RESOLUTION NO. 2021-04-CC
CITY OF SOUTH GATE
LOS ANGELES COUNTY, CALIFORNIA


WHEREAS, on December 8, 2020, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 2020-41-CC, extending the Local Emergency within the City as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic surge;

WHEREAS, COVID-19 infection rates continue to increase throughout Los Angeles County and hospitalizations continue to impact the health care systems;

WHEREAS, California continues under the Limited Stay at Home Order for those counties in the Tier One (Purple) of the Blueprint for a Safer Economy, and the Limited Stay at Home Order will expire after the Regional Stay at Home Order has been terminated in all regions of the State;

WHEREAS, although the Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine ("COVID-19 vaccine") will gradually be available in all counties by summer 2021, below are the priority phases for obtaining the vaccination:

Phase 1A: Healthcare workers and long-term care residents.

Phase 1B Tier One: Individuals 65 and older and those at risk of exposure at work in the following sectors: Education and childcare, Emergency services, and Food and agriculture.

Phase 1B Tier Two: (1) Those at risk of exposure at work in the following sectors: Transportation and logistics, Industrial, commercial, residential, and sheltering facilities and services, and Critical manufacturing; and (2) Congregate settings with outbreak risk: Incarcerated and Homeless.

Phase 1C: Individuals between 50 - 64 years of age; People between 16 - 49 years of age who have an underlying health condition or disability which increases their risk of severe COVID-19; and those at risk of exposure at work in the following sectors: Water and wastewater, Defense, Energy, Chemical and hazardous materials, Communications and IT, Financial services, and Government operations/community-based essential functions.
WHEREAS, as of January 20, 2021, there are 16,001 COVID-19 cases in the City with 134 deaths, 1,031,874 COVID-19 cases in Los Angeles County with 14,122 deaths, and over 3 Million COVID-19 cases in California with 34,433 deaths; and

WHEREAS, in the interest of public health and safety, the City Council urges residents to remain vigilant as COVID-19 cases continue to increase.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF SOUTH GATE DOES HEREBY RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The City Council does hereby declare that the above recitals are true and correct and incorporated herein by reference.

SECTION 2. After duly considering all the information presented by the Interim Director of Emergency Services/Interim City Manager, the City Council does hereby continues to find and resolve that there is still a need to extend the Local Emergency within the City as a result of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic.

SECTION 3. The City Council does hereby declares and reaffirms:

1. A Local Emergency continues to exist throughout the City;

2. During the existence of said Local Emergency, the powers, functions and duties of the emergency organization of the City shall be those prescribed by state law, by ordinances and resolutions of the City, as approved by the City Council;

3. During the existence of said Local Emergency, the City shall follow and impose all directives, mandates, Executive Orders and any other emergency related restrictions issued by the State of California and/or the County of Los Angeles, including any and all social distancing recommendations;

4. Should he deem it necessary, the Director of Emergency Services is authorized to direct the immediate closure of City facilities (including City Hall) during normal business hours;

5. The Director of Emergency Services' purchasing authority is hereby increased to meet the needs of addressing this emergency;

6. The normal City goods and service procurement requests and purchase practices, including bidding requirements, are stayed during this period of emergency;

7. Purchases of items that are not budgeted are authorized to be purchased in order to respond during this period of emergency;

8. Authorizes all City officers and employees to take steps requested by the Director of Emergency Services to qualify the City for reimbursement from the Federal Emergency
Management Agency and for other state and federal relief as may be available to reimburse the City for the expenses it incurs in addressing this emergency;

9. Other actions deemed necessary by the Director of Emergency Services to reasonably respond to the emergency and to effectively serve the community within the City;

10. The local emergency shall be deemed to continue to exist until its termination is proclaimed by the City Council of the City of South Gate;

11. City staff will continue to monitor Governor Gavin Newsom’s Executive Orders, and any related orders issued by the County of Los Angeles Department of Public Health, and will modify the City’s policies and procedures accordingly; and

12. As required by law, the City Council shall review the need to continue the state of emergency every sixty (60) days until this Resolution is terminated.

SECTION 4. The City Clerk shall certify to the adoption of this Resolution which shall be effective upon its adoption.

PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED this 26th day of January 2021.

CITY OF SOUTH GATE:

By
Maria Davila, Mayor

ATTESTED:

By:
Carmen Avalos, City Clerk
(SEAL)

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

By:
Raul F. Salinas, City Attorney
I, Carmen Avalos, City Clerk of the City of South Gate, California, hereby certify that the whole number of Members of the City Council of said City is five; that Resolution No. 2021-04-CC was adopted by the City Council at their Regular Meeting held on January 26, 2021, by the following vote:

Ayes: Council Members: Davila, Rios, Avalos, Diaz and Hurtado

Noes: Council Members: None

Absent: Council Members: None

Abstain: Council Members: None

Witness my hand and the seal of said City on February 2, 2021.

Carmen Avalos, City Clerk
City of South Gate, California