, and staff; entering into contracts for services or aid agreements with other governmental or private entities; and cancelling non-essential City meetings and events.
 - a. Emergency procurement of goods, services, and public improvements is hereby authorized pursuant to ORS 279B.080, ORS 279C.320, ORS 279C.380(4), and all other applicable statutes, ordinances, and rules.
3. **Staff Designation.** The City Manager is directed to identify two additional City staff members who are designated and authorized to serve as the “acting in capacity” City Manager (City Manager AIC) in the City Manager’s absence during this State of Emergency. The City Manager or designee(s) shall regularly document and report to the Council regarding any actions or orders taken pursuant to this Declaration.
4. **City Manager Delegation.** During this State of Emergency, the Council hereby delegates to the City Manager (and to City Manager designees in the case of the City Manager’s absence), the authority to take actions and issue orders necessary and reasonable to protect health, safety and welfare of the City and the public and to conduct activities that minimize or mitigate the effect of the emergency, as long as such actions, orders, and activities are in compliance with City, state and federal law.
 - a. Notwithstanding the immediately preceding, if the City Manager desires to issue a municipal order limiting or banning public gatherings, establishing curfews, closing or limiting businesses, or implementing other social distancing measures *beyond that ordered by the State of Oregon*, the City Manager shall first consult with the City Council. This provision does not prevent the City Manager from publishing recommendations regarding such social distancing measures within the City.
 - b. The City Manager will make every effort to communicate and consult the City Council prior to any actions under this declaration.
5. **Effective Date and Duration.** This Declaration shall be effective on the date adopted by the City Council and shall remain in effect until June 30, 2020, at 11:59 pm unless further extended by the City Manager or designee or the City Council.

6. **Establishing an Emergency.** It is hereby adjudged and declared that existing conditions are such that this Declaration is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety of the City of Brookings, and an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Ordinance, and all provisions modifying the Ordinance referred to herein, shall take effect in full force and effect when signed by the Mayor.

Adopted by the City Council March 23, 2020; and made effective the same date.



Mayor Jake Piper

Attest:



City Recorder Janell K. Howard