

RESOLUTION NO. 12 , 2020

A RESOLUTION DECLARING A STATE OF EMERGENCY IN THE CITY OF MONTGOMERY DUE TO THE COVID-19 (CORONA VIRUS) OUTBREAK

WHEREAS, there has been an outbreak of Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) across the United States of America and in the State of Ohio; and

WHEREAS, there have been multiple confirmed cases of COVID-19 across the State of Ohio; and

WHEREAS, the President of the United States Donald J. Trump has declared a national State of Emergency and the Governor of the State of Ohio, Michael DeWine, has declared a State of Emergency in Ohio (Executive Order 2020-01D) which, among other restrictions, has closed all schools in the State of Ohio and limits large indoor gatherings; and

WHEREAS, Governor DeWine's Declaration follows the Center of Disease Control and Prevention "Interim Guidance," recommending that all employers consider how best to decrease the spread of COVID-19, including the review of guidance from state and local health officials; and

WHEREAS, there is an urgent and immediate need to take emergency measures to maintain essential municipal operations, protect lives, homes, and property, and to ensure that basic needs of City residents are met.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Montgomery, Hamilton County, Ohio, that:

SECTION 1 The City Council hereby declares that a State of Emergency exists in the City of Montgomery, and invokes and declares those portions of the Ohio Revised Code which are applicable to the conditions, and which have caused the issuance of this Resolution, to be in full force and effect in the City of Montgomery for the exercise of all necessary emergency authority for the protection of the lives and property of the people of the City of Montgomery and the restoration of local government with minimal interruption.

SECTION 2. Any and all powers to be exercised by the City, and specifically the Mayor and City Manager, as authorized by Ohio Revised Code Chapter 5502 are permitted by passage of this Resolution and are incorporated herein by reference.

SECTION 3. The City Council finds that as a result of the spread of COVID-19, pursuant to R.C. 735.051 a real and present emergency exists in the City of Montgomery affecting the public health and safety of residents necessitating the purchase and acquisition of certain items and services by the City Manager to

maintain essential municipal operations and deal with the present emergency without the requirement for competitive bidding, advertising and the pre-authorization of City Council. Such purchases are authorized in an amount not to exceed \$100,000.

SECTION 4. The Mayor of the City of Montgomery is hereby authorized to take any and all steps necessary to maintain order and control in the City for the well-being, health and safety of residents.

SECTION 5. The City Manager is hereby authorized to contract with such state and federal agencies as may be available to provide disaster assistance and relief to the citizens and the City of Montgomery, during this present emergency and during the recovery from this pandemic

SECTION 6. All public offices and employees of the City of Montgomery are hereby directed to exercise the utmost diligence in the discharge of duties required of them for the duration of the emergency and in the execution of emergency laws, regulations, and directives, federal, state and local.

SECTION 7. All citizens are called upon and directed to comply with necessary emergency measures to cooperate with public officials and emergency services personnel in executing emergency operational plans, and to obey and comply with the lawful direction of properly identified emergency services personnel.

SECTION 8. All operating forces and residents affected by such conditions should direct their communications and requests for assistance and operations directly to the City Manager.

SECTION 9. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

PASSED: MARCH 21ST, 2020

ATTEST: Connie M. Gaylor
Connie M. Gaylor, Clerk of Council

Christopher P. Dobrozsi
Christopher P. Dobrozsi, Mayor

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