City of Piedmont
COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

DATE: March 16, 2020

TO: Mayor and Council

FROM: Sara Lillevand, City Administrator

SUBJECT: Adopt a Resolution Ratifying Proclamation of Local Emergency by Director of Emergency Services

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RECOMMENDATION

Approve the attached resolution which ratifies the declaration of local emergency by the Director of Emergency Services.

BACKGROUND

On January 30, 2020, WHO declared the COVID-19 outbreak a public health emergency of international concern, and on January 31, 2020, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services declared a Public Health Emergency for the United States of America. The United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has determined that the virus presents a serious public health threat, requiring coordination among state and local health departments to ensure readiness for potential health threats associated with the virus.

On March 4, 2020, the City of Piedmont was notified that the Governor of the State of California declared a State of Emergency in order to address the global novel coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak. On March 5, 2020, the County Health Officer declared a local emergency which was ratified on March 6 by the Board of Supervisors for Alameda County. City staff has been following the status updates and recommendations provided by the California Department of Public Health and Alameda County Public Health Department. As of March 15, 2020, there have been 15 positively confirmed cases of COVID-19 in Alameda County.

On March 16, 2020, the Health Officer for the County issued an order requiring individuals to shelter in place at their residence, prohibited all public and private gatherings outside of a household, and only authorizing individuals to leave for essential activities (care of family members and pets, obtaining food, outdoor activities subject to social distancing), operate essential businesses and infrastructure, and undertake essential governmental functions. Travel is limited to accomplish these purposes.

On March 16, 2020, the City Administrator, acting in her capacity as Director of Emergency Services, proclaimed the existence of a local emergency (Attachment 2). The City Code provides that such a declaration triggers applicable provisions of City emergency plans and grants the Director of Emergency Services the powers specified in Section 5A.6 of the City Code, including emergency requisition and procurement, coordination with other emergency efforts, and emergency rulemaking authority where needed for the protection of public safety.

Under Government Code section 8630 and Chapter 5A of the Piedmont City Code, the City Administrator is designated as the City's Director of Emergency Services and is empowered to proclaim the existence or threatened existence of a local emergency where actual or threatened conditions of disaster or peril to safety, that are likely to be beyond the control of the services, personnel, equipment, and facilities of this city, requiring the combined forces of other political subdivisions to combat, including epidemics. Under Section 5A.6 of the City Code and Government Code section 8360, the City Council must take action to ratify the proclamation within seven days thereafter or the proclamation shall not no further force or effect.

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

The recommended action is exempt from CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15269(c) related to actions to prevent or mitigate an emergency, and also under the common sense exemption, in that CEQA only applies to projects that have a potential to cause a significant effect on the environment, and the acknowledgement of the existence conditions constituting a local emergency has no such potential.

FISCAL CONSIDERATIONS

No fiscal costs are anticipated due to this action; however, adoption of this resolution will facilitate the ability for the City to request resources including financial support and reimbursement from the State Office of Emergency Services (OES) and Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for costs incurred in preparation and/or response to the COVID-19 outbreak.

ATTACHMENTS:

Resolution
Proclamation by Director of Emergency Services
March 16, 2020 Shelter In Place Order from Alameda County Health Officer

RESOLUTION No. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PIEDMONT RATIFYING THE PROCLAMATION OF EXISTENCE OF A LOCAL EMERGENCY (NOVEL CORONAVIRUS "COVID-19") BY THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR IN HER CAPACITY AS DIRECTOR OF EMERGENCY SERVICES

WHEREAS, Government Code section 8630 and Chapter 5A *et seq*. of the Piedmont City Code empower the Director of Emergency Services to proclaim the existence or threatened existence of a local emergency when the City Council is not in session, subject to confirmation by the City Council at the earliest possible time; and

WHEREAS, the City Administrator is the Director of Emergency Services of the City of Piedmont; and

WHEREAS, on or about March 4, 2020, as part of the State of California's response to address the global COVID-19 outbreak, Governor Gavin Newsom declared a State of Emergency to make additional resources available, formalize emergency actions already underway across multiple state agencies and departments, and help the state prepare for broader spread of COVID-19 following one official COVID-19 death; and

WHEREAS, on March 5, 2020, the Alameda County Health Officer declared a Local Health Emergency pursuant to Health and Safety Code section 101080 based on the imminent and proximate threat to public health from the introduction of COVID-19 in Alameda County, which was ratified by the Board of Supervisors for Alameda County on March 6, 2020; and

