

CITY OF RICHFIELD
CITY COUNCIL AFFIRMATION OF LOCAL EMERGENCY
COVID-19

WHEREAS, the President of the United States and the Governor of the State of Idaho have declared a health emergency related to the threat of Covid-19 and

WHEREAS, PURSUANT TO Idaho Code 46-1011 the Mayor of the City of Richfield has declared a local disaster emergency on the 26th day March, 2020, due to the threat of Covid-19; and

WHEREAS, said declaration sets forth legal and factual considerations in support of such declaration, and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Richfield recognizes the imminent threat of widespread and severe harm to the health of residents and visitors to the City of Richfield as addressed by the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) and by actions of the Governor of the State of Idaho, and

WHEREAS, such declaration activates the response and recovery aspects of applicable local or intergovernmental disaster emergency plans for the furnishing of aid and assistance; and

WHEREAS, the emergency referenced herein exists because the contagious nature and potentially serious consequences of the COVID-19 virus for residents and visitors to The City of Richfield and requires state emergency assistance to supplement local efforts to protect life, health and property; and

WHEREAS, Idaho Code 67-2808 authorizes the council of the City of Richfield to declare an emergency and that the public interest and necessity may demand the immediate expenditure of public money without compliance with formal bidding procedures; and

WHEREAS, an emergency declaration must be filed with the county recorder's office and "given prompt and general publicity."

NOW THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Richfield does hereby declare:

That a Local Disaster Emergency exists and that all efforts will be made to protect the citizens and property of The City of Richfield through activation of all local disaster emergency plans and state emergency assistance; and

That this Local Disaster Emergency shall continue until the Centers for Disease Control and the Governor of the State of Idaho sound an end to the emergency and the City Council expressly authorizes the discontinuance of such Declaration; and

Pursuant to this Resolution the following steps are expressly authorized in furtherance of the foregoing emergency declaration:

- Closing of the City Office
- Utility Bills may be paid by dropping payment through drop box on the front door of the City Office or mailing payments To the City of Richfield. (If paying with cash we will be unable to make change for you).
- Authorizing the Mayor, in consultation with the Council President, to establish other administration policies necessary to protect the public health and safety
- Please contact the City Office at 208 487-2755, for any city business or information

That this Declaration of Local Disaster Emergency (“Declaration”) shall be promptly filed with the Lincoln County Recorder’s Office; and

That prompt and general publicity shall be given by a press release notifying the public of this Declaration.

Approved by the City Council of the City of Richfield this 26TH day of March, 2020.

Mayor Tom Naylor

ATTEST:

City Clerk Lu Ann Swainston

Date:3/26/2020