



Memorandum

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR
AND CITY COUNCIL

FROM: David Sykes

**SUBJECT: EXTENSION OF
PROCLAMATION OF
LOCAL EMERGENCY RELATED
TO COVID-19**

DATE: June 19, 2020

RECOMMENDATION

Adopt a resolution finding the continued existence of a local emergency and extending the March 6, 2020 Director of Emergency Services' proclamation of a local emergency resulting from community spread of the coronavirus, also known as COVID-19 in the City of San José.

OUTCOME

Extension of the Director of Emergency Services' (City Manager) proclamation of a local emergency allows the City to continue our efforts to slow and reduce the spread of COVID-19 and support our most at risk residents through the exercise of extraordinary police powers, such as evacuation; immunity for emergency actions; authorization of issuance of orders and regulations; activation of pre-established emergency provisions; and is a prerequisite for requesting state or federal assistance. Termination of the proclamation of local emergency when conditions warrant is required by law.

BACKGROUND

1. Notice of pneumonia of unknown cause was reported to the World Health Organization (WHO) on December 31, 2019. The World Health Organization (WHO) China Country Office was informed of several cases of pneumonia of unknown cause detected in Wuhan City, Hubei Province of China. From December 31, 2019 through January 3, 2020, a total of 44 case-patients with pneumonia of unknown caused were reported to WHO by the national authorities in China. These were later confirmed to be cases of novel coronavirus.
2. On January 21, 2020, the first case of COVID-19 is detected in the United States. The Centers of Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) confirmed reports from the State of Washington of the first U.S. resident with COVID-19 infection.

3. On January 24, 2020, the City established and activated its Pandemic Management Team and the City's Pandemic Response Plan. At that time, the City response was at Pandemic Response Stage 1, Active Preparation.

The City's Pandemic Response Plan encompasses four sections that outline the following operational priorities:

- Protecting Our People so that they can provide essential City services
- Continuity of Essential City Operations for our residents, businesses, and visitors
- Effective Communication with both our employees and the community
- Support County Public Health Department as the Lead Agency

Using guidance from the World Health Organization which provides a pandemic risk system, with a scale ranging from Stage 1 (low risk of a pandemic) to a Stage 6 (a full pandemic), the City of San Jose developed a 5-stage Pandemic Response Matrix to scale its planning and response priorities city-wide.

4. On January 30, 2020, the World Health Organization declared the COVID-19 outbreak a Public Health Emergency of International Concern. On January 31, 2020, the United States Secretary of Health and Human Services declared a Public Health Emergency.
5. On January 31, 2020, the first case of COVID-19 was confirmed in the County of Santa Clara ("County").
6. On January 31, 2020 the City elevated its response from Pandemic Response Stage 1 to 2, Initial Response.
7. On February 10, 2020, the County declared a local health emergency and proclaimed a local emergency.
8. On February 26, 2020, the third case of COVID-19 was confirmed in the County and the City escalated its Pandemic Response Stage from 2 to 3, Medium Response.
9. By March 4, 2020 the number of confirmed cases of COVID-19 had increased to eleven (11) in the County with confirmed community spread. The California Department of Health Services reported its first death related to COVID-19 and the Governor of California declared a state of emergency. The County Department of Public Health informed the public that the risk of complications from COVID-19 increases with age, presence of pre-existing conditions, and consistency in personal and workplace hygiene practices.

Specifically, those at higher risk included:

- People over 50 years of age. The risk increases significantly thereafter and escalates with age, with persons over age 80 in the highest risk category.
- People, regardless of age, with underlying health conditions including cardiovascular disease, diabetes, cancer, heart disease, or chronic lung diseases like COPD, as well as those with severely weakened immune systems.

