SPECIAL TELECONFERENCE NOTICE

Pursuant to Executive Order N-29-20:

The Brown Act, Government Code Section 54953, contains special requirements that apply when members of a legislative body participate in a public meeting by telephone. Certain of these requirements have been suspended by Paragraph 3 of Executive Order N-29-20, executed by the Governor of California on March 17, 2020, to mitigate the spread of Coronavirus (COVID-19). In particular, the Executive Order suspends that provision of the Brown Act that requires noticing, posting of agendas, and public access to each location where a member will be participating telephonically, as well as provisions that require physical presence of members of the legislative body or the public for purposes of a quorum or to hold a meeting. Executive Order N-29-20 allows an agency to conduct a teleconference meeting that provides members of the public telephonic or other electronic participation in place of making a physical location for the public to observe the meeting and provide public comment, consistent with other provisions of the Brown Act.

The following members of the Lodi City Council are listed to permit them to appear telephonically at the City Council Meeting on May 6, 2020: Mayor Doug Kuehne, Mayor Pro Tempore Alan Nakanishi, and Council Members Mark Chandler and JoAnne Mounce.

Public Comment:

Members of the public can send written comments to the City Council prior to the meeting by emailing councilcomments@lodi.gov. These emails will be provided to the members of the City Council and will become part of the official record of the meeting.

Members of the public who wish to verbally address the City Council during the meeting should email those comments to councilcomments@lodi.gov. Comments must be received before the Mayor or Chair announces that the time for public comment is closed. The Assistant City Clerk will read three minutes of each email into the public record. IMPORTANT: Identify the Agenda Item Number or Oral Communications in the subject line of your email. Example: Public Comment for Agenda Item Number C-17.

Pursuant to the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and Executive Order N-29-20, if you need special assistance to provide public comment in this meeting, please contact the Office of the City Clerk at (209) 333-6702 or cityclerk@lodi.gov at least 48 hours prior to the meeting in order for the City to make reasonable alternative arrangements for you to communicate your comments. If you need special assistance in this meeting for purposes other than providing public comment, please contact the Office of the City Clerk at (209) 333-6702 or cityclerk@lodi.gov at least 48 hours prior to the meeting to enable the City to make reasonable arrangements to ensure accessibility to this meeting (28 CFR 35.160 (b) (1)).

Viewing:

Members of the public may view and listen to the open session of the meeting at https://www.facebook.com/CityofLodi/.
A. Call to Order / Roll Call

B. Regular Calendar

Res. B-1 Adopt Resolution Reaffirming Ratification of City Manager’s Proclamation Finding the Existence of a Local Emergency and Rendering Certain Emergency Orders, Including an Increase Related to the Local Emergency in the City Manager’s Contracting Authority for Services and Goods to a Maximum Amount of $250,000 for the Duration of the Local Emergency (CA)

C. Adjournment

Pursuant to Section 54956.2(a) of the Government Code of the State of California, this agenda was posted at a place freely accessible to the public 24 hours in advance of the scheduled meeting.

Pamela M. Farris
Assistant City Clerk
AGENDA TITLE: Adopt a Resolution Reaffirming the Ratification of the City Manager’s Proclamation Finding the Existence of a Local Emergency and Rendering Certain Emergency Orders, Including an Increase Related to the Local Emergency in the City Manager’s Contracting Authority for Services and Goods to a Maximum Amount of $250,000 for the Duration of the Local Emergency

MEETING DATE: May 6, 2020

PREPARED BY: City Attorney

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Staff recommends that the City Council adopt a resolution reaffirming the ratification of the City Manager’s proclamation finding the existence of a local emergency and rendering certain emergency orders, including an increase related to the local emergency in the City Manager’s contracting authority for services and goods to a maximum amount of $250,000 for the duration of the local emergency.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: At 8:00 a.m. on March 16, 2020, the City Manager declared a Local Emergency pursuant to his authority under Lodi Municipal Code section 2.32.060(A)(1). The declaration was confirmed by the City Council on March 18, 2020 (Gov. Code §8630). Action was taken in response to an outbreak of Novel Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) in San Joaquin County.

An outbreak of Novel Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) has spread throughout numerous countries and across the United States. As of May 5, 2020, there are 574 confirmed cases of COVID-19 in San Joaquin County, 26 fatalities, and evidence of community spread; the number of confirmed cases is anticipated to continue to increase.

