CITY OF CORDOVA, ALASKA RESOLUTION 05-20-23

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CORDOVA, ALASKA ADOPTING RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE INCIDENT MANAGEMENT TEAM MEDICAL UNIT OF MEDICAL DIRECTORS CONFIRMING IMPLEMENTATION OF PHASES THREE AND FOUR OF THE STATE "REOPEN ALASKA RESPONSIBLY PLAN" EFFECTIVE MAY 28, 2020 WITHIN CITY BOUNDARIES SO LONG AS THE CITY TEMPORARY EMERGENCY COVID-19 RULES REMAIN IN EFFECT AND RATIFYING AMENDMENT TO EMERGENCY RULE 15 FACIAL COVERINGS AS IN EMERGENCY ORDER 2020-08

WHEREAS, Rule 17 of the Cordova Temporary COVID-19 Emergency Rules requires the Incident Management Team Medical Unit of Medical Directors ("Cordova Medical Team") to review any revision or repeal of State Public Health Mandates before the repeal or revision of a State of Alaska health mandate becomes effective within the City; and

WHEREAS, Rule 17 also requires the Cordova Medical Team to submit its recommendations regarding repeals and revisions to State Mandates to City Council so Council has the opportunity to delay the effective date of any repeal or revision to State Mandate within the City if doing so is necessary to protect public health and safety; and

WHEREAS, the Cordova Medical Team recommended that the City implement "Phases 3 and 4" of the State Plan effective June 1, 2020 so long as the City COVID-19 Temporary Emergency Rules remain in effect; and

WHEREAS, with the opening of a variety of business types in Cordova, the facial coverings rule requires an amendment for ease of compliance.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of Cordova, Alaska, hereby:

<u>Section 1</u>. Adopts the recommendations of the Cordova Medical Team as identified in the Cordova Medical Team recommendation letter attached to this Resolution as Exhibit A.

<u>Section 2</u>. Ratifies Emergency Order 2020-08 attached to this Resolution as Exhibit B amending Rule 15 Facial Coverings.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 27th DAY OF MAY 2020.

ATTEST:

Susan Bourgeois, CMC, City Clerk

EMERGENCY ORDER 2020-08

AN EMERGENCY ORDER REVISING CORDOVA EMERGENCY COVID-19 RULE 15 ENTITLED "FACIAL COVERINGS" TO PERMIT FACIAL COVERINGS TO BE REMOVED IN ORDER TO EAT, DRINK OR RECEIVE SERVICES PERMITTED UNDER STATE OF ALASKA PUBLIC HEALTH MANDATE

WHEREAS, the City Incident Management Team has examined the State of Alaska Phases 3 and 4 of the "Reopen Alaska Responsibly" Plan implemented by Governor Dunleavy (the "State Plan"); and

WHEREAS, the Incident Management Team Medical Unit of Medical Directors ("Cordova Medical Team") does not object to the implementation of State Plan Phases 3 and 4 but reiterated the effectiveness of facial coverings in reducing transmission of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, Phases 3 and 4 of the State Plan permits individuals to engage in activities such as eating and drinking socially or receiving aesthetic services that cannot be easily undertaken while wearing a facial covering,

<u>Section 1. Amendment to COVID-19 Emergency Rule 15</u>. City Manager Helen Howarth, in collaboration with Mayor Clay Koplin and Cordova's Emergency Operations Center, hereby amends the City's Emergency COVID-19 Rules as follows (new language highlighted and bolded):

Rule 15. Facial Coverings. Except as otherwise provided in this rule, aAll individuals in Cordova must wear a mask, bandanna or other type of cloth protective covering over their nose and mouth when entering a building open to the public, in the harbor on docks and ramps, when pumping gas or using gas station amenities, and in any other settings where social distancing from another individual of at least six feet is not possible. Individuals under the age of four, individuals with trouble breathing, and individuals with a medical condition that prevents them from wearing a facial covering are exempt from this rule. Facial coverings need not be worn in the following circumstances:

- 1. An individual is alone or within six feet of only members of his or her household
- 2. An individual is eating or drinking in compliance with State of Alaska public health mandates
- 3. An individual is receiving lawful services that cannot be adequately performed while the service provider or the recipient is wearing a mask.

All individuals alone in a space requiring facial coverings under this rule are not required to wear a covering unless and until another person outside that person's household arrives at their location.

Exhibit B to Resolution 05-20-23

<u>Section 2</u>. All the Emergency COVID-19 Rules shall remain in effect until repealed by City Council or the City Manager. In the event the declared state of emergency is repealed, the rules will automatically terminate on the effective date of that repeal.

<u>Section 3</u>. This Emergency Order 2020-08 and the revisions to Rule 15 adopted within it shall be effective at 8:00am on May 28, 2020. This Order shall be posted on the City website and the City Clerk shall provide City Council members notice of this Emergency Order 2020-08 and the revisions to the COVID-19 Emergency Rules within five (5) days of their adoption.

Date	Helen Howarth
	City Manager