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization ("WHO") characterized COVID-19 as a global pandemic and the number of cases will tragically continue to increase across the United States and globally; and

WHEREAS, on March 12, 2020, Governor Newsom issued Executive Order N 25-20, which provided that non-essential gatherings must be limited to no more than 250 people, while smaller events can proceed only if the organizers can implement social distancing of 6 feet per person. Gatherings of individuals who are at higher risk for severe illness from COVID-19 should be limited to no more than 10 people, while also following social distancing guidelines; and

WHEREAS, as of March 13, 2020, there are 1,629 confirmed cases of COVID-19 in the United States, including an estimated 224 reported cases of COVID-19 in California; and

WHEREAS, as of March 16, 2020, the Alameda County Health Officer issued an order requiring all persons to shelter in place at their residences, and prohibiting all non-essential gatherings and travel, only exempting essential activities, essential business operations and essential governmental functions; and

WHEREAS, in response to these developments, the City Administrator in her capacity as the City's Director of Emergency Services has proclaimed the existence of a local emergency;

WHEREAS, as contemplated in the Emergency Service Act contained in Government Code Section 8550 et seq., including Section 8558(c), a local emergency exists because of the existence of conditions of disaster or of extreme peril to the safety of persons and property within the City of Piedmont caused by the aforesaid conditions which are likely beyond the control of the services, personnel, equipment, and facilities of the City and require the combined forces of other political subdivisions to combat, and the declaration of a local emergency shall enable the City of Piedmont and other local government entities to adequately plan, prepare and secure resources to be able to effectively respond to the threat posed by COVID-19;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PIEDMONT AS FOLLOWS:

1. The proclamation of existence of a local emergency, as issued by the City Administrator in her capacity as the Director of Emergency Services, is hereby ratified; and
2. In accordance with Government Code section 8360 and the Governor's March 4, 2020 Order, this local emergency shall be deemed to continue to exist until its termination is proclaimed by the City Council of the City of Piedmont, and it shall be terminated at the earliest possible date that conditions warrant.

I certify that the foregoing resolution was passed and adopted at a regular meeting of the Piedmont City Council on March 16, 2020 by the following vote:

Ayes:
Noes:
Absent/Abstain:

Attest:_____
John O. Tulloch, City Clerk
Lisa Argue, Deputy City Clerk

PROCLAMATION OF LOCAL EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, Government Code section 8630 and Chapter 5A *et seq.* of the Piedmont City Code empower the Director of Emergency Services to proclaim the existence or threatened existence of a local emergency when the City Council is not in session, subject to confirmation by the City Council at the earliest possible time; and

WHEREAS, the City Administrator is the Director of Emergency Services of the City of Piedmont; and

WHEREAS, on March 1, 2020, the Alameda County Health Officer declared a Local Health Emergency pursuant to Health and Safety Code section 101080 based on the imminent and proximate threat to public health from the introduction of COVID-19 in Alameda County; and

WHEREAS, on or about March 4, 2020, as part of the State of California's response to address the global COVID-19 outbreak, Governor Gavin Newsom declared a State of Emergency to make additional resources available, formalize emergency actions already underway across multiple state agencies and departments, and help the state prepare for broader spread of COVID-19 following one official COVID-19 death; and

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization ("WHO") characterized COVID-19 as a global pandemic and the number of cases will tragically continue to increase across the United States and globally; and

WHEREAS, on March 12, 2020, Governor Newsom issued Executive Order N 25-20, which provided that non-essential gatherings must be limited to no more than 250 people, while smaller events can proceed only if the organizers can implement social distancing of 6 feet per person. Gatherings of individuals who are at higher risk for severe illness from COVID-19 should be limited to no more than 10 people, while also following social distancing guidelines; and

WHEREAS, as of March 16, 2020, 3:33 PM there are 4,464 confirmed cases of COVID-19 in the United States, including an estimated 530 reported cases of COVID-19 in California; and

NOW, THEREFORE, the Director of Emergency Services finds that:

A. The United States of America has confirmed cases of individuals who have a severe acute respiratory illness caused by a novel (new) coronavirus ("COVID-19" or "the virus") first detected in Wuhan, Hubei Province, People's Republic of China ("China"). The virus was first reported in China on December 31, 2019.
B. WHO officials now report that sustained human-to-human transmission of the virus is occurring. Transmission from asymptomatic individuals has been documented. Suspected community transmission of the virus is occurring in the United States.

