

CITY OF SEATAC

PROCLAMATION OF EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, SeaTac Municipal Code (SMC) Section 2.75.070 (A) provides that the Mayor may issue a Proclamation of Emergency upon request of the City's Emergency Management Director, if a quorum of the City Council is not available, subject to confirmation by the City Council at the earliest practicable time; and

WHEREAS, the City's Emergency Management Director has made such a request; and WHEREAS, the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) is a respiratory disease that may result in serious illness or death and is easily transmissible from person to person; and

WHEREAS, on January 31, 2020, the United States Department of Public Health and Human Services Secretary Alex Azar declared a public emergency for the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) beginning on January 27, 2020; and

WHEREAS, on February 29, 2020, Governor Jay Inslee declared a state of emergency exists in all counties in the State of Washington due to the number of confirmed cases of COVID-19 in the State (Proclamation 20-05); and

WHEREAS, on March 1, 2020, King County Executive Dow Constantine signed a proclamation of emergency due to the number of confirmed cases of COVID-19 in the County, thus enabling King County government to take extraordinary measures; and

WHEREAS, on March 10, 2020, as a result of significant risks from COVID-19 to persons living in congregate care settings, the Governor issued Proclamation 20-06 amending Proclamation 20-05 by prohibiting certain activities and waiving and suspending specified laws and regulations; and

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020, the Governor issued Proclamation 20-07, that imposed restrictions on large gatherings in King, Pierce, and Snohomish counties; and

WHEREAS, the health, safety and welfare of SeaTac residents, businesses, visitors and staff is of utmost importance to the City and additional future measures may be needed to protect the community; and

WHEREAS, the undersigned believes that existing conditions related to COVID-19 constitute an emergency as defined in SMC 2.75.030 (B), and necessitates the utilization of emergency powers granted under RCW 38.52.070 and SMC 2.75; and

NOW, THEREFORE, the undersigned Mayor of the City of SeaTac, does hereby declare that an emergency exists within the City of SeaTac due to the outbreak of COVID-19, and authorizes the City Manager, the Emergency Management Director, and their designee(s) to utilize the emergency powers granted under RCW 38.52.070, SMC 2.75, and any other Federal and State laws and City Ordinances to preserve public health, safety, and order.

DATED this 12th day of March, 2020.

Erin Sitterley,

Mayor, City of SeaTac

Carl C. Cole, City Manager