10. On March 4, 2020, the City activated its Emergency Operations Center and began scaling up resources and response in preparation for event and facility closures, increased telecommuting/work-from-home capacity for employees, augmentation of communication to employees and coordination with partner agencies, as well as other work-place and program modifications to ensure the continuity of City operations while protecting the safety of our employees, providing effective communication, and supporting the County.
11. On March 5, 2020, the County issued guidance on social distancing¹, large event, and mass gathering closures. County guidance urged employers to take steps to make it more feasible for their employees to work in ways that minimize close contact with large numbers of people. The novel coronavirus is more likely to spread when a lot of people gather closely.
12. On March 5, 2020, the City increased its effort and moved from Stage 3 to 4, High Response.
13. On March 6, 2020, the City's Director of Emergency Services proclaimed a local emergency.
14. On March 10, 2020, the City Council ratified the Proclamation of a Local Emergency.
15. On March 15, 2020, the City increased its effort and moved from Stage 4 to 5, Extremely High Response.
16. On March 16, 2020, the Santa Clara County Public Health Officer issued a Shelter in Place Order.
17. On March 17, 2020, the City announced its Response Roadmap through the Epidemic, listing highest priority actions to slow and reduce the spread of COVID-19 and support our most at-risk people. Efforts included accepting leadership of county-wide food distribution efforts, expansion of sheltering and housing services, reassignment of staff to support emergency response, and supporting the advocacy and funding coordination at the state and federal level.
18. On March 18, 2020 Mayor Sam Liccardo, along with other Silicon Valley officials and community leaders announced the launch of a new movement, "Silicon Valley Strong". The purpose is to connect struggling residents and businesses with resources they need during the

¹ Social distancing: Creating ways to increase distance between people in settings where people commonly come into close contact with one another. Specific priority settings include schools, workplaces, events, meetings, and other places where people gather. <https://www.cdc.gov/nonpharmaceutical-interventions/community/index.html>

coronavirus outbreak and shelter-in-place mandate. The current balance of contributions and commitments from the community and businesses total \$20 million.

19. On March 19, 2020, the City received a call from the California Office of Emergency Services with the offer of 105 Federal Emergency Management Agency trailers to assist in shelter needs. The final delivery of 102 trailers were staged at the parking lot of Happy Hollow Park.
20. On March 31, 2020, the Santa Clara County Public Health Officer issued an Order to Continue Sheltering in Place until May 3, 2020.
21. On April 1, 2020, full-day Emergency Childcare for first responders and employees providing essential work became fully operational at various locations, including the Almaden Community Center, Willow Glen Community Center, and other partnering agencies to accommodate care for children ages 0 to 12 years old.
22. On April 2, 2020, the City of San José launched a food distribution map with important information on countywide food distribution sites to ensure food security for those in need. In collaboration with the County of Santa Clara, non-profit community partners, school districts, and faith-based organizations, the Silicon Valley Strong coalition now has 129 food distribution sites operating Monday through Friday.
23. On April 4, 2020, Silicon Valley Strong and NBC Bay Area hosted a telethon to help raise additional funding to meet the community needs and provide assistance to those in need. The telethon raised \$217,000.
24. On April 13, 2020, the City of San Jose begin its planning efforts towards shifting out of Pandemic Response Stage 5, Extremely High Response and into Stage 6, Initial Re-opening with no vaccine. Staff anticipate the highly restrictive shelter in place orders will begin to ease, begin limited re-entry/re-opening of City services and programs that were previously shut down. Staff will identify how to progressively and safely reinitiate facilities and programs.
25. On April 15, 2020, Governor Gavin Newsom released information on criteria that will determine when to lift the state's shelter-in-place order:
 - The ability to monitor and protect our communities through testing, contact tracing, isolating, and supporting those who are positive or exposed.
 - The ability to prevent infection in people who are at risk for more severe health complications.
 - The ability of the hospital and health systems to handle surges.
 - The ability to develop therapeutics to meet the demand.
 - The ability for businesses, schools, and child care facilities to support physical distancing.

- The ability to determine when to reinstitute certain measures, such as the stay-at-home orders, if necessary.
26. On April 16, 2020, President Trump released guidelines for a 3 Phased Approach to Opening Up America Again.
- **Phase 1:** Designed to “mitigate the risk of resurgence” and would allow public venues, such as arenas, theaters, and restaurants to reopen, only under certain social distancing conditions. However, “all vulnerable individuals should continue to shelter in place,” and low-risk individuals should continue social distancing.
 - **Phase 2:** Only applies for regions with no evidence of a rebound. Visits to hospitals, nursing homes, and similar locations will remain prohibited. However, schools, day care centers, and camps can reopen, and nonessential travel can resume. Public venues can begin to ease social distancing restrictions.
 - **Phase 3:** For states or areas with no evidence of a rebound, but has fewer restrictions than phase two. Even vulnerable individuals would have more freedom, but should still practice social distancing, while others are urged to avoid “crowded environments.”
27. As of April 27, 2020 The City of San Jose lead the distribution of a total of 2,009,264 meals county-wide.
28. As of April 27, 2020, the City of San Jose’s Safety Branch developed training content including factsheets and training videos that can be shared to facilitate training for all employees including those working alternative shifts and at remote locations.
29. As of May 4, 2020, the City of San Jose EOC hosted a Public Information meeting at the Monterey/ Bernal Housing site to continue operations for providing housing and sheltering support to the community.
30. As of May 4, the EOC Housing Unit accomplished:
- Finalized target populations, shelter types, & agency leads to ensure optimal coordination and clarity with County;
 - Established bed need based on peak bed demand estimates to ensure beds needed at peak demand are identified, secured, and ready;
 - Developed a referral process for people over 60 with chronic conditions (125 people to-date), including coordination of transportation in an effort to thin out shelters for social distancing, refer to Isolation or Quarantine spaces if confirmed or exposed to COVID-19, and refer people from encampments;
 - Established Triaging Strategy/referral system to shelters to ensure appropriate placement to bed solutions;
 - Finalized a SOP for people requiring Quarantine at general shelters to prevent the spread of COVID-19 and get people the medical attention they need; and

