



STAFF REPORT TO THE CITY COUNCIL

DATE: Special Meeting of March 20, 2020

TO: Members of the City Council

SUBMITTED BY: David Biggs, City Manager

SUBJECT: Resolution Ratifying Local Declaration of Emergency

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Adopt a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Hercules confirming the City Manager/Director of Emergency Services' Proclamation of Existence of a Local Emergency

FISCAL IMPACT OF RECOMMENDATION: The ratifying of the City Manager/Director of Emergency Services Declaration dated March 15, 2020 (Attachment 2), will ensure that the local state of emergency remains in effect and may allow the City to recover expenses associated from responding to the Emergency, and it also allows for expedited purchasing and acquisition of necessary supplies and services.

DISCUSSION: The United States is responding to a pandemic event with coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) and the President has declared a National State of Emergency. Given orders and pronouncements from the State, County, and others, the City Manager/Director of Emergency Services issued a Declaration of Local Emergency on Sunday, March 15, 2020. This Declaration is provided for in Section 3-1.06 (1) of the Hercules Municipal Code which empowers the Director of Emergency Services to proclaim the existence or threatened existence of a local emergency when the City is affected or likely to be affected by a public calamity and the City Council is not in session.

The Municipal Code provides that the City Manager/Director of Emergency Services Declaration should be ratified by the City Council. This item has been prepared to provide for the required ratification of the Local Emergency Declaration.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Resolution
2. Declaration of Local Emergency dated March 15, 2020
3. HMC Section 3-1.06

