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June 2, 2020

HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL City of Long Beach California

# **RECOMMENDATION:**

Adopt Resolution of the City Council of the City of Long Beach ratifying the Director of Civil Defense's proclamation of the existence of a local emergency and confirming the Director's regulations proclaiming local emergency curfews. (Citywide)

## DISCUSSION

On May 25, 2020, George Floyd tragically died in Minneapolis, Minnesota, shortly after his detention and arrest by the Minneapolis Police Department resulting in nationwide grief and demonstrations. These demonstrations resulted in civil unrest in many areas around the country including in Los Angeles County. On May 30, 2020, due to ongoing acts of civil unrest and limited local resources, Governor Gavin Newsom proclaimed a State of Emergency for all of Los Angeles County in accordance with the California Emergency Services Act, and directed all residents to heed the advice of local emergency officials with respect to the emergency existing by virtue of said civil unrest.

Section 2.69.060 of the Long Beach Municipal Code (LBMC) empowers the Director of Civil Defense (City Manager) to proclaim, when the City Council is not in session, the existence or threatened existence of a local emergency when the City is affected or is likely to be affected by a public calamity. On May 31, 2020, it was found that conditions of extreme peril to the safety of persons and property were threatened to and did arise within the City as a result of civil unrest.

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Accordingly, the City Manager proclaimed the existence of a local emergency within the City on May 31, 2020 (Attachment A). The City Manager also issued a citywide curfew commencing on May 31, 2020, at 8:00 p.m., exempting certain individuals including but not limited to law enforcement and firefighter personnel, persons providing or seeking emergency care, and persons traveling to and from their place of employment (Attachment B). That emergency curfew expired on June 1, 2020, at 5:00 a.m.

On June 1, 2020, the City Manager issued two additional curfews: a citywide curfew commencing at 4:00 p.m., and a curfew specifically for business districts, including but not limited to <u>Business Improvement Districts</u> (BIDs), commencing at 1:00 p.m. (Attachment C). Both of these curfews expired on June 2, 2020, at 5:00 a.m.

Today's action requests that the City Council pass a Resolution to ratify the City Manager's proclamation of the existence of a local emergency and confirm the City Manager's local emergency curfew regulations. This Resolution would further declare that the local emergency will continue until it is terminated by the City Council, and that the City Council will continue to review the need for this local emergency at least every fourteen (14) days.

## SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Very truly yours,

CHARLES PARKIN, City Attorney

By:

MONICA J. KILAITA Deputy City Attorney

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#### Attachments:

Attachment A – City Manager Proclamation of Local Emergency

Attachment B – City Manager Regulation of Local Emergency Curfew

Attachment C – City Manager Regulation of Extended/Additional Local Emergency Curfews Resolution Ratifying Emergency and Confirming Curfew Regulations

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A PROCLAMATION BY THE CITY MANAGER OF THE
CITY OF LONG BEACH ACTING IN HIS CAPACITY AS
THE DIRECTOR OF CIVIL DEFENSE OF THE CITY OF
LONG BEACH DECLARING THE EXISTENCE OF A
LOCAL EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, on May 25, 2020, George Floyd tragically died in Minneapolis, Minnesota, shortly after his detention and arrest by the Minneapolis Police Department, resulting in nationwide demonstrations and, in some areas, civil unrest; and

WHEREAS, on May 30, 2020, due to ongoing acts of civil unrest and limited local resources, Governor Gavin Newsom proclaimed a State of Emergency for all of Los Angeles County in accordance with the California Emergency Services Act (in particular, Government Code section 8625), and directed all residents to heed the advice of local emergency officials with respect to the emergency existing by virtue of said civil unrest; and

WHEREAS, Long Beach Municipal Code Chapter 2.69 empowers the Director of Civil Defense (City Manager) to proclaim, subject to ratification by the City Council within seven days, the existence or threatened existence of a local emergency when said City is affected or likely to be affected by a disaster or major emergency and the City Council is not in session; and

WHEREAS, the Director of Civil Defense of the City of Long Beach hereby finds that an extreme threat to life, safety, and property now exists, or is threatened to exist, in the City due to civil unrest following the tragic death of George Floyd; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Long Beach is not in session and cannot immediately be called into session, and the aforementioned conditions of extreme threat to public health and safety warrant and necessitate that the Director of Civil Defense

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proclaim the existence of a local emergency; and

WHEREAS, as the Director of Civil Defense of the City of Long Beach, I do hereby find:

As contemplated by the Emergency Services Act set forth in Government Code Section 8550 et seq., including Section 8558(c), the following condition exists, or is threatened to exist: civil unrest, including but not limited to acts of arson, looting, assaults, vandalism, and rioting.

The aforesaid condition commenced, or existence of said condition became threatened, on or about the 31st day of May 2020; and

The area of the City which is endangered/imperiled, or is anticipated to be endangered/imperiled, is throughout the entire City of Long Beach.