COVID-19 is an infectious disease that causes respiratory illness and in some cases can result in lung lesions and pneumonia. Experts believe that a large majority of those infected will have mild cases that often resemble the flu; however, some will have more serious symptoms requiring hospitalization, particularly individuals who are elderly or have underlying chronic health conditions or immunodeficiency.

It is imperative for the City to continue preparations for and respond to suspected or confirmed cases of COVID-19 and to implement measures to mitigate the spread of COVID-19 within our community, and continue preparations to respond to an increasing number of persons requiring medical care or hospitalization.

APPROVED: ________________________

Stephen Schwabauer, City Manager
On March 4, 2020, the Governor of the State of California proclaimed a State of Emergency in California after making a determination that:

1. The conditions caused by COVID-19 are likely to require the combined forces of a mutual aid region or regions to appropriately respond; and

2. Local authority is inadequate to cope with the threat posed by COVID-19.

On March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization declared Novel Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) a “public health emergency of international concern” and referenced the event as a pandemic.

On March 12, 2020, San Joaquin County Public Health Services (PHS) declared a local health emergency pursuant to Health & Safety Code Section 101080.

At 10:00 a.m. on March 12, 2020, the City of Lodi opened its Emergency Operations Center (EOC).

On March 13, 2020, the President of the United States of America declared a National State of Emergency in response to the spread of COVID-19 within the United States.

On March 16, 2020, the City Manager declared a Local Emergency pursuant to his authority under Lodi Municipal Code section 2.32.060(A)(1) in response to an outbreak of Novel Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) in San Joaquin County, the declaration of a local health emergency by PHS, and the President’s declared National State of Emergency. On March 18, 2020, the City Council ratified the proclamation of local emergency pursuant to Government Code Section 8630. Council reaffirmed the ratification of the proclamation on April 15, 2020, as required by the Government Code.

On March 20, 2020, the Public Health Officer of San Joaquin County issued a Stay-At-Home order. The order was superseded by subsequent orders dated March 21, 2020, March 26, 2020, April 14, 2020, and an amendment to the April 14 order issued on April 24, 2020. The April 14, 2020 order remains in effect until such time as it is rescinded by the County’s Public Health Officer.

Staff recommends that the City Council reaffirm its ratification of the City Manager’s declaration of a local emergency and continue the City Manager’s authority to contract for services and goods related to COVID-19, up to a maximum of $250,000 from the current maximum of $20,000, for the duration of the local emergency.

**FUNDING:** The reaffirmation of the ratification of the City Manager’s declaration of Local Emergency allows the City to continue to access federal, state and county resources, including financial reimbursements.

Janice D. Magdich
City Attorney

Attachment:
1) Resolution Reaffirming the Ratification of the Proclamation of the Director of Emergency Services for the City of Lodi Concerning the Existence of a Local Emergency and Extending the Contract Authority of the City Manager for Services and Goods related to the Emergency to $250,000
RESOLUTION NO. 2020-____
A RESOLUTION OF THE LODI CITY COUNCIL
REAFFIRMING THE RATIFICATION OF THE
PROCLAMATION OF THE DIRECTOR OF EMERGENCY
SERVICES FOR THE CITY OF LODI CONCERNING THE
EXISTENCE OF A LOCAL EMERGENCY AND
EXTENDING THE CONTRACT AUTHORITY OF THE
CITY MANAGER FOR SERVICES AND GOODS
RELATED TO THE LOCAL EMERGENCY TO $250,000
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WHEREAS, Government Code Section 8630 and Lodi Municipal Code Section 2.32.060 authorizes the City Manager as the Director of Emergency Services to proclaim a local emergency under certain circumstances if the City Council is not in session, and provides that the City Council shall ratify the proclamation within seven (7) days thereafter; and

WHEREAS, an outbreak of Novel Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) has spread throughout numerous countries and across the United States; and

WHEREAS, COVID-19 is an infectious disease that causes respiratory illness, and in some cases can result in lung lesions and pneumonia. Experts believe that a large majority of those infected will have mild cases that often resemble the flu; however, some will have more serious symptoms requiring hospitalization, particularly individuals who are elderly or have underlying chronic health conditions or immunodeficiency; and

WHEREAS, it is imperative for the City to prepare for and be in a position to respond to suspected or confirmed cases of COVID-19 to implement measures to mitigate the spread of COVID-19 within our community, and prepare to respond to an increasing number of persons requiring medical care or hospitalization; and

