

# CITY OF ADAK, ALASKA

## EMERGENCY ORDINANCE NO. 20-2020-112

### **AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ADAK DECLARING A LOCAL EMERGENCY AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO TAKE NECESSARY ACTIONS TO REDUCE THE IMPACT AND SPREAD OF THE CORONAVIRUS KNOWN AS COVID-19 THROUGHOUT THE CITY OF ADAK.**

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WHEREAS, the United States Center for Disease Control and Prevention has identified the COVID19 virus as a new strain of coronavirus not previously identified in humans, causing respiratory disease that can result in serious illness or death and which poses a significant public health risk; and

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

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020, Governor Mike Dunleavy declared a Public Health Disaster Emergency in the State of Alaska; and

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, President Donald Trump declared a national emergency in response to the virus pandemic; and

WHEREAS, on March 17, 2020 the City Council closed public access to City Hall, encompassing the City Offices, School, Post Office and Clinic to reduce the potential for transmission; and

WHEREAS, on March 17, 2020 the United States Navy cancelled the 2020 field season for the munitions work on the island, protecting public health but also disrupting a major facet of the local economy; and

WHEREAS, COVID-19 has the potential to further disrupt the local economy which could have a large negative impact on residents' livelihoods and City revenues; and

WHEREAS, Governor Dunleavy has ordered all schools in Alaska closed for the remainder of the school year; and

WHEREAS, Governor Dunleavy has issued health mandates that have and will continue to impact the local economy directly and indirectly while safeguarding public health; and

WHEREAS, the risk to the community increases with each flight or marine vessel that arrives into Adak; and

WHEREAS, a declaration of emergency will alert the public to the seriousness of the risk, and provide direction to sources of information and other available public health resources, all while the City of Adak works in cooperation with other local and state agencies to implement actions and responses to address the COVID-19 outbreak; and

WHEREAS, a proactive approach taken by individuals and communities to slow the rate of infection will reduce the negative impact on our health care system.

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NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF ADAK, ALASKA:

**Section 1. Emergency Declared.** The City Council of the City of Adak, Alaska hereby declares a local emergency to exist within the City of Adak, Alaska. The emergency results from the COVID-19 pandemic which poses a substantial risk of serious injury to people in Adak.

**Section 2: State and Federal Assistance Required.** The City of Adak requests that the Governor of Alaska provide such state assistance as may be available to meet the ongoing emergency created by COVID-19 and to request additional assistance from federal agencies where state capability is not adequate.

**Section 3: Meetings.** The rules governing in-person attendance per ACO 2.04.10(b) for regular meetings, and 2.04.15(a) for special meetings are suspended so that a quorum may be reached without gathering people at central locations. The City Manager will arrange for telephonic or other electronic means to ensure participation by Council members and the public without requiring a physical presence at a single location.

**Section 4: Delegation.** The City Manager is authorized to take necessary actions, in accordance with ACO 2.03.15 and AS 26.23.140, to prepare and position our resources in order to reduce the impact and spread of the coronavirus throughout the City of Adak, including the authority to make emergency purchases of equipment and supplies. The City Manager is authorized to use all the resources of City government as reasonably necessary to cope with the emergency. Subject to any applicable requirements for compensation under applicable law, the city manager may commandeer or utilize any private property, except for the news media, as necessary to cope with the emergency.

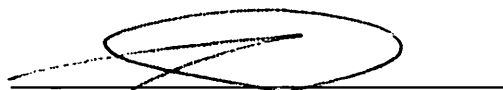
**Section 5: Effective Date.** This emergency ordinance shall become effective immediately upon adoption and remain in effect for 60 days pursuant to ACO 1.03.45.

**Section 6: Renewal.** This emergency ordinance may be reauthorized or extended by the City Council by an additional emergency ordinance adopted at a meeting held by teleconference prior to its expiration.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED BY A DULY CONSTITUTED QUORUM OF THE ADAK CITY COUNCIL ON THIS 21<sup>ST</sup> DAY OF APRIL 2020.**

ATTEST:

  
Layton J. Lockett, City Manager

  
Thomas P. Spitler, Mayor



Date of Introduction: April 21, 2020  
Date of First Reading: April 21, 2020  
Date of Public Hearing: April 21, 2020