- Finalized remote patient care for general shelters, provided mobile medical service at mass shelters to ensure the health and safety of users.
31. On May 4, 2020, the Bay Area Public Health Officers extended the Shelter in Place Order to May 31st, with some modifications. Under the new orders:
- All construction projects will be allowed to resume as long as the project complies with safety protocols included with the order. All real estate transactions will also be able to resume, but with continued restrictions on open houses and limitations on in-person viewings. Any employee allowed to return to work at a facility can also access childcare programs that can operate.
 - Certain outdoor businesses can also begin operating again, and people can visit those businesses to perform work or obtain goods, services, or supplies. This includes wholesale and retail nurseries, landscapers, gardeners, and other businesses that primarily provide outdoor services as set forth in the order. Outdoor businesses do not include restaurants, cafes or bars, regardless of whether they have outdoor seating.
 - Other activities that can resume under the new order include residential moves and the use of certain shared outdoor recreational facilities that were previously ordered closed, like skate parks, but not others that involve shared equipment or physical contact.
32. On May 4, 2020 in partnership the County, City of San Jose and Verily, an additional test site was opened to serve the most vulnerable population of San Jose at Police Athletic League.
33. On May 4, 2020 Governor Gavin Newsom announced: 1). Update on California’s progress toward stage 2 reopening. Issued a state “Report Card” for how the state is doing to meet keep measures for moving into Stage 2. 2) Updated industry guidance to help drive reopening for some sectors –including retail, manufacturing and logistic –with modifications, beginning Friday, May 8th.
34. On May 5, 2020 The City EOC leadership team expanded upon Stage 6 Recovery to Resilience Planning to prioritize:
- Stage 6 Recovery preparedness;
 - Facilities improvements and required operators;
 - PPE acquisition and provision;
 - Training/Education for new practices ;
 - Drive to digital work; and
 - Coordination with HR Safety/Personnel, Finance, and IT.
35. On May 5, 2020 Santa Clara County Public Health Officer released information regarding COVID-19 indicators and next steps for reopening. The five indicators are:
- The total number of cases in the community is flat or decreasing, and the number of hospitalized patients with COVID-19 is flat or decreasing;
 - Sufficient hospital capacity is available to meet the needs of our residents;
 - Sufficient COVID-19 viral detection tests are being conducted each day;

