

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-03

**STATE OF MINNESOTA
COUNTY OF ANOKA
CITY OF CIRCLE PINES**

RESOLUTION DECLARING A LOCAL STATE OF EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, the Mayor of the City of Circle Pines, Minnesota (“Mayor”) finds that the following local emergency (“Emergency”) exists in the City of Circle Pines, Minnesota (“City”):

1. The virus named “SARS-CoV-2” is a new strain of coronavirus that has not previously been identified in humans and can easily spread from person to person and which causes a disease named “coronavirus disease 2019,” commonly known as “COVID-19,” which is a respiratory disease that can result in serious injury or death; and
2. On January 31, 2020, the Secretary of the United States Department of Health and Human Services declared a public health emergency for COVID-19, beginning on January 27, 2020; and
3. On March 13, 2020, the President of the United States declared that the COVID-19 outbreak in the United States constitutes a National Emergency; and
4. On March 13, 2020, the Governor of Minnesota issued Emergency Executive Order 20-01 declaring a Peacetime Emergency and Coordinating Minnesota’s Strategy to Protect Minnesotans from COVID-19; and
5. The City faces an imminent threat to life and public health resulting from COVID-19; and
6. The City is confronted with a worldwide pandemic creating threat of disaster of major proportions, in which the safety and welfare of the residents and guests of the City are jeopardized and placed at extreme peril, and in which timely action to contain and mitigate the risk to human life is necessary.

WHEREAS, Minnesota Statutes Section 12.29 authorizes the Mayor to declare the existence of a local emergency, invoke necessary portions of the City’s Emergency Preparedness and Response Plan, and authorize aid and assistance under that Plan; and

WHEREAS, the declaration of an emergency under Minnesota Statutes Chapter 12 by the Governor and/or the Mayor authorizes the City pursuant to Minnesota Statutes Section 12.37 to exercise various powers without compliance with time-consuming procedures and formalities prescribed by law including performance of public work, entering into contracts, incurring of obligations, employment of temporary workers, rental of equipment, purchase of supplies and materials, limitations on tax levies, and appropriation and expenditure of public funds; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor finds that the Emergency is sudden and unforeseen and could not have been anticipated; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor finds that conditions in Minnesota and the threat to residents and guests of the City has worsened considerably as a result of the Emergency; and

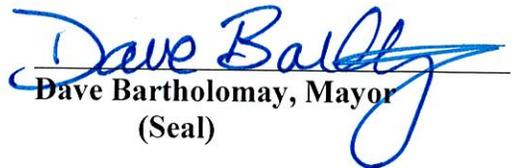
WHEREAS, the Mayor finds that this situation threatens the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of the community and threatens the provision and delivery of city services as a result of the Emergency; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor finds that the Emergency poses the risk of and may cause catastrophic loss of public health, welfare, and safety if not immediately addressed; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor finds that traditional sources of relief are not able to repair or prevent the injury and loss.

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to Minnesota Statutes Section 12.29, the Mayor of the City of Circle Pines, Minnesota, declares a local Emergency effective at 8:00 AM on March 17, 2020 in the City of Circle Pines, Minnesota.

1. This declaration of a local Emergency authorizes City authority under Minnesota Statutes Chapter 12, invokes necessary portions of the City's Emergency Preparedness and Response Plan, and authorizes other appropriate community containment and mitigation strategies.
2. To the extent that normal state laws and city policies and procedures impede an efficient response or compliance with federal and state directives or recommendations, the City Administrator, Emergency Manager, and their designees are hereby authorized to suspend compliance with those laws, policies and procedures as authorized by the Governor's Executive Order 20-01 and Minnesota Statutes Section 12.32, and to take those actions deemed necessary to protect the public health, welfare and safety, including, but not limited to, making emergency purchases of up to \$100,000 to ensure the provision and delivery of city services during the Emergency.
3. This Emergency declaration shall continue for a period of 3 days from its effective date of March 17, 2020, unless further extended by or with the consent of the City Council pursuant to Minnesota Statutes Section 12.29, subd. 1.
4. This declaration shall be given prompt and general publicity and shall be filed promptly by the City Clerk.


Dave Bartholomay, Mayor
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ATTEST:



Patrick Antonen, City Administrator