

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-44-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, on June 15, 2021, Los Angeles County followed the State of California guidelines and allowed businesses and outdoor events to fully operate with the requirement that individuals fully vaccinated could choose to wear a face covering and unvaccinated individuals would be required to still wear a face covering;

WHEREAS, on August 10, 2021, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 2021-34-CC, extending the Local Emergency (“Local Emergency”) within the City as a result of the ongoing Coronavirus Disease 2019 (“COVID-19”) Pandemic, and Resolution No. 2020-07-CC first declared the Local Emergency on March 24, 2020, which has been extended continuously since then;

WHEREAS, effective June 15, 2021, the face covering mandate (unless unvaccinated or immunocompromised persons), physical distancing restrictions, capacity limits and the county color-coded tier system ended;

WHEREAS, in South Gate, currently 73.2 % of those eligible having received at least one dose of the vaccination shot, compared to a Los Angeles County average of 76% and 98.3% of 65+ year old residents have received at least their first vaccination shot, compared to a county average of 91.1% and 20,942 recorded cases and 319 deaths in our City; and

WHEREAS, until the State of California rescinds its guiding emergency declarations, or they expire, it remains in the interest of public health and safety to continue with the Local Emergency.

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 Director of Emergency Services/Interim City Manager, the City Council does hereby continue 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 declare and reaffirm:

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 and 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 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 limitation lifted to authorize the spending of all funds during the effective term of this emergency to meet the needs of addressing the COVID-19 Local Emergency. The Director of Emergency Services shall cause a report on expenditures to be submitted to the City Council within 10 business days after the end of each month.
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 to respond during this Local Emergency.
8. All City officers and employees are authorized to take steps requested by the Director of Emergency Services to qualify for reimbursement by the Federal Emergency Management Agency and other state and federal relief programs for expenses incurred by the City 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, or the State of California ceases its declaration of emergency relating to COVID-19, whichever is sooner.


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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 emergency-related policies and procedures accordingly, and
12. This Resolution shall terminate on its own accord upon the expiration of the Governor's State of Emergency Order, or as may be determine by the City Council, whichever occurs first. As required by law, the City Council shall review the need to continue the Local Emergency mandate every sixty (60) days, at a minimum, 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 28th day of September 2021.

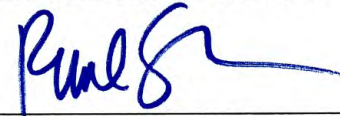
CITY OF SOUTH GATE:

By: 
Al Rios, Mayor

ATTESTED:

By: 
Carmen Avalos, City Clerk
(SEAL)

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

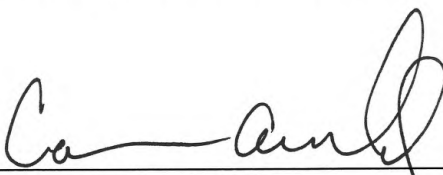
By: 
Raul F. Salinas, City Attorney

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 Resolution No. 2021-44-CC was adopted by the City Council at their Regular Meeting held on September 28, 2021, by the following vote:

Ayes: Council Members: Rios, Avalos, Diaz and Hurtado
Noes: Council Members: None
Absent: Council Members: Davila
Abstain: Council Members: None
Recused: Council Member: None

Witness my hand and the seal of said City on October 5, 2021.



Carmen Avalos, City Clerk
City of South Gate, California