C. Although the majority of individuals infected with COVID-19 recover from the disease without special treatment, there is significant potential for serious infection and death; and
D. On January 30, 2020, WHO declared the COVID-19 outbreak a public health emergency of international concern, and on January 31, 2020, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services declared a Public Health Emergency for the United States of America; and
E. The United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention ("CDC") has determined that the virus presents a serious public health threat, requiring coordination among state and local health departments to ensure readiness for potential health threats associated with the virus; and
F. The County's Public Health Officer has found that the conditions constituting a threat to community health, including a presumptive case of community infection, may be present in the County warranting a proclamation of a Local Health Emergency; and
G. Conditions of extreme peril to the safety of persons and property have arisen within the City caused by the threat of COVID-19 that will impact significant City and community operations, including critical public infrastructure and services, and which will require the provision of additional public safety and emergency services; and
H. As contemplated in the Emergency Service Act contained in Government Code Section 8550 et seq., including Section 8558(c) and as defined in PMC 4-2.02, a local emergency exists because of the existence of conditions of disaster or of extreme peril to the safety of persons and property within the City of Piedmont caused by the aforesaid conditions and necessitate the proclamation of a Local Emergency to enable the City of Piedmont and other local government entities to adequately plan, prepare and secure resources to be able to effectively respond to the threat posed by COVID-19, and to warn City of Piedmont residents and visitors of the threat posed by COVID-19 and to enable them sufficient time to plan and prepare; and
I. At the time of this proclamation, the City Council is not in session (and cannot immediately be called into session).

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY PROCLAIMED that a local emergency exists in accordance with the findings set forth above, commencing on or about the time and date of the signature of the Director of Emergency Services below.

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

IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED that this local emergency shall continue to exist until ratified by the City Council. The City Council shall terminate the local emergency at the earliest possible date that conditions warrant.

IT IS REQUESTED that the Governor of the State of California include the City of Piedmont in any emergency declaration by the State; ensure the City of Piedmont is included in any emergency declaration that may be issued by the President of the United States of America; waive regulations that may hinder response and recovery

efforts; and make available California Disaster Act and State Private Nonprofit Organizations Assistance Program Funding.

Date and time: 16 March 2020
5:24 pm

By: _____
Sara Lillevand, Director of Emergency Services

ATTEST:
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Lisa Argue, Deputy City Clerk

ORDER OF THE HEALTH OFFICER OF THE COUNTY OF ALAMEDA DIRECTING ALL INDIVIDUALS LIVING IN THE COUNTY TO SHELTER AT THEIR PLACE OF RESIDENCE EXCEPT THAT THEY MAY LEAVE TO PROVIDE OR RECEIVE CERTAIN ESSENTIAL SERVICES OR ENGAGE IN CERTAIN ESSENTIAL ACTIVITIES AND WORK FOR ESSENTIAL BUSINESSES AND GOVERNMENTAL SERVICES; EXEMPTING INDIVIDUALS EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS FROM THE SHELTER IN PLACE ORDER BUT URGING THEM TO FIND SHELTER AND GOVERNMENT AGENCIES TO PROVIDE IT; DIRECTING ALL BUSINESSES AND GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES TO CEASE NON-ESSENTIAL OPERATIONS AT PHYSICAL LOCATIONS IN THE COUNTY; PROHIBITING ALL NON-ESSENTIAL GATHERINGS OF ANY NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS; AND ORDERING CESSATION OF ALL NON-ESSENTIAL TRAVEL

DATE OF ORDER: MARCH 16, 2020

Please read this Order carefully. Violation of or failure to comply with this Order is a misdemeanor punishable by fine, imprisonment, or both. (California Health and Safety Code § 120295, *et seq.*)

UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF CALIFORNIA HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE SECTIONS 101040, 101085, AND 120175, THE HEALTH OFFICER OF THE COUNTY OF ALAMEDA ("HEALTH OFFICER") ORDERS:

1. The intent of this Order is to ensure that the maximum number of people self-isolate in their places of residence to the maximum extent feasible, while enabling essential services to continue, to slow the spread of COVID-19 to the maximum extent possible. When people need to leave their places of residence, whether to obtain or perform vital services, or to otherwise facilitate authorized activities necessary for continuity of social and commercial life, they should at all times reasonably possible comply with Social Distancing Requirements as defined in Section 10 below. All provisions of this Order should be interpreted to effectuate this intent. Failure to comply with any of the provisions of this Order constitutes an imminent threat to public health.

