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RESOLUTION NO. 20.017

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF LAGUNA BEACH RATIFYING THE
PROCLAMATION OF THE EXISTENCE OF A LOCAL
EMERGENCY BY THE DIRECTOR OF EMERGENCY
SERVICES, AND AUTHORIZING EMERGENCY
ORDERS, RULES AND REGULATIONS**

WHEREAS, Chapter 2.16 of the Laguna Beach Municipal Code provides for the preparation and carrying out of plans for the protection of persons and property within this City in the event of an emergency, the direction of the emergency organization, and the coordination of the emergency functions of the City with other public agencies, corporations, organizations and affected private persons; and

WHEREAS, conditions of extreme peril to the health, safety and general welfare of persons has arisen both internationally and within the United States as a result of the introduction of the novel coronavirus (COVID-19), a novel communicable disease, which was first detected in Wuhan City, Hubei Province, China in December 2019; and

WHEREAS, as of March 2020, the World Health Organization reported that to date, there were 113,702 confirmed cases of COVID-19, 4,012 of which have resulted in death, across 110 countries; and

WHEREAS, it is imperative to prepare for and respond to suspected or confirmed COVID-19 cases, to implement measures to mitigate the spread of COVID-19, and to prepare to respond to an increasing number of individuals requiring medical care and hospitalization; and

WHEREAS, in order to ensure the City can appropriately respond to the issues surrounding COVID-19, on March 15, 2020, the City Manager, in his authorized capacity as the Director of Emergency Services, and in accordance with provisions of the California Emergency Services Act (Government Code Section 8550 et seq.) and Chapter 2.16 of the Laguna Beach Municipal Code, concluded that the above-described conditions constitute extreme peril to the health, safety and general welfare of persons and property within the City and thereupon issued a Proclamation of the Existence of a Local Emergency; and

1 WHEREAS, the City Council finds that the introduction of the novel coronavirus (COVID-
2 19) and effects thereof constitute conditions of local emergency and extreme peril to the health, safety
3 and general welfare of persons and property within the City; and

4 WHEREAS, the City Council recognizes that measures may be required on an urgent and/or
5 expedited basis to mobilize local resources, coordinate interagency response, and accelerate
6 procurement of vital supplies constituting the local emergency;

7 NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAGUNA BEACH DOES
8 HEREBY RESOLVE AND ORDER AS FOLLOWS:

9 Section 1. Pursuant to Government Code Section 8630(b) and Laguna Beach Municipal
10 Code Section 2.16.060(A)(1), the City Council hereby ratifies the Proclamation of the Existence of
11 a Local Emergency by the Director of Emergency Services issued on March 15, 2020.

12 Section 2. The City Council finds that the conditions of local emergency and extreme
13 peril to the life, health, safety and general welfare of persons and property within the City continue
14 to exist.

15 Section 3. The City Council authorizes the City Manager to make, issue and enforce
16 orders, rules and regulations that are related to the immediate protection of life, health, safety and
17 general welfare of persons and property within the City.

18 Section 4. The City Council authorizes the City Manager to make, issue and enforce
19 orders, rules and regulation that are related to the protection of the public from spreading of the
20 COVID-19 virus.

21 Section 5. The City Council finds that there is insufficient time to comply with normal
22 bidding procedures and requirements due to potential for immediate impact to public health, and for
23 that reason, in accordance with the provisions of Laguna Beach Municipal Code Section 2.3.0.050(a),
24 the City Council authorizes the City Manager to negotiate and execute contracts in an amount or
25 amounts not to exceed Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000), without compliance to normal
26 bidding procedures and requirements, for services, labor, equipment and materials for all services as
27 are determined necessary by the City Manager.
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1 Section 6. In accordance with Government Code Section 8630(c), the City Manager or his
2 designee shall place this item on the agenda for a meeting of the City Council within sixty (60) days
3 to review the need for continuing the local emergency.

4 ADOPTED this 17th day of March, 2020.

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7 Bob Whalen, Mayor

8 ATTEST:

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11 Lisette Chel-Walker, City Clerk

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14 I, LISETTE CHEL-WALKER, City Clerk of the City of Laguna Beach, California, do
15 hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution No. 20.017 was duly adopted at a Regular Meeting of
16 the City Council of said City held on March 17, 2020, by the following vote:

- 17 AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Blake, Iseman, Kempf, Dicterow, Whalen
18 NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: None
19 ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: None

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22 Lisette Chel-Walker, City Clerk

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