## CITY OF LIVINGSTON OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER EXECUTIVE ORDER No. 1-2020

## EXECUTIVE ORDER DECLARING A STATE OF EMERGENCY TO EXIST WITHIN THE CITY OF LIVINGSTON, MONTANA RELATED TO THE COMMUNICABLE DISEASE COVID-19 NOVEL CORONAVIRUS

**WHEREAS**, the World Health Organization has declared the worldwide outbreak of COVID-19 Novel Coronavirus a pandemic;

WHEREAS, on January 31, 2020, the United States Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) Secretary Alex Azar, declared a public health emergency for COVID-19 beginning on January 27, 2020;

**WHEREAS**, on March 12, 2020, Governor Bullock issued an Executive Order declaring an emergency to exist within the State of Montana related to COVID-19;

WHEREAS, as of March 17, 2020, the United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) indicates there are over 4,226 cases and 75 deaths across the United States as a result of COVID-19;

WHEREAS, many counties and cities in Montana are experiencing confirmed cases of COVID-19;

WHEREAS, the Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services (DPHHS) recognizes COVID-19 as a threat to the residents of Montana;

WHEREAS, although there are presently no confirmed cases in Park County, the Montana DPHHS, local health departments, health and medical departments and local jurisdictions have activated response plans and protocols to prepare for the arrival of the virus in Montana;

WHEREAS, proactively implementing mitigation measures to slow the spread of the virus is in the best interests of the City of Livingston and its people;

WHEREAS, COVID-19, a respiratory disease that can result in serious illness or death, is caused by SARS-CoV-2 Virus, which is a new strain of Coronavirus that had not been previously identified in humans and can easily spread from person-to-person;

WHEREAS, the CDC identifies the potential public health threat posed by COVID-19 both globally and in the United States as "high," and has advised that person-to-person spread of COVID-19 will continue to occur globally, including within the United States;

WHEREAS, the circumstances of this outbreak may exceed the capacity of the services, personnel, equipment, supplies and facilities of any single jurisdiction and the combined forces of a mutual aid region or regions to combat;

WHEREAS, the availability and utilization of all necessary city government services, equipment, and suppliers under this declaration will further the efforts to protect health and safety and to preserve the lives, property, and resources of the people of Livingston, Montana;

WHEREAS, under these conditions pursuant to § 10-3-406 MCA, the City Manager may mobilize city resources to protect life, health, and property;

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, MICHAEL J. KARDOES,** City Manager of the City of Livingston, Montana, pursuant to the authority vested in me as principal executive officer under the laws of the State of Montana, Title 10, Chapter 3, MCA, and under other applicable statutes, do hereby declare:

- 1. That an emergency exists in the City of Livingston, as defined in § 10-3-103 and 10-3-402, MCA.
- 2. This Declaration shall activate the response and recovery aspects of any and all adopted local disaster emergency plans, including the Park County Montana Emergency Operations Plan (2011), and authorize the furnishing of aid and assistance in accordance with such plan.
- 3. The Manager has the authority, pursuant to Section 10-3-406, MCA, to prevent ingress to or egress from all or part of the City and to direct law enforcement to enforce quarantines and curfews in all or parts of the City concurrent with or at the direction of the County Board of Health Officer.
- 4. The Manager will adhere to and implement all directives provided by the Governor of the State of Montana regarding the COVID-19 pandemic.
- 5. This Declaration is effective immediately and shall terminate upon subsequent order from the Manager of the City of Livingston, Montana.
- 6. Copies of this Declaration be filed with the County Clerk and Recorder, the City Clerk, and the Montana Disaster and Emergency Services Division in Helena.
- 7. The public shall be notified of this Declaration as soon as reasonably feasible through general dissemination to the news media, posting on the city website and social media accounts, or using other means of communication appropriate for informing the general public.

Declared by the Manager of the City of Livingston, Montana, on this 18th day of March, 2020.

CITY MANAGER

MICHAEL J. KARDOES

ATTEST:

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