2. All individuals currently living within the County of Alameda (the "County") are ordered to shelter at their place of residence. To the extent individuals are using shared or outdoor spaces, they must at all times as reasonably possible maintain social distancing of at least six feet from any other person when they are outside their residence. All persons may leave their residences only for Essential Activities, Essential Governmental Functions, or to operate Essential Businesses, all as defined in Section 10. Individuals

experiencing homelessness are exempt from this Section, but are strongly urged to obtain shelter, and governmental and other entities are strongly urged to make such shelter available as soon as possible and to the maximum extent practicable (and to utilize Social Distancing Requirements in their operation).

3. All businesses with a facility in the County, except Essential Businesses as defined below in Section 10, are required to cease all activities at facilities located within the County except Minimum Basic Operations, as defined in Section 10. For clarity, businesses may also continue operations consisting exclusively of employees or contractors performing activities at their own residences (i.e., working from home). All Essential Businesses are strongly encouraged to remain open. To the greatest extent feasible, Essential Businesses shall comply with Social Distancing Requirements as defined in Section 10 below, including, but not limited to, when any customers are standing in line.

4. All public and private gatherings of any number of people occurring outside a household or living unit are prohibited, except for the limited purposes as expressly permitted in Section 10. Nothing in this Order prohibits the gathering of members of a household or living unit.

5. All travel, including, but not limited to, travel on foot, bicycle, scooter, motorcycle, automobile, or public transit, except Essential Travel and Essential Activities as defined below in Section 10, is prohibited. People must use public transit only for purposes of performing Essential Activities or to travel to and from work to operate Essential Businesses or maintain Essential Governmental Functions. People riding on public transit must comply with Social Distancing Requirements as defined in Section 10 below, to the greatest extent feasible. This Order allows travel into or out of the County to perform Essential Activities, operate Essential Businesses, or maintain Essential Governmental Functions.

6. This Order is issued based on evidence of increasing occurrence of COVID-19 within the County and throughout the Bay Area, scientific evidence and best practices regarding the most effective approaches to slow the transmission of communicable diseases generally and COVID-19 specifically, and evidence that the age, condition, and health of a significant portion of the population of the County places it at risk for serious health complications, including death, from COVID-19. Due to the outbreak of the COVID-19 virus in the general public, which is now a pandemic according to the World Health Organization, there is a public health emergency throughout the County. Making the problem worse, some individuals who contract the COVID-19 virus have no symptoms or have mild symptoms, which means they may not be aware they carry the virus. Because even people without symptoms can transmit the disease, and because evidence shows the disease is easily spread, gatherings can result in preventable transmission of the virus. The scientific evidence shows that at this stage of the emergency, it is essential to slow virus transmission as much as possible to protect the most vulnerable and to prevent the health care system from being overwhelmed. One proven way to slow the transmission is to limit interactions among people to the greatest extent practicable. By

reducing the spread of the COVID-19 virus, this Order helps preserve critical and limited healthcare capacity in the County.

7. This Order also is issued in light of the existence of 15 cases of COVID-19 in the County, as well as at least 258 confirmed cases and at least three deaths in the seven Bay Area jurisdictions jointly issuing this Order, as of 5 p.m. on March 15, 2020, including a significant and increasing number of suspected cases of community transmission and likely further significant increases in transmission. Widespread testing for COVID-19 is not yet available but is expected to increase in the coming days. This Order is necessary to slow the rate of spread and the Health Officer will re-evaluate it as further data becomes available.

8. This Order is issued in accordance with, and incorporates by reference, the March 4, 2020 Proclamation of a State of Emergency issued by Governor Gavin Newsom, the Declarations of Local Health Emergency issued by the Health Officer on March 1 and 5, the March 10, 2020 Resolution of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Alameda Ratifying the Declarations of Local Health Emergency, and Governor Newsom's March 12, 2020 Executive Order N-25-20.

9. This Order comes after the release of substantial guidance from the County Health Officer, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the California Department of Public Health, and other public health officials throughout the United States and around the world, including a variety of prior orders to combat the spread and harms of COVID-19. The Health Officer will continue to assess the quickly evolving situation and may modify or extend this Order, or issue additional Orders, related to COVID-19.

