

RESOLUTION 5.11.2020-3

RESOLUTION TO EXTEND DECLARATION OF A STATE OF EMERGENCY IN THE CITY OF SUGAR HILL, GEORGIA DURING THE PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY OF THE NOVEL CORONAVIRUS DISEASE 2019 (COVID-19) GLOBAL PANDEMIC

WHEREAS, beginning in late 2019, the severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2, SARS-CoV-2, emerged causing a novel coronavirus disease, COVID-19, which has now become a global pandemic; and

WHEREAS, the World Health Organization has declared the novel coronavirus known as COVID-19 a world health emergency and a pandemic; and

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, the President of the United States declared a National Public Health Emergency; and

WHEREAS, on March 14, 2020, the Governor of the State of Georgia issued Executive Order No. 03.14.20.01 declaring a Public Health State of Emergency in Georgia and the Georgia General Assembly concurred with the Governor's declaration on March 16, 2020; and

WHEREAS, on March 16, 2020, the Chairman of the Gwinnett County Board of Commissioners declared a Local Emergency in Gwinnett County, pursuant to her authority under the Gwinnett County Emergency Management Ordinance, to allow the County to quickly and appropriately respond to the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, on March 20, 2020, the City Council of the City of Sugar Hill adopted Resolution 3.20.2020-1 declaring a Public Health State of Emergency in the City of Sugar Hill due to the rapid spread of COVID-19, pursuant to Section 1.12 (8) of the Charter of the City of Sugar Hill; and

WHEREAS, on March 23, 2020, the Governor issued Executive Order No. 03.23.20.01, which required the Department of Public Health to order that certain specific higher risk populations isolate, quarantine, or shelter in place; and

WHEREAS, on April 8, 2020, the Governor issued Executive Order No. 04.08.20.02, which extends the statewide Public Health State of Emergency declaration until 11:59 p.m. on May 13, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that Resolution 3.20.2020-1 adopted on March 20, 2020 does not in any way conflict, vary, or differ from Executive Orders issued by the Governor of Georgia; and

WHEREAS, the City Council determines that the declaration and extension of a public health state of emergency within the City is necessary to enforce compliance with Executive Orders issued by the Governor of Georgia; and

WHEREAS, on April 30, 2020, the Governor issued Executive Order No. 04.30.20.01, which extends the statewide Public Health State of Emergency declaration until 11:59 p.m. on June 12, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the CDC indicates that there is continued evidence of community transmission in Georgia; and

WHEREAS, the CDC and public health officials expect that additional cases of COVID-19 will be identified in the coming days; and

WHEREAS, after consultation with local health care providers, the local public health department, and leaders of other municipalities in the County and leaders of Gwinnett County, the City Council has determined that it is necessary to extend the Public Health State of Emergency.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED AND DECREED, and it is hereby ordered and decreed as follows:

Section 1: The Public Health State of Emergency declared by the City Council, on March 20, 2020 in Resolution 3.20.2020-1 and extended on April 13, 2020 in Resolution 4.13.2020-2, is hereby further extended and shall continue to be in effect until 11:59 p.m. on June 12, 2020, or until it is extended, rescinded, superseded, or amended in writing by further action.

Section 3: All provisions and sections of Resolution 3.20.2020-1 adopted on March 20, 2020 and Resolution 4.13.2020-2 adopted on April 13, 2020 shall continue in full force and effect.

SO ORDERED AND DECREED, this 11th day of May, 2020.

Steve Edwards, Mayor

Attest:

Jane Whittington, City Clerk

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