



PROCLAMATION 2020-01

MAYOR'S PROCLAMATION DECLARING A LOCAL EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, COVID-19 (also known as the Novel Coronavirus Disease 2019) is a respiratory disease that can result in serious illness or death, is caused by the SARS-CoV-2 virus, which is a new strain of coronavirus that had not been previously identified in humans and can easily spread from person to person; and

WHEREAS, the World Health Organization has declared the COVID-19 disease a global pandemic; and

WHEREAS, the Centers of Disease Control has identified the potential public health threat posed by COVID-19, and has advised that person-to-person spread of COVID-19 will continue to occur; and

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, President Donald Trump declared the COVID-19 outbreak in the United States constitutes a National Emergency; and

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, Minnesota Governor Tim Walz declared a Peacetime State of Emergency to authorize any and all necessary resources to be used in support of the COVID-19 response;

WHEREAS, the Mayor finds that the COVID-19 disease threatens the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the community; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor also finds that an emergency declaration is in the best interest of the City to allow City staff the necessary resources and authority and to allow the City to work with our partners at the local, county, state and national level to respond to the COVID-19 disease.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that I, Robert Nelson, Mayor of the City of Spring Lake Park, Minnesota, declare, request and direct as follows:

1. Under the authority given in Minnesota Statutes 12.29 and Spring Lake Park City Code Section 32.05, declare that a local emergency exists within the city of Spring Lake Park, effective March 16, 2020.
2. Direct the Administrator, Clerk/Treasurer to enact emergency regulations as he determines appropriate to support the residents of the city of Spring Lake Park. Such emergency regulations shall be communicated to the City Council at the earliest availability.


3. Direct the City's Emergency Management Director to implement applicable sections of the City's Disaster Response Plan and to request and coordinate appropriate aid and resources from surrounding communities, Anoka County, Ramsey County, and the State of Minnesota, as needed.
4. Determine that in-person meetings of the City Council, Planning Commission and Parks and Recreation Commission are not practical or prudent because of the COVID-19 pandemic and hereby authorize future meetings of these bodies to be conducted in accordance with M.S. 13D.021, as may be amended from time to time.
5. Request that the City Council, at its meeting on March 16, 2020, discuss the situation and this declaration. A state of local emergency may only be continued for a period of three days unless extended by the City Council

DATED this 16th day of March, 2020 at 5:30pm.





Robert Nelson, Mayor

ATTEST:


Daniel R. Buchholtz, City Administrator