## CITY OF CORDOVA, ALASKA RESOLUTION 05-21-26

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CORDOVA, ALASKA APPROVING EMERGENCY ORDER 2021-01, THEREBY EXTENDING THE CITY'S DECLARATION OF A LOCAL EMERGENCY ARISING FROM COVID-19 AND REPEALING AND RENUMBERING THE CITY'S COVID-19 EMERGENCY RULES

**WHEREAS**, the United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention ("CDC") has identified COVID-19 as a significant public health risk; and

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

**WHEREAS**, in response to the COVID-19 outbreak, the City of Cordova has been operating under applicable Declarations of a Local Emergency, which remain in effect until June 9, 2021, unless repealed by City Council; and

WHEREAS, in response to the COVID-19 outbreak, the State of Alaska had also been operating under applicable Declarations of Public Health Disaster Emergency signed by the Governor of the State of Alaska, Mike Dunleavy, pursuant to and in accordance with the authority granted under Alaska Statute 26.23.020(c), between March 11, 2020, and April 30, 2021; and

**WHEREAS**, the Governor of the State of Alaska, Mike Dunleavy, pursuant to and in accordance with the authority granted by the Alaska State Legislature in House Bill 76, Chapter No. 2, SLA 2021, which ratified the January 14, 2021 Declaration of Public Health Disaster Emergency, proclaimed the immediate end of the applicable Declaration of Public Health Disaster Emergency effective April 30, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of the State of Alaska, Department of Health and Social Services, Adam Crum, pursuant to and in accordance with the authority granted by the Alaska State Legislature in House Bill 76, Chapter No. 2, SLA 2021, declared a Public Health Emergency effective at 12:02 a.m. on May 1, 2021, which shall remain in effect until rescinded or until the federal public health emergency issued under Section 319 of the Public Health Services Act expires, whichever is sooner; and

**WHEREAS**, the local emergency continues and has continued since City Council retroactively approved Emergency Order 2020-10, renewing, and extending the City's declaration of emergency until June 9, 2021, which was put into effect by City Manager Helen Howarth on December 30, 2020; and

**WHEREAS**, the City continues to be in a state of emergency but is making efforts to ensure that business operations are able to resume as quickly as responsible in light of the COVID-19 outbreak within the State of Alaska and the City; and

**WHEREAS**, the City is eagerly moving toward recovery but wants to ensure that the City has the necessary authority to adopt rules, policies, and procedures to mitigate the harms posed by COVID-19 and to seek and qualify for assistance of funding from federal, state, or private entities dedicated to combating emergency needs arising from COVID-19.

#### NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

**Section 1.** Emergency Declaration Extension. City Council hereby approves Emergency Order 2021-01, extending the City's declaration of emergency until August 18, 2021.

**Section 2.** Repeal and Renumbering of Emergency Rules. City Council approval of Emergency Order 2021-01 repeals and renumbers the City's Covid-19 emergency rules.

**Section 3.** <u>Effective Date</u>. The declaration of emergency reiterated in this resolution shall remain in effect until August 18, 2021, unless renewed by City Council before or retroactive to that date.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 19th DAY OF MAY 2021.

ATTEST:

Susan Bourgeois, CMC, City Clerk

Clay R. Koplin, Mayor

#### **EMERGENCY ORDER 2021-01**

## AN EMERGENCY ORDER REPEALING THE CITY'S EMERGENCY COVID-19 RULES EXCEPT TO THE EXTENT NECESSARY FOR THE CITY'S "HEALTH ALERT SYSTEM" ADOPTED VIA THE CORDOVA COVID-19 HEALTH ADVISORY PLAN

**WHEREAS,** in response to the COVID-19 outbreak, the City of Cordova has been operating under applicable Declarations of a Local Emergency, which remain in effect until June 9, 2021, unless repealed by City Council; and

**WHEREAS,** City Council has adopted the City of Cordova COVID-19 HEALTH ADVISORY Plan (the "Plan"); and

WHEREAS, the Plan adopted the City of Cordova HEALTH ALERT SYSTEM; and

**WHEREAS,** the Plan provides the Incident Command Team the tools it needs to implement more restrictive social distancing and business operation rules when necessary, eliminating the need to delay local implementation of revisions and repeals to the Alaska public health mandates; and

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**WHEREAS**, it is in the City's best interest to extend the City's declaration of emergency until August 18, 2021 and amend the Emergency COVID-19 Rules.

## NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

<u>Section 1</u>. <u>Emergency Declaration</u>. A state of emergency continues to exist which requires immediate action by the City to preserve the public health and safety of the Cordova community. This Emergency Declaration shall expire at 12:00 a.m. on August 18, 2021, unless repealed by City Council.

