COEUR D'ALENE CITY COUNCIL ADDENDUM AGENDA NO. 2 FOR THE MARCH 17, 2020 COUNCIL MEETING



Addition of the item F (2) – Declaration of Emergency as follows:

F: PRESENTATIONS

1. Coronavirus Update
Presented by: Lora Whalen, Panhandle Health District

2. Mayor's Declaration of Local Disaster Emergency (Action Item).

Resolution No. 20-021 of Local Disaster Emergency (Action Item).

Presented by: Mike Gridley, City Attorney

3. George Ives Recognition of Service

Presented by: Hilary Anderson, Community Planning Director

While we encourage the participation of citizens in local government, to ensure the safety of those who will be attending the City Council meeting on March 17, 2020, we want to remind citizens of alternative means of participation: Consider "attending" the meeting remotely by watching online on Facebook live or on Spectrum Cable Channel 1301.

If you wish to provide a public comment, you may submit written or oral testimony to the Clerk's office by emailing renata@cdaid.org or calling (208) 769-2231. Please note that comments must be received by 4:00 p.m. on March 17, 2020, in order to be distributed to the Council prior to the meeting start time. If you feel your participation in the meeting necessitates your attendance, please continue to take the precautions recommended by Panhandle Health District and the Centers for Disease Control. Which include, if you are experiencing any flu-like symptoms or have a fever, please do not attend out of respect for others. Rather, we encourage public participation via the Clerk's office by emailing renata@cdaid.org or calling (208) 769-2231.

NOTE: The City will make reasonable accommodations for anyone attending this meeting who require special assistance for hearing, physical or other impairments. Please contact the City Clerk at (208) 769-2231 at least 24 hours in advance of the meeting date and time.



DECLARATION OF

LOCAL DISASTER EMERGENCY

- **WHEREAS,** COVID-19 is a respiratory disease caused by the SARS-CoV-2 virus and is a novel strain of coronavirus that had not been previously identified in humans; and
- WHEREAS, COVID-19 can spread from person to person and can potentially result in serious illness or death, which thus creates an "emergency" as defined by Idaho Code § 46-1002; and
- WHEREAS, the CDC identifies the potential public health threat posed by COVID-19 both globally and in the United State as "high;" and
- **WHEREAS,** on March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization (WHO) made the assessment that COVID-19 can be characterized as a pandemic; and
- **WHEREAS,** on March 13, 2020, Idaho Governor Brad Little declared a statewide state of emergency due to COVID-19; and
- **WHEREAS**, on March 13, 2020, the President of the United States issued an emergency declaration for the country in response to the increasing number of COVID-19 cases within the U.S.; and
- WHEREAS, the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare and the Panhandle Health District issued recommendations for mass gatherings and public events in order to contain and slow the spread of COVID-19; and
- WHEREAS, a local disaster emergency may be declared by the Mayor pursuant to Idaho Code § 46-1011 and other relevant sections of Idaho Code; and
- WHEREAS, in accordance with Idaho Code, the effect of such declaration is to activate the recovery aspects of any and all applicable local or intergovernmental disaster emergency plans and to authorize the furnishing of aid and assistance thereunder; and

- WHEREAS, Idaho Code Section 46-1003 authorizes the City of Coeur d'Alene to: prevent and reduce damage, injury, and loss of life and property resulting from natural or manmade catastrophes; prepare assistance for prompt and efficient search, rescue, care, and treatment of persons injured, victimized or threatened by disaster; provide for rapid and orderly restoration and rehabilitation of person and property affected by disasters; and to work in cooperation of disaster prevention, preparedness, response and recovery agencies; and
- WHEREAS, the City of Coeur d'Alene desires to take action in order to be proactive and help reduce the spread of this virus, and encourages our community members and community businesses to do their part to prevent and limit the spreading of this virus; and
- WHEREAS, the public interest and necessity may demand the immediate expenditure of public money to secure materials, equipment, and services from private and public entities to provide disaster emergency relief and assistance to persons threatened, injured, or victimized by the unhealthy, unsafe, and unsustainable conditions of COVID-19; and
- WHEREAS, the public interest and necessity may demand the immediate modifications to processes, procedures, and fees of the City to provide disaster emergency relief and assistance to persons threatened, injured, or victimized by the unhealthy, unsafe, and unsustainable conditions of COVID-19; and
- WHEREAS, an emergency declaration must be filed with the Kootenai County Recorder's Office and "given prompt and general publicity."