- Sufficient case investigations, contact tracing, and isolation/quarantine capacity is available; and
 - A 30-day supply of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) is available for all healthcare providers.
36. As of May 5, 2020, the City lead the food distribution efforts to feed 3,348,816 people county-wide.
37. On May 7, 2020 health orders in Alameda, Contra Costa, Marin, San Francisco, San Mateo, and Santa Clara counties and the City of Berkeley loosen restrictions on construction as well as outdoor activities and businesses, beginning Friday, May 8th.
38. As of May 8, 2020, San Jose Mayor Sam Liccardo and regional business leaders proposed helping to reopen some small businesses, primarily restaurants, by allowing them to operate outside when shelter-in-place restrictions are eased. The proposal, dubbed San Jose Al Fresco, would also allow businesses such as salons, cafes, gyms, yoga studios and other retailers to take advantage of the city's sunny weather by setting up shop outside in public spaces such as parking lots, parks, alleys, plazas, and streets, once Santa Clara County's stay-at-home order is lifted.
39. As of May 10, 2020, the City of San Jose sheltered 929 individuals since the start of the COVID19 response.
40. On May 11, 2020, the City of San Jose and partners completed the launch of Silicon Valley Strong Small Business Grant Fund that accepted applications through Sunday, May 17 at 11:59 p.m. The grant program provided working capital grants of \$10,000 to 142 eligible small businesses in San Jose that have suffered financial loss due to the COVID-19 crisis. The grant can be used for payroll, rent, and other overhead costs. The Opportunity Fund, a Non-Profit Financial Institution, will be responsible for managing the fund.
41. On May 11, 2020, Loaves and Fishes Family Kitchen along with the Health Trust and Martha's Kitchen accepted a \$1.2 million grant from the City to ensure that low-income families and individuals, homeless families and individuals, seniors, and those who are disabled have access to nutritious meals during shelter-in-place.
42. On May 12, 2020 City Council approved allocating nearly \$730,000 to operate 90 trailers for high-risk, homeless individuals to shelter in during the pandemic.
43. On May 12, 2020 San Jose leaders approved a plan to create a Coronavirus Relief Fund that will help the city receive federal resources for those affected by the pandemic. The fund will allow the city to continue operating its temporary emergency shelters, food distribution efforts across Santa Clara County and other essential services such as providing workers with personal protective equipment.

44. On May 12, 2020 City proposed budget released with \$71.6 million general fund shortfall due to loss of revenue related to the pandemic.
45. On May 12, 2020 The City expanded upon planning efforts to re-populate City Hall and other City Facilities, taking into careful considerations of the workplace and communal space modifications, PPE requirements, and sanitary requirements that are needed to ensure the safety of employees returning to work, as well as the general public.
46. On May 18, 2020, County of Santa Clara Health Officer, Dr. Sara Cody, announced amendments to the current Shelter in Place Order to allow some businesses to resume operating, with modifications based on significant progress in controlling the spread of COVID-19. Under the new order, retailers in the county will be allowed to open for curbside/outdoor pickup, and the supply chain for those retail establishments will also be allowed to reopen. The amended order also allows additional outdoor activities to resume, including car parades, outdoor museums, historical sites, and publicly accessible gardens. The Shelter in Place order remains in place until rescinded or modified.
47. As of May 19, 2020, the City EOC completed the following tasks related to Digital Inclusion Efforts:
 - Scheduled Digital Access Forum with Santa Clara Office of Education, Santa Clara County Executive Committee, and others;
 - Drafted memo for 5.19.20 City Council Meeting; presentation (with \((SCCOE) and Eastside Union High School District);
 - Facilitated telco conversations with City and SCCOE Superintendent; and
 - Completed a public access version of a data map and share link with Councilmembers.
48. On May 19, 2020, San José City Council voted/approved to move forward with the Al Fresco dining, but for now, restaurants are still limited to pick-up orders in accordance with Santa Clara County public health orders. The plan applies to downtown San Jose and anywhere else the city is able to identify areas that would be safe for al-fresco dining. The goal is to help ease the pain for restaurants, which may lose up to half of their interior seating because of mandatory social distancing requirements.
49. On May 19, 2020, San José City Council voted/approved to extend the eviction moratorium amid the COVID-19 pandemic as well as the time to repay unpaid rent due during the moratorium. The moratorium has been extended to June 30 from the end of May, while tenants now have a 12-month repayment period after the moratorium expires. Tenants now must pay back 50% of back rent within six months, or Jan. 31, while the rest must be in by June 30, 2021.
50. On May 19, 2020, The Governor Gavin Newsom signed an executive order for actions in response to COVID-19:
 - Helps ease the strain on domestic violence service providers by waiving the 10 percent cash or in-kind matching requirements for state grants awarded to these organizations.

- Waives the deadline to verify grade point average and waives certain certification requirements and selective service registration verification for Cal Grant applicants.
- Suspends programmatic deadlines for entities that receive funding from the Energy Commission for the development and deployment of new technologies that support the state's clean energy and decarbonization goals.
- Extends the timeframe for local governments to submit claims for reimbursement to the State Controller's Office.

51. As of May 19, 2020 the City lead the food distribution efforts to provide 2,754,314 meals to residents countywide.

52. On May 20, 2020, Free COVID-19 testing is now available for all Santa Clara County residents, including those who aren't exhibiting symptoms. Testing sites are located in San Jose at PAL Stadium and the Santa Clara County Fairgrounds. To get tested, residents have to be 18 years of age or older, electronically sign a COVID-19 public health authorization form and lab consent, and need to schedule an appointment online. Residents don't need health insurance, do not need to pay, and do not need symptoms.

