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Memorandum

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

FROM: David Sykes

SUBJECT: EXTENSION OF

CAPITAL OF SILICON VALLEY

DATE: August 5, 2020

PROCLAMATION OF

LOCAL EMERGENCY RELATED

TO COVID-19

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

CITY OF

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. If approved, this extension will be in effect for 60 days and will expire on October 17, 2020. If the local emergency still exists, staff will return to City Council on October 13, 2020 to request to continue the local emergency.

BACKGROUND

The City initiated its Pandemic Planning efforts on January 24, 2020 as news of an unknown virus originating from the City of Wuhan, China, now identified as SARS-COV-2 causing severe respiratory disease (COVID-19), was identified in the United States. The early activation of the Pandemic Management Team and Pandemic Response Plan on January 24, 2020 prepared the City's emergency response as news and evidence of national, state, and community spread was confirmed by the County Public Health Officer. The City's Emergency Operation Center was formally activated on March 6, 2020. A detailed chronology of key events and priorities from March 6, 2020 to June 23, 2020 can be found in the Attachment to this memorandum.

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Thus far, City's COVID-19 Pandemic Response activities, accomplishments and other impacting factors since the June 23, 2020 Local Emergency Extension include:

- 1. As of June 19, 2020, the City continues its efforts towards relocating trailer residents to hotels/motels, started working on demobilizing trailers, and continued site preparation on Rue Ferrari and Evans Lane temporary housing sites.
- 2. As of June 20, 2020, the City's EOC began exploring options to expand COVID-19 testing services at Verily Test Site at the Police Activities League Stadium, including exploring options for in-person walk-in testing as well as same-day drive thru testing, such as bi-lingual greeter support, traffic management, and security services.
- 3. As of June 20, 2020, the City's EOC strengthened its planning efforts to enable employees to continue safely working, or safely return to work. This Powered by People 2.0 scope of work includes work place safety enhancements, staff protective equipment preparations, facilities improvements, technological support.
- 4. On June 23, 2020, the City Council approved updates to the City's Parking Program, scheduled to take effect Monday, August 3. The first 90 minutes of parking will be free at all City parking garages (except Convention Center and City Hall City Hall garage remains closed to the public). To reduce touch points and face-to-face interactions, people will no longer need to get a validation from a participating business to enjoy the perk of free parking. In addition, employees working in the downtown and earning \$20 or less per hour will now be eligible to receive a 50% discount on monthly parking permits.
- 5. On June 24, 2020 the City completed a series of listening sessions with employees and the public. Topics discussed include equity, diversity, and COVID-19 support.
- 6. As of June 26, 2020, the City completed 100% design on Evans Lane and Rue Ferrari. As well as conducted site visits with Green Team for pilot trash pick-up program at select encampment sites.
- 7. On June 26, 2020, City of San José signed an emergency order extending Al Fresco concept to allow "parklets" for dining and shopping, at no cost, in the parking space in front of their business. The temporary permit applies only to businesses located on a street in a commercial area, where the posted speed limit is 25 MPH or less. The City will provide and install the traffic barriers at no charge to the business. The City is encouraging contiguous groups of businesses to apply as a group, to create a more lively and activated retail and dining street-scene throughout San José's commercial areas. The temporary parklet permit will be valid through Dec. 31, 2020 or until the Shelter-In-Place restrictions are removed.

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- 8. On June 26, 2020, The City initiated decommissioning and restoration planning/work for Kelley Park, Bascom, Camden, and Parkside closures by Logistics/Public Works staffs Operations/Housing. Sites targeted for full closure by 8/31with restoration due about two weeks after closures.
- 9. On July 1, 2020, COVID-19 Testing East Side San Jose at the Police Activities League has been expanded once more to meet the needs of the community. In partnership with Verily, free drive thru COVID-19 Testing was made available starting from on July 10, 2020, Monday-Friday from 1:00 P.M. -7:00 P.M., also Saturday from 9:00 A.M.-1:00 P.M. To date, 8285 people have been tested from this site.
- 10. On July 2, 2020, Santa Clara Public Health Officer announced a new order that puts in place long-term risk reduction measures. The order allows certain additional activities to resume, but also puts in place significant additional containment measures to control the spread of COVID-19. Activities including hair and nail services, gyms, and small gatherings can only resume if strict social distancing protocols are put in place. As well as requirement of consistent use of face coverings, and significant capacity limits. All employers are required to immediately report cases of COVID-19 tied to their work places to local public health officials. The order continues to stress practicing safety measures such as staying home, social distancing, and that people over age 70 and those with serious underlying medical conditions should continue to leave home only for essential needs. The order will go into effect on July 13, or as soon as State approval is granted, whichever is later.
- 11. On July 5, 2020, evidence of COVID-19 spread in the community seems to have been under control, with the County's testing and tracing capacity seem to be sufficient to further move towards re-opening and risk-mitigation efforts, the City began moving towards Stage 7- Expanded Re-Opening of the Pandemic Recovery to Resilience Plan.
- 12. On July 6, 2020, the Community and Economic Recovery Branch of the Emergency Operation Center conducted Spanish speaking webinar on reopening and financing your business Guest presenter was Jesus Flores from the Alum Rock Business Association. The Branch also began development of the Arts-CBO CRF workplan and mapped out an initial timeline, and completed the transition of the Liaison Branch/Local Assistance Task Force to the Community and Economic Recovery Branch.
- 13. On July 7, 2020, after initially rejecting Santa Clara County's application for expanded re-opening, the State of California approved the County's "variance" application. As a result, outdoor dining can continue in Santa Clara County. This also means that the new local Health Order announced by the Public Health Officer last week, which puts in place across-the-board risk reduction measures, will now go into effect on Monday, July 13th. The County will be posting sector-specific directives related to the new County Risk Reduction Order.