10. <u>Definitions and Exemptions</u>.

    a. For purposes of this Order, individuals may leave their residence only to perform any of the following "Essential Activities." But people at high risk of severe illness from COVID-19 and people who are sick are urged to stay in their residence to the extent possible except as necessary to seek medical care.
        i. To engage in activities or perform tasks essential to their health and safety, or to the health and safety of their family or household members (including, but not limited to, pets), such as, by way of example only and without limitation, obtaining medical supplies or medication, visiting a health care professional, or obtaining supplies they need to work from home.
        ii. To obtain necessary services or supplies for themselves and their family or household members, or to deliver those services or supplies to others, such as, by way of example only and without limitation, canned food, dry goods, fresh fruits and vegetables, pet supply, fresh meats, fish, and poultry, and any other household consumer products, and products necessary to maintain the safety, sanitation, and essential operation of residences.

iii. To engage in outdoor activity, provided the individuals comply with Social Distancing Requirements as defined in this Section, such as, by way of example and without limitation, walking, hiking, or running.
iv. To perform work providing essential products and services at an Essential Business or to otherwise carry out activities specifically permitted in this Order, including Minimum Basic Operations.
v. To care for a family member or pet in another household.

b. For purposes of this Order, individuals may leave their residence to work for or obtain services at any "Healthcare Operations" including hospitals, clinics, dentists, pharmacies, pharmaceutical and biotechnology companies, other healthcare facilities, healthcare suppliers, home healthcare services providers, mental health providers, or any related and/or ancillary healthcare services. "Healthcare Operations" also includes veterinary care and all healthcare services provided to animals. This exemption shall be construed broadly to avoid any impacts to the delivery of healthcare, broadly defined. "Healthcare Operations" does not include fitness and exercise gyms and similar facilities.

c. For purposes of this Order, individuals may leave their residence to provide any services or perform any work necessary to the operations and maintenance of "Essential Infrastructure," including, but not limited to, public works construction, construction of housing (in particular affordable housing or housing for individuals experiencing homelessness), airport operations, water, sewer, gas, electrical, oil refining, roads and highways, public transportation, solid waste collection and removal, internet, and telecommunications systems (including the provision of essential global, national, and local infrastructure for computing services, business infrastructure, communications, and web-based services), provided that they carry out those services or that work in compliance with Social Distancing Requirements as defined this Section, to the extent possible.

d. For purposes of this Order, all first responders, emergency management personnel, emergency dispatchers, court personnel, and law enforcement personnel, and others who need to perform essential services are categorically exempt from this Order. Further, nothing in this Order shall prohibit any individual from performing or accessing "Essential Governmental Functions," as determined by the governmental entity performing those functions. Each governmental entity shall identify and designate appropriate employees or contractors to continue providing and carrying out any Essential Governmental Functions. All Essential Governmental Functions shall be performed in compliance with Social Distancing Requirements as defined in this Section, to the extent possible.

e. For the purposes of this Order, covered businesses include any for-profit, non-profit, or educational entities, regardless of the nature of the service, the function they perform, or its corporate or entity structure.

f. For the purposes of this Order, "Essential Businesses" means:
   i. Healthcare Operations and Essential Infrastructure;
   ii. Grocery stores, certified farmers' markets, farm and produce stands, supermarkets, food banks, convenience stores, and other establishments engaged in the retail sale of canned food, dry goods, fresh fruits and vegetables, pet supply, fresh meats, fish, and poultry, and any other household consumer products (such as cleaning and personal care products). This includes stores that sell groceries and also sell other non-grocery products, and products necessary to maintaining the safety, sanitation, and essential operation of residences;
   iii. Food cultivation, including farming, livestock, and fishing;
   iv. Businesses that provide food, shelter, and social services, and other necessities of life for economically disadvantaged or otherwise needy individuals;
   v. Newspapers, television, radio, and other media services;
   vi. Gas stations and auto-supply, auto-repair, and related facilities;
   vii. Banks and related financial institutions;
   viii. Hardware stores;
   ix. Plumbers, electricians, exterminators, and other service providers who provide services that are necessary to maintaining the safety, sanitation, and essential operation of residences, Essential Activities, and Essential Businesses;
   x. Businesses providing mailing and shipping services, including post office boxes;
   xi. Educational institutions—including public and private K-12 schools, colleges, and universities—for purposes of facilitating distance learning or performing essential functions, provided that social distancing of six-feet per person is maintained to the greatest extent possible;
   xii. Laundromats, drycleaners, and laundry service providers;
   xiii. Restaurants and other facilities that prepare and serve food, but only for delivery or carry out. Schools and other entities that typically provide free food services to students or members of the public may continue to do so under this Order on the condition that the food is provided to students or members of the public on a pick-up and take-away basis only. Schools and other entities that provide food services under this exemption shall not permit the food to be eaten at the site where it is provided, or at any other gathering site;
   xiv. Businesses that supply products needed for people to work from home;
   xv. Businesses that supply other essential businesses with the support or supplies necessary to operate;
   xvi. Businesses that ship or deliver groceries, food, goods or services directly to residences;

