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**AGENDA REPORT  
REQUEST FOR CITY COUNCIL ACTION**

DATE: 3/18/2020

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council Members

FROM: Fire Department

**SUBJECT:**

City Council consideration of emergency findings under Government Code Section 54952.2(b)(1) and a resolution ratifying and extending the proclamation of existence of a Local Emergency by the Director of Emergency Services regarding Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) pursuant to Government Code Section 8630.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

**That the City Council:**

- a. Make a determination, by a majority vote of the City Council, pursuant to Government Code Section 54952.2(b)(1) that an emergency situation exists due the potential for the COVID-19 pandemic to severely impair public health and safety.
- b. If the City Council makes a determination that an emergency situation exists, adopt Resolution No. 2020-010 ratifying and extending the proclamation of the existence of a local emergency by the Director of Emergency Services regarding the COVID-19 pandemic.

**ANALYSIS:**

On March 8, 2020 the Riverside County's Public Health Officer declared a local health emergency based on an imminent and proximate threat to public health from the introduction of a Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) in Riverside County. On March 10, 2020, the County of Riverside proclaimed a local emergency due to the threat of COVID-19 in the County and the first confirmed case within the County. On March 11 the World Health Organization declared COVID-19 a pandemic, pointing to the over 118,000 cases of the coronavirus illness in over 110 countries and territories around the world and the sustained risk of further global spread. COVID-19 has created conditions that are beyond the control of the services, personnel, equipment and facilities of the City of Corona, and require the combined forces of other political subdivisions to combat. Due to the severity and the dynamics of this ever-evolving pandemic we are requesting the Council allow this item to be added

to the agenda. Under the Brown Act, the Council can only discuss items that are listed on an agenda that is posted/published 72 hours prior to the meeting. However, the Brown Act allows items to be added if the Council can make a determination that an emergency situation exists under Government Code Section 54954.2(b)(1). This determination must be made by a majority of the City Council, which means that 3 of the 5 Council Members must vote in favor regardless of whether less than 5 members actually attend the meeting.

**COMMITTEE ACTION:**

Not applicable.

**STRATEGIC PLAN:**

Not applicable.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

No fiscal impact.

**ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS:**

There is no environmental analysis required for this recommended action.

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**SUBMITTED BY:** JACOB ELLIS, CITY MANAGER

**Attachments:**

1. Resolution No. 2020-010
2. Proclamation of Local Emergency