NOW, THEREFORE, I HEREBY PROCLAIM that a local emergency now exists in the City of Long Beach.

I HEREBY PROCLAIM AND ORDER that during the existence of said local emergency, the powers, functions, and duties of the emergency organization of this City shall be those prescribed by state law, by ordinances, and resolutions of the City of Long Beach and previously approved by the City Council.

I HEREBY FURTHER PROCLAIM AND ORDER that said local emergency shall be deemed to continue to exist until its termination is proclaimed by the City Council of the City of Long Beach, State of California. The City Council shall review the need for continuing this local emergency at least every 14 days and shall terminate it at the earliest possible date the condition(s) warrant.

DATED this 31st day of May 2020.

Director of Civil Defense / City Manager

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# REGULATION OF THE CITY MANAGER OF THE CITY OF LONG BEACH ACTING IN HIS CAPACITY AS THE DIRECTOR OF CIVIL DEFENSE OF THE CITY OF LONG BEACH PROCLAIMING A LOCAL EMERGENCY CURFEW

As the Director of Civil Defense of the City of Long Beach, by virtue of the power vested in me by the provisions of Section 2.69.070 of the Long Beach Municipal Code and relevant provisions of the California Government Code, including but not limited to Section 8634, and my related Proclamation of Local Emergency issued on May 31, 2020, together with Governor Gavin Newsom's Proclamation of a State of Emergency in Los Angeles County resulting from ongoing acts of civil unrest and limited local resources, as issued by the Governor on May 30, 2020, I do hereby make, order, and promulgate the following Regulation to be effective immediately in the City of Long Beach, to wit:

- 1. Curfew is hereby ordered from 8:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m. within the City of Long Beach, effective immediately.
- 2. No persons shall travel or be upon the public streets, avenues, alleys, parks, ways, or any other public place in the City of Long Beach between the hours of 8:00 p.m. and 5:00 a.m. for the duration of this curfew, except as expressly authorized herein. For purposes of this curfew regulation, "travel" shall include, but is not limited to, traveling on foot, bicycle, skateboard, scooter, motorcycle, or automobile, or any other means of conveyance.
- 3. Law enforcement personnel are hereby authorized and charged with the responsibility of enforcing this curfew regulation, and are further authorized to arrest any such person that fails to obey this curfew regulation after due notice, oral or written, as has been given to said person, in accordance with applicable law, including but not limited to Long Beach Municipal Code Sections 1.32.010 and 2.69.110.B, which together deem any act in violation of this curfew regulation a misdemeanor.

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work, individuals seeking er	mergency care, individuals traveling to and from their place o
employment, and represent	atives of the media are exempt from this Regulation.

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DATED this 31st day of May 2020.

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Director of Civil Defense / City Manager

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# REGULATION OF THE CITY MANAGER OF THE CITY OF LONG BEACH ACTING IN HIS CAPACITY AS THE DIRECTOR OF CIVIL DEFENSE OF THE CITY OF LONG BEACH PROCLAIMING EXTENDED AND ADDITIONAL LOCAL EMERGENCY CURFEWS

As the Director of Civil Defense of the City of Long Beach, by virtue of the power vested in me by the provisions of Section 2.69.070 of the Long Beach Municipal Code and relevant provisions of the California Government Code, including but not limited to Section 8634, and my related Proclamation of Local Emergency issued on May 31, 2020, together with Governor Gavin Newsom's Proclamation of a State of Emergency in Los Angeles County resulting from ongoing acts of civil unrest and limited local resources, as issued by the Governor on May 30, 2020, I do hereby make, order, and promulgate the following Regulation to be effective immediately in the City of Long Beach, to wit:

- 1. Curfews are hereby ordered as follows, effective immediately:
- Α. From 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m. within the City of Long Beach's jurisdictional boundaries; and
- В. From 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m. within the boundaries of the following Business Improvement Districts (BIDs)<sup>1</sup> or other business districts of the City of Long Beach as follows:
  - i. Belmont Shore PBIA/ Naples
  - ii. Bixby Knolls PBIA
  - iii. Downtown Long Beach PBIA
  - iv. Downtown Long Beach PBID
  - East Anaheim PBIA ٧.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See http://www.longbeach.gov/economicdevelopment/business-development/business-improvementdistricts/ for more information on BIDs, including maps

vi.	Fourth Street PBIA
vii.	Long Beach Tourism BIA - Downtown
viii.	Long Beach Tourism BIA - Airport
ix.	Magnolia Industrial Group PBID

x. Midtown PBID

xi. Uptown PBID

xii. The Pike

xiii. Long Beach Towne Center

xiv. Douglas Park Business District

xv. 2ND & PCH

These curfews shall extend and/or be in addition to any prior curfew regulation(s) issued during this local emergency.