53. On May 22, 2020, Governor Gavin Newsom launched California Connected, the state's comprehensive contact tracing program and public awareness campaign. As part of California Connected, public health workers from communities across the state will connect with individuals who test positive for COVID-19 and work with them, and people they have been in close contact with, to ensure they have access to confidential testing, as well as medical care and other services to help prevent the spread of the virus. This is a resource that can also be made available to Counties, including Santa Clara County.

54. On May 22, 2020 the County's amended Public Health Order to allow for curbside/outdoor pickup, and the supply chain for those retail establishments will also be allowed to reopen. The amended order also allows additional outdoor activities to resume, including car parades, outdoor museums, historical sites, and publicly accessible gardens. Social distancing protocols remain in place to ensure the safety of workers and customers

55. On May 25, 2020, California state officials released new guidelines for churches and other places of worship to open after weeks of being closed due to the coronavirus pandemic.

56. On May 26, 2020 Santa Clara County Board of Supervisors unanimously moved forward with exploring the creation of a 200-member outreach team that would explain public health orders while also providing resources to communities and businesses on preventing the spread of COVID-19. The team is intended to conduct outreach in areas hard-hit by COVID-19, like East San Jose, engaging residents and business owners in multiple languages, distributing masks, encouraging testing, and providing guidance on safety protocols.

57. As of May 27, 2020 the City lead the food distribution efforts to provide 2,863,920 meals to residents countywide.

58. On May 28, 2020, City employees are now required to wear a face covering in City facilities when others are nearby or when they are in areas that the public regularly visits.
59. As of June 1, 2020 the EOC Homeless Support Services Branch has:
- Inventoried 50 trailers for final repairs and supply needs, began repairs and ordered supplies;
 - Opened "phase 2" of South Hall with 100 beds;
 - Assembled RFP panel and evaluations, publish responses to RFP questions; and
 - Piloted an online data collection tool and supply request for volunteer advocates working in encampments.
60. On June 2, 2020, The Parks, Recreation, and Neighborhood Services Department opened five cooling centers to provide residents with a cool place to beat the heat projected for June 2-3. Residents who visit a cooling center followed all CDC and county guidelines, including maintaining a physical distance of 6 feet from others, wearing a face covering, and staying home if they were sick.
61. On June 2, 2020, San José City Council passed an ordinance requiring members of the public to wear face coverings when outside of their homes including:
- Inside of any business (indoors or outdoors);
 - Waiting in line to enter a business or retrieve items with curbside pickup;
 - Engaging in essential infrastructure work;
 - Obtaining healthcare services; and
 - Waiting for or riding public transit.
62. On June 4, 2020, The City hosted a webinar to guide restaurants and other food establishments through best practices to be more efficient with inventory management, table distancing, take-out protocol, and other factors to consider for re-opening safely and responsibly. This interactive virtual workshop was facilitated by Small Business Development Center (SBDC).
63. On June 5, 2020 The County Public Health Officer issued an update to the May 22nd Shelter in Place Order, allowing several new categories of businesses and activities to reopen, subject to conditions and limitations. It also keeps key restrictions in place, requiring people to stay in their homes except when engaging in certain essential or allowed activities.

Additional Businesses That Can Open:

- Outdoor dining at restaurants and other facilities that prepare and serve food, subject to limitations/social distancing;
- Retail and shopping centers for in-store shopping, subject to limitations/social distancing;

- Childcare, summer camps, summer school, and all other educational or recreational programs for all children, in stable groups of up to 12 children;
- All manufacturing, warehousing, and logistics, subject to limitations/social distancing;
- House cleaning and other no-contact in-home services;
- Low contact/no contact service businesses such as shoe repair, watch repair, and other similar services, subject to limitations/social distancing; and
- All pet grooming.

Additional Activities:

- Outdoor small ceremonies and religious services, in groups no larger than 25;
- All outdoor recreational activities that do not involve physical contact, with social distancing, including swimming pools, hiking, tennis, golf, etc.;
- Camping, subject to limitations/social distancing; and
- Drive-in Theaters and other car-based gatherings.

64. On June 5, 2020 the City of San Jose entered Stage 6, Initial Reopening of the Pandemic Recovery to Resilience Plan.

65. Starting on Monday, June 8, 2020, the Emergency Operations Center shifted from a weekly cadence to a monthly cadence.

