### RESOLUTION NO. 2020-36-CC

### CITY OF SOUTH GATE LOS ANGELES COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

# RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOUTH GATE, CALIFORNIA, EXTENDING THE LOCAL EMERGENCY WITHIN THE CITY AS A RESULT OF THE ONGOING CORONAVIRUS DISEASE 2019 PANDEMIC

WHEREAS, the City continues to find itself in a region that has seen COVID-19 infection rates to some of the highest in Los Angeles County and these trends have continued since the City's last review for need to continue the Local Emergency;

WHEREAS, on August 13, 2020, the City's Director of Emergency Services, issued a Proclamation extending the Local Emergency as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic infection rate increases to ensure authority to take measures necessary to protect and preserve public health and safety, including seeking aid from state and federal authorities as necessary, retroactively effective July 11, 2020;

**WHEREAS,** thereafter on August 25, 2020, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 2020-32-CC extending the Local Emergency within the City as a result of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, retroactively effective July 11, 2020;

WHEREAS, considering the upcoming flu season, on September 22, 2020, Governor Newsom announced the new four-tier color-coded system for tracking COVID-19 trends to determine when Counties can move forward with reopening businesses. The new four-tier color-coded system is as follows:

Purple: Represents counties with widespread COVID-19 cases having more than

seven daily cases per 100,000 residents or positivity rate of more than 8%. Schools and most indoor nonessential businesses will remain closed in this

category and only allows outdoor dining.

Red: Represents counties with substantial COVID-19 cases. Some nonessential

businesses will remain closed. This category limits indoor dining at 25%

of capacity or 100 dinners, whichever is fewer.

Orange: Represents counties with moderate COVID-19 cases having 1 - 3.9 daily

new cases per 100,000 residents or positivity rate of 2 - 4.9%. This category limits indoor dining at 25% of capacity or 100 dinners,

whichever is fewer.

Yellow: Represents counties with minimal COVID-19 cases having less than 1

daily new case per 100,000 residents or positivity rate of less than 2%. In this category most nonessential businesses may reopen with moderate

modifications and indoor dining at 50% of capacity.

In order to move out of the above tiers, there is a 21-day waiting period. Currently there is not a green tier for the reopening of businesses in general.

**WHEREAS,** on October 6, 2020, Governor Newsom warned Californians to remain vigilant against COVID-19, cautioning matters could turn for the worse again as states across the country experience a small increase in COVID-19 cases;

WHEREAS, as of October 6, 2020, there are 4,569 COVID-19 cases in the City with 69 deaths, 271,371 COVID-19 cases in Los Angeles County with 6,610 deaths, and 831,225 COVID-19 cases in California with 16,228 deaths; and

**WHEREAS,** in the interest of public health and safety, the City desires to extend the Local Emergency within the City as a result of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic.

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

**SECTION 1.** After duly considering all the information presented by the Director of Emergency Services, the City Council hereby continues to find and resolve that there is a need to extend the Local Emergency within the City as a result of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic.

### **SECTION 2.** The City Council 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 recommendation;
- 4. Should he deem it necessary, the Director of Emergency Services/City Manager is authorized to direct the immediate closure of City facilities (including City Hall) during normal business hours;
- 5. The Director of Emergency Services'/City Manager's 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/City Manager 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/City Manager 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 3.** The City Clerk shall certify to the adoption of this Resolution which shall be effective upon its adoption.

PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED this 13th day of October 2020.

**CITY OF SOUTH GATE:** 

Maria Davila, Mayor

ATTEST:

Bv:

Carmen Avalos, City Clerk

(SEAL)

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

By:

Raul F. Salinas, City Attorney

#### RESOLUTION CERTIFICATION PAGE

STATE OF CALIFORNIA	)	
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES	)	SS
CITY OF SOUTH GATE	)	

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 <u>Resolution No. 2020-36-CC</u> was adopted by the City Council at their Regular Meeting held on October 13, 2020, 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 October 21, 2020.

Carmen Avalos, City Clerk

City of South Gate, California