Emergency Declaration and Order 2020-01

Pursuant to Longmont Municipal Code, including section 2.20.120:

1. The City Manager has the authority to declare a disaster emergency in order to promote public safety, and protection of life and welfare within the City from the dangers created or increased by this emergency, and to facilitate emergency response; and

2. The City faces an imminent threat to life and public health resulting from the novel coronavirus and the resulting COVID-19 pandemic disease; and

3. The general type of Disaster Emergency with which the City of Longmont is currently confronted is a worldwide pandemic, in which the safety and welfare of the inhabitants of the City are jeopardized and placed at extreme peril and in which timely action to avert or minimize the risk to human life is critical.

Thus, the City Manager hereby declares a local disaster emergency pursuant to Longmont Municipal Code section 2.20.120 and Colorado Revised Statutes section 24-33.5-709, for the period commencing upon the date of signature and continuing for a period of seven days unless revoked in writing by the City Manager or extended by action of the Longmont City Council. This order applies within the City of Longmont and to all City property located outside of the City of Longmont. Because the risk to life, health, and safety is imminent, the City Manager is assuming all powers set forth under local, state, and federal laws, including Longmont Municipal Code sections 2.20.120 and 10.08.180. Pursuant to section 10.08.200 of the Longmont Municipal Code, it is unlawful, during this declared state of emergency, to knowingly fail to obey this order.

This is an emergent and developing emergency disaster, and all circumstances requiring emergency actions to promote public safety, and protection to life and welfare cannot be anticipated at this time. This Emergency Declaration and Order may be supplemented as circumstances and actions merit.

The Longmont City Clerk shall promptly file this declaration in her office and give it prompt and general publicity. This declaration shall continue for seven days unless canceled in writing. The Longmont City Council may, upon my request, consent to continuing it beyond that period.

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Harold Dominguez, City Manager