WHEREAS, on January 23, 2020, the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) activated its emergency response system to provide ongoing support for the response to COVID-19 in the United States; and

WHEREAS, on January 31, 2020, the Secretary of the federal Department of Health and Human Services declared a public health emergency in the United States of America to aid the nation’s healthcare community in responding to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on March 4, 2020, the Governor of the State of California proclaimed a State of Emergency in California after making a determination that:

1. The conditions caused by COVID-19 are likely to require the combined forces of a mutual aid region or regions to appropriately respond; and

2. Local authority is inadequate to cope with the threat posed by COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization declared Novel Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) a “public health emergency of international concern” and referenced the event as a pandemic; and
WHEREAS, on March 12, 2020, San Joaquin County Public Health Services (PHS) declared a local health emergency pursuant to Health & Safety Code Section 101080; and

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, the President of the United States of America declared a National State of Emergency in response to the spread of COVID-19 within the United States; and

WHEREAS, Lodi Municipal Code Section 2.32.050 designates the City Manager as the Director of Emergency Services for the City of Lodi; and

WHEREAS, Lodi Municipal Code Section 2.32.060(A)(1) authorizes the Director of Emergency Services to proclaim the existence or threatened existence of a local emergency in the event the City Council is not in session; and

WHEREAS, Lodi Municipal Code section 2.32.020 defines an emergency to mean:

"[T]he actual or threatened existence of conditions of disaster or of extreme peril to the safety of persons and property within this city caused by such conditions as air pollution, fire, flood, storm, epidemic, riot or earthquake, or other conditions, including conditions resulting from war or imminent threat of war, which conditions are or are likely to be beyond the control of the services, personnel, equipment and facilities of this city, requiring the combined forces of other political subdivisions to combat. It shall not include nor does any provision of this chapter apply to any condition relating to a labor controversy." and

WHEREAS, on March 18, 2020, the Lodi City Council ratified the Proclamation of the existence of a local emergency issued by the City Manager in his role as the City’s Director of Emergency Services on March 16, 2020 at 8:00 a.m.; and

WHEREAS, on April 15, 2020, the City Council reaffirmed the ratification of the proclamation as required by the Government Code; and

WHEREAS, as of May 5, 2020, there are 574 confirmed cases of COVID-19 in San Joaquin County and 26 fatalities, and evidence of community spread, with the number of confirmed cases anticipated to continue to increase; and

WHEREAS, the Lodi City Council does hereby find that the aforesaid conditions of extreme peril warrant and necessitate the continued existence of a local emergency.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lodi City Council does hereby reaffirm the ratification of the City Manager’s Proclamation of the existence of a local emergency in his role as the City’s Director of Emergency Services on March 16, 2020 at 8:00 a.m., attached hereto as Exhibit A; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Lodi City Council that, until the local emergency is terminated, the powers, functions, and duties of the City Manager/Director of Emergency Services and the emergency organization of the City of Lodi shall be those as prescribed by State law and the ordinances, resolutions, and approved
emergency services plan of the City of Lodi as determined by the City Manager/Director of Emergency Services within the National Incident Management System; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Lodi City Council does hereby reaffirm the approval of an increase in the City Manager’s contracting authority for services and goods related to the City’s response to the local emergency resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic, to a maximum amount of $250,000 from the current maximum of $20,000, for the duration of the local emergency; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Purchasing System set forth in Lodi Municipal Code Chapter 3.20 is suspended for the duration of the local emergency as to the purchase of goods and services related to the City’s response to the local emergency resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that disclosure of the purchase of goods and services in an amount over $10,000, and related to the City’s response to the local emergency resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic, will be submitted to the City Council concurrent with the Council’s reaffirmation of the ratification of the Proclamation declaring the existence of a local emergency. State law requires that the City Council ratify the Proclamation every thirty (30) days hereafter until the local emergency is terminated.

Dated: May 6, 2020
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I hereby certify that Resolution No. 2020-____ was passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Lodi in a regular meeting held May 6, 2020, by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS –

NOES: COUNCIL MEMBERS –

ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS –

ABSTAIN: COUNCIL MEMBERS –

PAMELA M. FARRIS
Assistant City Clerk

Approved as to Form:

Janice D. Magdich
City Attorney

2020-____