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Steve Widmyer, Mayor of the City of Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, by virtue of the authority vested in me by Idaho Code Section 46-1011, do hereby find and, therefore, proclaim and declare that:

- 1. A local disaster emergency exists in the City of Coeur d'Alene and that all efforts shall be made to protect the citizens of the City of Coeur d'Alene through activation of all local disaster emergency plans, utilization of City of Coeur d'Alene and state emergency resources, and to do all things reasonably possible to assist those individuals threatened, injured, or victimized by COVID-19; and
- 2. To do everything reasonably possible to assist affected individuals and entities in an effort to respond to and recover from the outbreak.
- 3. To follow the recommendations of the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare and that of Panhandle Health District by postponing or canceling all City sponsored events meeting the following criteria:
 - a. The event will draw audiences or participants from communities, states, or countries with confirmed community spread of COVID-19 disease.

- b. The event will be held indoors and bring together more than 250 individuals where social distancing of 6 feet or more is unlikely or not possible.
- c. The event's primary audience includes or may expose high-risk populations, including adults over the age of 60 years and people with underlying chronic medical conditions like heart or lung disease or diabetes, regardless of the number of attendees.
- 4. To take immediate action and other reasonably necessary steps to prevent and limit the spreading of COVID-19.

The City of Coeur d'Alene recommends that the Public follow the same recommendations of the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare and that of Panhandle Health District by postponing or cancelling mass gatherings and public events that meet the criteria noted above.

This declaration shall remain in effect for a period of seven (7) days, unless extended pursuant to authorization of the Coeur d'Alene City Council in accordance with Idaho Code § 46-1011(1).

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand on this 17th day of March, 2020.

	Steve Widmyer, Mayor		
ATTEST:			

RESOLUTION NO. 20-021

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF COEUR D'ALENE, KOOTENAI COUNTY, IDAHO, FINDING THAT AN EMERGENCY EXISTS, PURSUANT TO TITLE 46, CHAPTER 10, IDAHO CODE, AND IDAHO CODE SECTION 67-2808; RATIFYING THE MAYOR'S OFFICIAL DECLARATION OF A LOCAL DISASTER EMERGENCY; AND EXTENDING THE DECLARATION FOR THIRTY (30) DAYS IN ACCORDANCE WITH IDAHO CODE SECTION 46-1011, IDAHO CODE.

WHEREAS, pursuant to the authority granted him by Idaho Code § 46-1011, the Mayor of the City of Coeur d'Alene declared a local disaster emergency as the result of the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor's declaration of a local disaster emergency is valid for a period not in excess of seven (7) days unless continued or renewed by the City Council; and

WHEREAS, it is deemed to be in the best interests of the City of Coeur d'Alene and its citizens that the declaration should be continued for a period of thirty (30) days from the date hereof;

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Coeur d'Alene that an emergency exists, as contemplated by Idaho Code §§ 46-1011 and 67-2808, and that the Mayor's declaration of local disaster emergency, signed on the 17th day of March, 2020, be, and the same hereby is, continued for a period of thirty (30) days; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and the City Administrator may take such action as they may deem lawful and prudent to address the emergency, to provide relief to the City's citizens, and to cooperate with other agencies in responding to the COVID-19 pandemic.

DATED this 17th day of March, 2020.

	Steve Widmyer, Mayor
ATTEST:	
Renata McLeod, City Clerk	

Motion by

, Seconded by

, to adopt the foregoing resolution.

ROLL CALL:

COUNCIL MEMBER WOOD

Voted

COUNCIL MEMBER MILLER

Voted

COUNCIL MEMBER GOOKIN

Voted

COUNCIL MEMBER EVANS

Voted

COUNCIL MEMBER MCEVERS

Voted

COUNCIL MEMBER ENGLISH

Voted

was absent. Motion