- 2. No persons shall travel or be upon the public streets, avenues, alleys, parks, ways, or any other public place in the City of Long Beach, or the specified BID as applicable, for the duration of the curfews specified in Paragraph 1, except as expressly authorized herein. For purposes of this curfew regulation, "travel" shall include, but is not limited to, traveling on foot, bicycle, skateboard, scooter, motorcycle, or automobile, or any other means of conveyance.
- 3. Law enforcement personnel are hereby authorized and charged with the responsibility of enforcing this regulation ordering curfews, and are further authorized to arrest any such person that fails to obey this regulation ordering curfews after due notice, oral or written, as has been given to said person, in accordance with applicable law, including but not limited to Long Beach Municipal Code Sections 1.32.010 and 2.69.110.B, which together deem any act in violation of this regulation ordering curfews a misdemeanor.
- 4. Law enforcement personnel, firefighting personnel, emergency health care providers, emergency medical personnel, civilians engaged in police or emergency work, individuals seeking emergency care, individuals traveling to and from their place of

employment, representatives of the media, businesses closing up their operation(s), and persons assisting with clean-up efforts of any destruction resulting from civil unrest are exempt from this Regulation.

5. This Regulation shall remain in effect until 5:00 a.m. on June 2, 2020, and widespread publicity and notice shall be given of said Regulation through the most feasible and adequate means of disseminating such information and notice throughout the City of Long Beach.

DATED this 1st day of June 2020.

Director of Civil Defense / City Manager

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## RESOLUTION NO.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF LONG BEACH RATIFYING THE DIRECTOR OF
CIVIL DEFENSE'S PROCLAMATION OF THE EXISTENCE
OF A LOCAL EMERGENCY AND CONFIRMING THE
DIRECTOR'S REGULATIONS PROCLAIMING LOCAL
EMERGENCY CURFEWS

WHEREAS, on May 25, 2020, George Floyd tragically died in Minneapolis, Minnesota, shortly after his detention and arrest by the Minneapolis Police Department, resulting in nationwide grief and demonstrations;

WHEREAS, unfortunately, some areas, including Los Angeles County, have experienced civil unrest, including but not limited to acts of arson, looting, assaults, vandalism, and rioting; and

WHEREAS, on May 30, 2020, due to ongoing acts of civil unrest and limited local resources, Governor Gavin Newsom proclaimed a State of Emergency for all of Los Angeles County in accordance with the California Emergency Services Act (in particular, Government Code section 8625), and directed all residents to heed the advice of local emergency officials with respect to the emergency existing by virtue of said civil unrest; and

WHEREAS, Section 2.69.060 of the Long Beach Municipal Code empowers the Director of Civil Defense (City Manager) of the City of Long Beach to proclaim, when the Long Beach City Council is not in session, the existence or threatened existence of a local emergency when said City is affected or likely to be affected by a public calamity; and

WHEREAS, conditions of extreme peril to the safety of persons and property were anticipated and did so arise within the City, caused by civil unrest including but not limited to arson, vandalism, and looting, commencing on or about May 31, 2020; and

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WHEREAS, the Council does hereby find that the aforesaid conditions of extreme peril did warrant and necessitate the proclamation of the existence of a local emergency, and other emergency actions as deemed necessary; and

WHEREAS, the Director of Civil Defense of the City of Long Beach did proclaim the existence of a local emergency within the City on May 31, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Director of Civil Defense of the City of Long Beach did issue regulations proclaiming local emergency curfews within said City commencing on May 31, 2020, and ending on June 2, 2020;

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED that said proclamation of existence of a local emergency, as issued by the Director of Civil Defense on May 31, 2020, is hereby ratified by the City Council pursuant to Section 2.69.060(B)(1) of the Long Beach Municipal Code; and

IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED that said local emergency shall be deemed to continue to exist until its termination is proclaimed by the City Council. The City Council shall review the need for continuing this local emergency at least every 14 days and shall terminate it at the earliest possible date the conditions warrant; and

IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED that pursuant to Section 2.69.070(A) of the Long Beach Municipal Code, the City Council hereby confirms the local emergency curfews, issued by the Director of Civil Defense, ordering that all persons, except law enforcement and firefighting personnel, emergency health care providers, emergency medical personnel, civilians engaged in police or emergency work, individuals seeking emergency care, individuals traveling to and from their place of employment, representatives of the media, businesses closing up their operation(s), and persons assisting with clean-up efforts of any destruction resulting from civil unrest, are prohibited from being or traveling upon the public streets, avenues, alleys, parks, or any other public place in the City of Long Beach, during the following dates and times:

(1) Commencing on May 31, 2020, at 8:00 p.m., and expiring on June 1, 2020, at 5:00 a.m., for a citywide curfew;

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	I hereby o	ertify that the foregoing re	esolution was	adopted by the City	Council
of the City	of Long Bea	ch at its meeting of	, 20	, by the following	vote:
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