66. As of June 9, 2020 the Safety Branch of the EOC completed training the Conservation Corp staff who will support operations at the Second Harvest Food Bank.

67. As of June 9, 2020, the Liaison Branch of the EOC completed a technical assistance webinar working to advise to restaurant owners on reopening their business.

68. On June 11, 2020, City of San José/Work2Future hosted the second online Job Fair. The fair informed job seekers of available jobs directly from manufacturers, non-profits, law enforcement, and health care companies ready to hire.

ANALYSIS

COVID-19 has severely impacted people, businesses, schools, and critical services worldwide. Given the uncertainty and what little was known about this new virus strain, on January 24, 2020, the City of San José activated its Pandemic Management Team and Pandemic Response Plan to increase our preparedness and mitigation practices. The City progressed through all five stages of the plan to the most Extreme Response. As of the day of drafting this memo, there are 2120 cases of COVID-19 infections within the City of San Jose, with 3254 cases total in Santa Clara County and a total of 151 reported deaths. With county-wide testing capabilities beginning to scale, there have been 107142 individuals tested county wide, 3254 of those tests are positive results, 103495 negative results and 393 still pending results. There have been at total of 6062 patients seen at the San Jose PAL Stadium (Verily) test site.

Santa Clara County Public Health remains the lead on the Shelter in Place Order which is currently in effect indefinitely, with gradual modifications and changes to be determined by the Public Health Officer. Currently, the County anticipates that the spike in the number of cases and deaths will likely increase. Per information from the County, the emergency is likely to continue until there is a vaccine developed and widely available, which is projected to be 18 months from now.

In parallel with the sustained response, the City is on a journey of recovery to resilience. As the County assesses further modifications to the Shelter in Place Order, the City is still working to navigate the dramatic and ongoing economic challenge that is debilitating people's livelihoods. People are facing serious issues as their well-being has been impacted by the necessary measures taken on the public health front. Furthermore, the City faces a significant fiscal challenge that we as a city organization addressing to keep the City's staff and operations fiscally sustainable.

The City has been preparing and planning to progressively monitor the emergency and respond appropriately. Currently the City stands at Stage 6, Initial Reopening, and expect a slow progression through the remaining stages described below:

- **Stage 6-Initial Reopening: (No Vaccine)** Highly restrictive shelter in place orders begin to ease, begin limited re-entry/re-opening of City services, programs that were previously shut down.
- **Stage 7-Expanded Reopening: (No Vaccine)** Progressively decreased restrictions to further resume City services, programs, and facilities, moving towards normal operations.
- **Stage 8- Near Complete Reopening: (No Vaccine)** Further easing of remaining restrictions, expansion of programs, operations, and movement, resulting in closer to normal conditions. Implementation of future mitigation strategies.
- **Stage 9- Complete Reopening: (Vaccine Scaling)** City functions and operations, businesses and communities return to completed normalcy.
- **Stage 10- New Normal:** Iterative planning and preparation for the next pandemic

Until the emergency is over, extending the Proclamation of Local Emergency provides the authority to:

- Provide and request mutual aid from state and other governmental agencies consistent with the provisions of local ordinances, resolutions, emergency plans, and agreements.
- Promulgate orders and regulations and exercise emergency police powers necessary to provide for protection of life and property.

CONCLUSION

Pursuant to the San José Municipal Code and the California Government Code, the City Council must review the need to continue the Proclamation of Local Emergency every 60 days until conditions warrant termination. The emergency continues. The City remains under a Shelter in

Place Order by the Santa Clara County Public Health Officer. The Order may be modified. It is not anticipated to be completely lifted, at this time, as that could lead to a spike in illness and death rates. The emergency will not be over until a vaccine is available, which is anticipated to be at least 12 months from now.

EVALUATION AND FOLLOW-UP

The City Council must review the need to continue the local emergency every sixty (60) days and must terminate the local emergency as soon as conditions warrant. Staff will return to Council when conditions warrant termination of the local emergency or within sixty (60) days to review the need to continue the local emergency, whichever occurs first.

CLIMATE SMART

The recommendation in this memorandum has no effect on Climate Smart San José energy, water, or mobility goals.

PUBLIC OUTREACH

The memorandum will be posted for the June 23, 2020 agenda.

COORDINATION

The Office of Emergency Management prepared this report in coordination with the City Attorney's Office.

COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION

No commission recommendation or input is associated with this section.

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