xvii. Airlines, taxis, and other private transportation providers providing transportation services necessary for Essential Activities and other purposes expressly authorized in this Order;
xviii. Home-based care for seniors, adults, or children;
xix. Residential facilities and shelters for seniors, adults, and children;
xx. Professional services, such as legal or accounting services, when necessary to assist in compliance with legally mandated activities;
xxi. Childcare facilities providing services that enable employees exempted in this Order to work as permitted. To the extent possible, childcare facilities must operate under the following mandatory conditions:
    1. Childcare must be carried out in stable groups of 12 or fewer ("stable" means that the same 12 or fewer children are in the same group each day).
    2. Children shall not change from one group to another.
    3. If more than one group of children is cared for at one facility, each group shall be in a separate room. Groups shall not mix with each other.
    4. Childcare providers shall remain solely with one group of children.

g. For the purposes of this Order, "Minimum Basic Operations" include the following, provided that employees comply with Social Distancing Requirements as defined this Section, to the extent possible, while carrying out such operations:
    i. The minimum necessary activities to maintain the value of the business's inventory, ensure security, process payroll and employee benefits, or for related functions.
    ii. The minimum necessary activities to facilitate employees of the business being able to continue to work remotely from their residences.

h. For the purposes of this Order, "Essential Travel" includes travel for any of the following purposes. Individuals engaged in any Essential Travel must comply with all Social Distancing Requirements as defined in this Section below.
    i. Any travel related to the provision of or access to Essential Activities, Essential Governmental Functions, Essential Businesses, or Minimum Basic Operations.
    ii. Travel to care for elderly, minors, dependents, persons with disabilities, or other vulnerable persons.
    iii. Travel to or from educational institutions for purposes of receiving materials for distance learning, for receiving meals, and any other related services.
    iv. Travel to return to a place of residence from outside the jurisdiction.
    v. Travel required by law enforcement or court order.
    vi. Travel required for non-residents to return to their place of residence outside the County. Individuals are strongly encouraged to verify that their transportation out of the County remains available and functional prior to commencing such travel.

i. For purposes of this Order, residences include hotels, motels, shared rental units and similar facilities.

j. For purposes of this Order, "Social Distancing Requirements" includes maintaining at least six-foot social distancing from other individuals, washing hands with soap and water for at least twenty seconds as frequently as possible or using hand sanitizer, covering coughs or sneezes (into the sleeve or elbow, not hands), regularly cleaning high-touch surfaces, and not shaking hands.

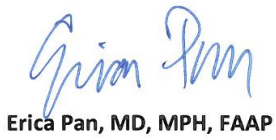
11. Pursuant to Government Code sections 26602 and 41601 and Health and Safety Code section 101029, the Health Officer requests that the Sheriff and all chiefs of police in the County ensure compliance with and enforce this Order. The violation of any provision of this Order constitutes an imminent threat to public health.

12. This Order shall become effective at 12:01 a.m. on March 17, 2020 and will continue to be in effect until 11:59 p.m. on April 7, 2020, or until it is extended, rescinded, superseded, or amended in writing by the Health Officer.

13. Copies of this Order shall promptly be: (1) made available at the County Administration Building at 1225 Oak Street, Oakland, California 94612; (2) posted on the County Public Health Department's website (acphd.org); and (3) provided to any member of the public requesting a copy of this Order.

14. If any provision of this Order to the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held to be invalid, the reminder of the Order, including the application of such part or provision to other persons or circumstances, shall not be affected and shall continue in full force and effect. To this end, the provisions of this Order are severable.

IT IS SO ORDERED:



Dr. Erica Pan
Interim Health Officer of the County of Alameda

Dated: March 16, 2020