

PROCLAMATION OF THE DIRECTOR OF EMERGENCY SERVICES OF THE CITY OF ARROYO GRANDE, CALIFORNIA, DECLARING THE EXISTENCE OF A LOCAL EMERGENCY WITHIN THE CITY OF ARROYO GRANDE (COVID-19)

WHEREAS, Section 8.12.060 of the Arroyo Grande Municipal Code empowers the Director of Emergency Services/City Manager ("Director") of the City of Arroyo Grande to proclaim the existence of a local emergency when the City is affected or likely to be affected by a public calamity and the Disaster Council/City Council ("City Council") is not in session; and

WHEREAS, the City Manager, as Director of Emergency Services of the City of Arroyo Grande, does hereby find that on March 16, 2020 an extreme threat to the health and safety of persons and property arose in the City of Arroyo Grande as a result of the presence of novel coronavirus (COVID-19) and that this situation necessitated the proclamation of the existence of a local emergency within the City of Arroyo Grande; and

WHEREAS, the City of Arroyo Grande acknowledges conditions existing within the County of San Luis Obispo and supports its proclamation of a local emergency; and

WHEREAS, that this situation warrants and necessitates that the City of Arroyo Grande proclaim the existence of a local emergency, and the Council is not in session and cannot immediately be called into session; and

WHEREAS, this Proclamation of Local Emergency will be ratified by the City Council within seven days of being issued.

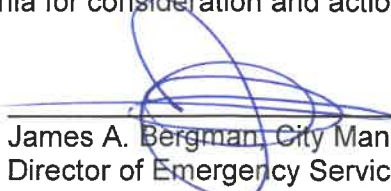
NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY PROCLAIMED by the Director of Emergency Services of the City of Arroyo Grande that a local emergency exists throughout the City, and that said emergency shall be deemed to continue to exist until its termination by the City Council.

IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED that during the existence of said local emergency the powers, functions, and duties of the emergency organization of this City shall be those prescribed by State law, ordinances, resolutions and approved emergency plans of the City.

IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED that a copy of this Proclamation of Local Emergency be forwarded to the San Luis Obispo County Office of Emergency Services and to the State Director of the Governor's Office of Emergency Services with a request that:

1. The State Director find the Proclamation of Local Emergency acceptable in accordance with provisions of the Emergency Services Act; and that
2. The State Director forward this Proclamation, and request for a Presidential Declaration of Emergency, to the Governor of California for consideration and action.

Date: March 17, 2020


James A. Bergman, City Manager,
Director of Emergency Services