

CITY OF TROUTDALE

Declaration of Emergency (EXTENSION)

COVID 19 – March 2020

Casey Ryan, the Mayor of the City of Troutdale, under the authority granted him by Troutdale Municipal Code Section 2.28, finds that:

The following conditions have resulted in the need for a citywide state of emergency declaration:

- 1. COVID-19 (Coronavirus) was declared a pandemic by the World Health Organization on March 11, 2020.
- 2. On March 8, 2020, Governor Kate Brown declared a state of emergency due to the COVID-19 outbreak in Oregon (Executive Order No. 20-03), finding that COVID-19 has created a threat to public health and safety, and constitutes a statewide emergency under ORS 401.025(1).
- 3. On March 13, 2020, President Donald J. Trump declared a national state of emergency due to the COVID-19 outbreak across the United States of America finding that COVID-19 has created a threat to public health and safety, and constitutes a nationwide emergency.
- 4. On March 16th, 2020 I declared a citywide state of emergency due to the COVID-19 outbreak across the City finding that COVID-19 has created a threat to public health and safety, and constitutes a citywide emergency.
- 5. Coronavirus are a group of viruses that can cause respiratory disease, with the potential to cause serious illness or loss of life for individuals with underlying health conditions and meets the definition of an "epidemic".
- 6. COVID-19 requires a significant amount of resources at the local level to keep the public and community informed and as safe as possible.
- 7. The unknown duration of the COVID-19 Pandemic will have significant financial impact to the community and its businesses.

- 8. The City is in imminent danger of suffering an event that may cause injury or death to persons, or damage to, or the destruction of property to the extent that extraordinary measures must be taken to protect the public health, safety and welfare as a result of the COVID-19 epidemic.
- 9. Pursuant to TMC 2.28, if the Mayor determines that a state of emergency exists, and the Mayor shall make a declaration to that effect and so inform the public.
- 10. The citywide emergency described above is continuing and pursuant to the Troutdale Municipal Code I am extending this declaration for an additional two weeks.

Now, therefore, I declare as follows:

<u>Section 1.</u> A State of Emergency is declared to exist throughout the City of Troutdale, and is continuing to endanger the citizens, as defined under TMC 2.28.

<u>Section 2.</u> All necessary city funds shall be redirected for emergency use, and standard city procurement procedures shall be suspended for any contract or purchase necessary to combat the COVID-19 Pandemic.

<u>Section 3.</u> All non-essential city commissions, committees, task forces and city events are cancelled until April 14th, 2020

<u>Section 4.</u> I further declare that the City Manager will continue to manage the City functions as usual and may take all necessary steps authorized by law to coordinate the response of this emergency, including but not limited to requesting assistance from the State of Oregon and Multnomah County. For the safety of City employees, the City Manager may also issue emergency rules or guidance on the use of sick time, teleworking, and other employee policies that shall be in effect during the pendency of this emergency.

<u>Section 5.</u> I further declare that any and all businesses in the City of Troutdale adversely impacted by the epidemic shall be entitled to request any and all applicable local, state and federal assistance to help them remain viable during the emergency.

<u>Section 6.</u> I further declare that no residential or commercial/business city utility service shall be subject to disconnect or loss of service due to any non-payment or delinquency during the next 90 days. All businesses coded as "commercial" shall also have their sewer bill reduced by 50% for 3 months, beginning with March 2020 usage billing. For this 90-day time period no late fees or interest shall accrue on residential and commercial/business utility bills on amounts that became first due after the initial Declaration of Emergency.

<u>Section 7.</u> In accordance with the Governor's Executive Order dated March 22, 2020, and the Chief Justice of the Oregon Supreme Court's Order Dated March 27th, 2020, as they relate to evictions of tenants, residential and commercial, no City of Troutdale tenant shall be evicted from their residence for non-payment of rent or "no-cause" eviction during the term of this Emergency Declaration. More information is available from the courts and Governor's office.

<u>Section 8.</u> This Declaration of State of Emergency extension is effective immediately and shall remain in effect until April 13th, 2020 but may be extended in two-week increments.

Dated this 30^{th} day of March 2020

Casey Ryan, Mayor