

Legislation Text

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#### TO:

Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

### THROUGH:

Bruce Moe, City Manager

### FROM:

Quinn M. Barrow, City Attorney

### SUBJECT:

Consider Adopting a Resolution Confirming the Director of Emergency Services Orders Issued During the Local Emergency Proclaimed to Address COVID-19 (City Attorney Barrow). **ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 20-0051** 

# **RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends that the City Council adopt the accompanying Resolution confirming the Director of Emergency Services Orders issued during the Local Emergency proclaimed to address COVID-19. **FISCAL IMPLICATIONS:** 

There is no impact to the General Fund from adopting this Resolution confirming these Director of Emergency Services Orders. There will be costs in staff resources for the implementation and enforcement of the Orders.

# BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION:

Pursuant to Manhattan Beach Municipal Code Chapter 3.08, the City Manager serves as the Director of Emergency for the City of Manhattan Beach. Due to the threat to the public health and safety of persons and property in the City of Manhattan Beach caused by the global spread of the Coronavirus ("COVID-19") pandemic, the City Council proclaimed the existence of a local emergency on March 13, 2020. On March 17, 2020, the City Council ratified this proclamation of a local emergency.

In the event of a proclamation of a local emergency, Manhattan Beach Municipal Code Section 3.08.060.A.6.a empowers the Director of Emergency Services to make and issue rules and regulations on matters reasonably related to the protection of life and property as affected by such emergency, so long as such rules and regulations are "confirmed at the earliest practicable time" by the City Council. Pursuant to this authority, the Director of Emergency Services issued a series of emergency orders intended to reduce the spread of COVID-19 by – among other things – closing certain City spaces and regulating various activities deemed "essential" by the applicable state and county public health orders and guidelines. These emergency orders, which are described in further detail in the recitals to the accompanying Resolution, must be confirmed by the City Council "at the earliest practicable time" to remain in effect.

# ATTACHMENT:

1. Resolution No. 20-0051