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- 14. On July 13, 2020, California Governor Gavin Newsom announced, Counties on the state's Monitoring List for 3 consecutive days must close some indoor business operations including:
 - Fitness Centers
 - Places of Worship
 - Offices for Non-Critical Sectors
 - Personal Care Services
 - Hair Salons and Barbershops
 - Malls

Additionally, statewide closures apply to other indoor operations:

- Restaurants
- Wineries
- Movie theaters, family entertainment
- Zoos, museums
- Cardrooms
- Bars must close ALL operations
- 15. On Sunday July 12, 2020, the County of Santa Clara was added to the State's monitoring list. In light of the Governor's announcement, Santa Clara County will order appropriate businesses and operations to close effective Wednesday, July 15, 2020 at 12:01 a.m.
- 16. On July 14, 2020, the Finance Section of the EOC reported \$77 million in COVID-19 expenses. Additionally, the City EOC held the kickoff meeting for the Community & Economic Recovery Task Force and held a training/Q&A session with Recovery Branch for Community & Economic Recovery Branch staff regarding appropriate use of Coronavirus Relief Funds.
- 17. The Community & Economic Recovery Branch also released an informational memorandum to City Council regarding results of the Silicon Valley Strong Small Business grant program.
- 18. On July 14, 2020, the Recovery Section of the EOC and Library continued making headway for digital inclusion efforts to the Seven Trees and Tully neighborhood, including applying for a \$68,803 grant.
- 19. On July 17, 2020, the City began developing enhanced outreach pilot program for encampment sites, including looking at options for emergency dumpster deployment at encampment sites.
- 20. As of July 17, 2020, touchless plumbing fixtures installed at the 5 community centers hosting summer camps.

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- 21. As of July 17, 2020, the City's EOC Logistics Branch continues to with libraries on opening three more locations for curbside collection—Alviso, Alum Rock, and Cambrian—in addition to current 11 already operating sites.
- 22. On July 23, 2020, the City's testing, tracing, and supported isolation team met with the County to discuss possible options to expand testing, especially areas determined as COVID-19 hotspots by the County.
- 23. As of July 31, 2020, the City and collaborating partners/agencies have provided over 50 million meals county-wide, averaging about 2.61 million meals per week.
- 24. As of July 31, 2020, the City created a shelter hotline to centralize and facilitate intake and housing placements. In partnership with the County has provided over 843 hotel/motel vouchers across 12 sites in 7 cities to help vulnerable/ at-risk populations in need of non-congregate sheltering. Additionally, the City also provided 1164 shelter beds and placed 844 individuals in permanent housing.

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. The City adjusted its response, messaging, and priorities to best suit the needs of the community, adapting to the progressive modifications made by the Public Health Officer to the Shelter-in-Place Order. The City prepared to enter into Stage 7- Expanded Re-Opening of the Pandemic Recovery to Resilience Plan in early July. However, numbers of COVID-19 Cases, test positivity rates, and numbers of COVID-19 related hospitalizations began to climb again. As a result, the County and the City scaled back its reopening plans under the statewide directives for indoor activities, restaurants, bars, theaters and other restrictions on July 13, 2020.

As of the day of drafting this memo, there are now 6,497 (an increase of 4377) cases of COVID-19 infections within the City of San José, with 9913 total (an additional 5767 cases) in Santa Clara County and a total of 191 reported deaths. With county-wide testing capabilities continuing to scale to meet the need of the community, there have been 369,661 individuals tested county wide, 10,542 of those tests are positive results, and 349,119 negative results. A total of 16,037 of the County's reported tests were from the San Jose PAL Stadium (Verily) test site.

The number of COVID-19 related hospitalizations nearly doubled from the month prior, a total of 185 patients in Santa Clara County were hospitalized due to COVID-19. In recent weeks, states including California, Arizona, Florida and Texas have seen soaring coronavirus totals that

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have moved officials, including Governor Gavin Newsom, to issue or reimpose restrictions, including closing businesses that had previously reopened, or delaying the expansion or reopening of bars, hair/nail salons, and indoor restaurants. Santa Clara County Public Health remains the lead on the COVID-19 Pandemic Response, especially in areas of testing tracing, and supported isolation. 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.

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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 August 18, 2020 Council 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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Statutory Exempt, Section 15269, Emergency Projects

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Attachment: Key Events from March 6 Proclamation Memorandum through June 23, 2020 Extension of Local Emergency

Attachment

Key Events from March 6 Proclamation through June 23, 2020 Extension of the Local Emergency

- 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 José 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-

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

- 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 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 José 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 José lead the distribution of a total of 2,009,264 meals county-wide.
- 28. As of April 27, 2020, the City of San José'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 José 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, 2020, 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 31, 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 José and Verily, an additional test site was opened to serve the most vulnerable population of San José 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 8.
- 38. As of May 8, 2020, San José 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 José 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 stayat-home order is lifted.
- 39. As of May 10, 2020, the City of San José sheltered 929 individuals since the start of the COVID19 response.
- 40. On May 11, 2020, the City of San José 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 José 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 José 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 José 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 José 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 22 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 José 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.