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CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA

Notice is hereby given of a special meeting of the La Porte City Council to be held March 20, 2020 , beginning at 3:00 PM , in the City Hall Council Chambers, 604 West Fairmont Parkway, La Porte, Texas , for the purpose of considering the following agenda items. All agenda items are subject to action.

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. CITIZEN COMMENT *(Generally limited to five minutes per person; in accordance with state law, the time may be reduced if there is a high number of speakers or other considerations.)*

3. STATUTORY AGENDA

- (a) Presentation, discussion and possible action to approve the extension of the March 13, 2020 Disaster Declaration for the City of La Porte, Texas, resulting from COVID-19 (novel coronavirus). [Corby Alexander, City Manager]

4. COUNCIL COMMENT - *Hear announcements concerning matters appearing on the agenda; items of community interest; and/or inquiries of staff regarding specific factual information or existing policy from the Mayor, Councilmembers, and City staff, for which no formal action will be discussed or taken.*

5. ADJOURN

If, during the course of the meeting and discussion of any items covered by this notice, City Council determines that a Closed or Executive Session of the Council is required, then such closed meeting will be held as authorized by Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, Section 551.071 - consultation with counsel on legal matters; Section 551.072 - deliberation regarding purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property; Section 551.073 - deliberation regarding a prospective gift; Section 551.074 - personnel matters regarding the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee; Section 551.076 - implementation of security personnel or devices; Section 551.087 - deliberation regarding economic development negotiation; Section 551.089 - deliberation regarding security devices or security audits, and/or other matters as authorized under the Texas Government Code. If a Closed or Executive Session is held in accordance with the Texas Government Code as set out above, the City Council will reconvene in Open Session in order to take action, if necessary, on the items addressed during Executive Session.

Persons with disabilities who plan to attend this meeting and who may need auxiliary aids or services are requested to contact the City Secretary's office (281-470-5019), two working days prior to the meeting for appropriate arrangements.

CERTIFICATE

I, Lee Woodward, City Secretary, do hereby certify that a copy of the March 20, 2020, City Council agenda was posted on the City Hall bulletin board, a place convenient and readily accessible to the general public at all times, and to the City's website, www.LaPorteTX.gov, in compliance with Chapter 551, Texas Government Code.

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Lee Woodward

Lee Woodward, City Secretary



REQUEST FOR CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM

Agenda Date Requested: <u>March 20, 2020</u>
Requested By: <u>Corby Alexander, City Mgr</u>
Department: <u>Administration/CMO</u>
<input checked="" type="radio"/> Report <input type="radio"/> Resolution <input type="radio"/> Ordinance

Appropriation	
Source of Funds:	_____
Account Number:	_____
Amount Budgeted:	_____
Amount Requested:	_____
Budgeted Item:	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No

Exhibits: Disaster Declaration issued by Mayor Rigby on Friday, March 13, 2020 and Extension of Disaster Declaration

SUMMARY

On March 13, 2020, the Mayor for the City of La Porte signed a Declaration of Disaster related to the pandemic flu outbreak or other health emergency resulting from COVID-19 (novel coronavirus). Pursuant to Texas Local Government Code 418.108(a) a local state of disaster may be declared. However, 418.108(b) states that the state of disaster shall only continue for a period of not more than seven days from the date of that declaration unless continued or renewed by the governing body.

In order to continue or renew the original Declaration of Disaster, an Extension of Disaster Declaration needs to be approved by City of La Porte City Council. The attached Extension of Disaster Declaration shall continue until terminated by executive order of the Mayor or the governing body of La Porte. The Extension of Disaster Declaration shall become effective on March 20, 2020.

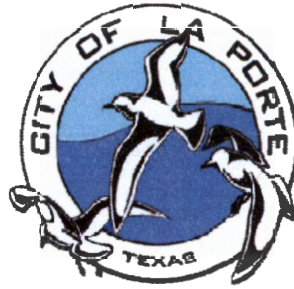
RECOMMENDED MOTION

Approve an Extension of Disaster Declaration issued by the Mayor on March 13, 2020 and any orders, rules, and regulations issued by the Mayor pursuant thereto.

Approved for the City Council meeting agenda

Corby D. Alexander, City Manager

Date



DECLARATION OF DISASTER

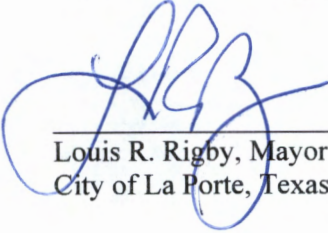
WHEREAS, the citizens of the City of La Porte, Texas, could be facing the spread of a pandemic flu outbreak or other health emergency resulting from COVID-19 (novel coronavirus).

WHEREAS, the Mayor of the City of La Porte, Texas, has determined that extraordinary measures must be taken to alleviate the suffering of people and to protect its citizens from a public health threat,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF LA PORTE, TEXAS:

1. That a local state of disaster is hereby declared for the City of La Porte, Texas, pursuant to §418.108(a) of the Texas Government Code.
2. Pursuant to §418.108(b) of the Texas Government Code, the state of disaster shall continue for a period of not more than seven days from the date of this declaration unless continued or renewed by the City Council of the City of La Porte, Texas.
3. Pursuant to §418.108(c) of the Texas Government Code, this declaration of a local state of disaster shall be given prompt and general publicity and shall be filed promptly with the City Secretary.
4. Pursuant to §418.108(d) of the Texas Government Code, this declaration of a local state of disaster activates the city emergency management plan.
5. That this proclamation shall take effect immediately from and after its issuance.

ORDERED this the 13 day of MARCH, 2020.



Louis R. Rigby, Mayor
City of La Porte, Texas



EXTENSION OF DISASTER DECLARATION

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, the Mayor of the City of La Porte, Texas issued a proclamation declaring a state of disaster for the City of La Porte, Texas, resulting from COVID-19 (novel coronavirus).

WHEREAS, the conditions necessitating declaration of a state of disaster continue to exist; and

WHEREAS, §418.108(b) of the Texas Government Code provides that a local state of disaster may not be continued for a period of excess of seven days without the consent of the governing body of the political subdivision;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA PORTE, TEXAS:

1. That the state of disaster proclaimed for the City of La Porte, Texas, by the Mayor on March 13, 2020, shall continue until terminated by executive order of the Mayor or by the governing body of the political subdivision.

2. This declaration is passed as an emergency measure and pursuant to Sec. 26-3 of the La Porte Code of Ordinances and shall become effective on the 20th day of March, 2020.

PASSED AND ADOPTED, this ____ day of _____, 20____.

APPROVED, this ____ day of _____, 20__.

Bill Bentley, Mayor Pro-Tem
City of La Porte, Texas