VILLAGE OF VOLENTE

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-R-01

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A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF VOLENTE, TEXAS, CONSENTING TO CONTINUE A DECLARATION OF LOCAL STATE OF DISASTER IN RESPONSE TO CONCERNS RELATED TO THE CORONAVIRUS DISEASE 2019 (COVID-19); AND FINDING AND DETERMINING THAT THE MEETING AT WHICH THIS RESOLUTION IS PASSED WAS NOTICED AND IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC AS REQUIRED BY LAW.

WHEREAS, in accordance with Section 1.02.031 of the Village of Volente Code of Ordinances, there exists the office of emergency management director of the village, which shall be held by the mayor in accordance with state law; and

WHEREAS, on March 17, 2020, the Mayor acting in accordance with the authority granted to her under Section 418.108(a) of the Texas Government Code declared a local state of disaster for the Village due to concerns related to the coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19); and

WHEREAS, Section 418.108(b) of the Texas Government Code provides that such a declaration of disaster may not be continued for a period of more than seven days except with the consent of the governing body of the political subdivision; and

WHEREAS, beginning on the 6th day of March 2020, Travis County issued a Declaration of Disaster and subsequently a series of Orders regarding COVID-19 limiting community gatherings, ordering food establishments to provide take-away or no-contact delivery food service designed to limit exposure between individuals, and ordering the holders of wine and beer retailer's permits or mixed beverage permits (collectively "bars") to close common bar spaces open to the public; and

WHEREAS, on the 19th day of March 2020, Governor Greg Abbott, issued Executive Order GA 08, Relating to COVID-19 Preparedness and Mitigation, stating people shall avoid social gatherings in groups of more than 10 people and closing schools until April 3, 2020; in accordance with the President's Coronavirus Guidelines for America, as promulgated by President Donald J. Trump and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), and mandating certain obligations for Texans that are aimed at slowing the spread of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on the 22nd day of March 2020, Governor Greg Abbott, issued Executive Order GA 09, Relating to hospital capacity during the COVID-19 Disaster, continuing until 11:59 p.m. on April 21, 2020, requiring all licensed health care professionals and all licensed health care facilities to postpone all surgeries and procedures that are not immediately medically necessary, with some exceptions; and suspending some statutory requirements to address the needs for hospital capacity due to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on the 24th day of March 2020, Travis County issued ORDER NO. 2020-5, requiring, among other things, that all individuals currently living in Travis County shelter at their place of residence, all businesses operating within Travis County except Essential Businesses cease all activities within the County; and prohibiting all public or private gatherings of any number of people outside a single household; and

WHEREAS, the conditions necessitating the declaration of disaster will continue to exist for a period of more than seven days; and

WHEREAS, the disaster declarations issued by the President of the United States, Texas Governor, and Travis County Judge all extend past seven days from March 17, 2020.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF VOLENTE, TEXAS:

SECTION 1. That the City Council consents to continue the Mayor's Declaration of Local State of Disaster of March 17, 2020 through the earlier of termination of the: (a) the State of Texas Declaration of Disaster; or (b) the Travis County Declaration of Disaster, unless terminated earlier by order or proclamation of the Mayor under Section 418.108 of the Texas Government Code.

SECTION 2. That it is officially found and determined that the meeting at which this resolution is passed is open to the public to the extent allowed by group gathering limitations during this disaster and that public notice of the time, place, and purpose of said meeting was given as required by law.

PASSED AND APPROVED this the 24nd day of March, 2020.

VILLAGE OF VOLENTE, TEXAS

Jana Nace, Mayor

ATTEST:

Nanette Akinleye
City Secretary