

**DECLARATION
CITY OF WEST LINN, OREGON**

WHEREAS, the City of West Linn has enacted a local Ordinance (West Linn Municipal Code Section 2.700 et seq.) pursuant to the authority granted by ORS Chapter 401 granting City Council to authority to declare a local state of emergency; and

WHEREAS, the following conditions have resulted in the need for a state of emergency:

On March 8, 2020, Governor Brown declared a statewide emergency due to COVID-19 under ORS 401.025(1) and requested all Oregonians to help in facing this challenge.

WHEREAS, the following damage to life and property can be expected from the above conditions:

COVID-19 is an emerging disease and requires a great deal of resources at the local level for response in order to keep the public informed and safe as possible. Resources related to contact tracing, disease investigation, community information and funding are expected to be exhausted.

WHEREAS, on January 31, 2020, the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services declared a public health emergency for the United States; and

WHEREAS, on March 2, 2020, Clackamas County, acting as an emergency management agency under ORS 401.305 and Clackamas County Code Chapter 6.03, declared a local state of emergency and declared emergency measures; and

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

WHEREAS, a declaration of state of emergency is necessary to ensure the City of West Linn has the appropriate resources to respond to COVID-19 public health emergency; and

WHEREAS, ORS 401.309 authorizes certain actions to be taken during a state of emergency when necessary for public safety or for the efficient conduct of activities to minimize or mitigate the effects of the emergency; and

WHEREAS, all local resources have, or will likely be, expended, and there is a need of the following additional resources from the State:

Assistance regarding consistent messages to the public and disease investigation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT DECLARED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST LINN:

1. A state of emergency is declared for the entire City of West Linn, effective on this 19th day of March, 2020, at 3:30 P.M.
2. Upon this declaration of a state of emergency, the City Manager is empowered to carry out the appropriate functions and duties identified in Municipal Code 2.700 *Emergency Planning* during times of emergency and shall implement the Emergency Operations Plan.
3. The City Manager shall take all necessary steps authorized by law to coordinate response and recovery from this emergency, including, but not limited to, requesting public assistance from United States of America federal government as authorized by the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, as Amended (Stafford Act), Title 42 of the United States Code (U.S.C.) § 5121 et seq., the State of Oregon and Clackamas County.
4. The following measures are necessary, or may become necessary as determined for public safety or for the efficient conduct of activities to minimize or mitigate the effects of the emergency:
 - Commit to mutual aid agreements;
 - Redirect funds for emergency use;
 - Order such other measures as are found to be immediately necessary for the protection of life and/or property.
5. This declaration shall expire on April 30, 2020, unless sooner terminated by the City Council, and may be extended in two-week increments, as long as the conditions of the public health emergency continue to exist.

DATED THIS 19 DAY OF MARCH, 2020.



RUSSELL B. AXELROD, MAYOR

ATTEST:


KATHY MOLLUSKY, CITY RECORDER

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


CITY ATTORNEY