Section 2. Repeal of Certain COVID-19 Emergency Rules. City Council, in collaboration with Mayor Clay Koplin and Cordova's Emergency Operations Center, hereby repeal Rule 1, 2, 3, 4, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, and 20, and renumerate Rules 5, 6, 7, and 16 as Rules 1, 2, 3, and 4, respectfully.

<u>Section 3</u>. All renumerated 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 by City Council, the rules will automatically terminate on the effective date of that repeal.

Section 4. This Emergency Order 2021-01 and the repeal of the Emergency COVID-19 Rules shall be effective at 8:00am on May 20, 2021. This Order shall be posted on the City website, and the City Clerk shall provide City Council members notice of this Emergency Order 2021-01 and the repeal of the COVID-19 Emergency Rules within five (5) days of their repeal.

Date

SEAL PULY 8, 1909

Helen Howarth City Manager

Clay R. Konle

Clay R. Koplin Mayor

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#### CITY OF CORDOVA TEMPORARY EMERGENCY COVID-19 RULES

The following are the Cordova Temporary Emergency COVID-19 Rules as revised by the City effective at 8:00 a.m. on May 20, 2021. These rules will be updated by emergency order and all emergency orders issued by the City are posted on the City website. Please be aware that some previously enacted rules have been renumbered or moved but remain in effect. If you have any question regarding the application of these rules to you, your business or the community as a whole, please email <a href="mailto:cordovaprepared@yahoo.com">cordovaprepared@yahoo.com</a>.

- **Rule 1. Licensed or Permitted Activities.** The City Manager may suspend licenses or permits for special events or any other licenses or permits issued by the City which in the judgment of the City Manager could impact the public health or well-being of residents or visitors to the community and suspension of such licenses or permits is not prohibited by State of Alaska law or mandate. (Former Rule 5)
- **Rule 2. Personnel Policies.** The City Manager may adjust any personnel policies related to leave time, other benefits or terms and conditions of employment as are reasonably related to providing sufficient staffing during the term of the emergency while protecting City employees and the community from COVID-19. (Former Rule 6)
- **Rule 3. Bargaining Units.** The City Manager is hereby authorized to enter into such temporary agreements, including memoranda of understanding with the City's bargaining units in order to promote the provision of City services and the health and safety of the public and employees during the emergency. (Former Rule 7)
- Rule 4. Public Health Mandate Compliance. All individuals and entities shall comply with all COVID-19 State of Alaska public health mandates. In the event the City Manager issues an "Orange Alert," all individuals entering the City must comply with the City's "Community Outbreak Rules" while the "Level 3 Watch" remains in effect. While in effect, the City's Community Outbreak Rules preempt any other less-restrictive local or state rules regarding social distancing or business operations. (Former Rule 16)

# UNDERSTANDING CORDOVA'S COVID-19 HEALTH ALERT SYSTEM

LEVEL 1 - OPEN: No restrictions/mandates or rules.

**LEVEL 2 – ADVISORY:** Local City Emergency declarations may be requested by the Mayor/City Council/City Manager with Local Medical Team's recommendations. Incident Management Team and Emergency Operations Center may be implemented. If we are seeing downward trends and all is going well, we will methodically move to lift restrictions. Cordova may follow the State's lead after the Cordova Medical Team and City Council confirms transition is justified using metrics recommended by the State of Alaska. May include City Rules.

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**LEVEL 3 – WATCH: PROCEED WITH CAUTION:** Local City Emergency Declarations implemented. Incident Management Team and Emergency Operations Center standing up. If the situation is stable or we are seeing a slow increase in cases, we may ask for voluntary measures to flatten the curve. Cordova follows the State's lead after the Cordova Medical Team and City Council confirms transition is justified using metrics recommended by the State of Alaska. Prepare Community for closing of public spaces and implement City Rules and Mandates.

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**LEVEL 4 - LOCAL OUTBREAK WARNING:** *Local Community Outbreak Rules Triggered:* Consistent or rapid increase in cases within the City. Consistent rapid increase in cases in the community, in the City market places or community with direct lines of transportation with the City, or the City is running out of capacity to care for Covid-19 patients. Temporary Closing of Public Spaces not to include Critical Services and Essential Business as determined by City Council with recommendations by the Incident Management Team.

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**LEVEL 5 - STOP:** Uncontrollable Outbreaks, Imminent Life Danger, Critical Emergency Services unable to handle situation. Hunker down order Issued, closing of all public and private spaces, not to include Critical Emergency Services.