1. ORDINANCES (NOT REQUIRING PUBLIC HEARINGS)

1.A. Consider For Approval An Ordinance Of The City Of Galveston, Texas, Declaring A State Of Disaster And Emergency In The City Of Galveston Related To The Threat Posed By Hurricane Marco And Tropical Storm Laura To The City Of Galveston; Extending The State Of Emergency Ordered By Mayor Pro Tem Brown, Extending Various Emergency Order Issued By The Mayor Pro Tem; Making Various Findings And Provisions Related To The Subject, Providing For A Penalty And Providing For An Effective Date. (Legal)

Documents:
ORDINANCE AFFIRMING STATE OF EMERGENCY.DOCX

I certify that the above Notice of Meeting was posted in a place convenient to the public in compliance with Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code on August 24, 2020 at 10:30 A.M.

Janelle Williams, City Secretary

IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT (ADA), PERSONS IN NEED OF A SPECIAL ACCOMMODATION TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS PROCEEDING SHALL, WITHIN THREE (3) DAYS PRIOR TO ANY PROCEEDING, CONTACT THE CITY SECRETARY’S OFFICE, SUITE 201, 823 ROSENBERG, GALVESTON, TEXAS 77550 (409-797-3510).
ORDINANCE NO. 20- ___

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GALVESTON, TEXAS, DECLARING A STATE OF DISASTER AND EMERGENCY IN THE CITY OF GALVESTON RELATED TO THE THREAT POSED BY HURRICANE MARCO AND TROPICAL STORM LAURA TO THE CITY OF GALVESTON; EXTENDING THE STATE OF EMERGENCY ORDERED BY MAYOR PRO TEM BROWN, EXTENDING VARIOUS EMERGENCY ORDER ISSUED BY THE MAYOR PRO TEM; MAKING VARIOUS FINDINGS AND PROVISIONS RELATED TO THE SUBJECT, PROVIDING FOR A PENALTY AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City of Galveston as of the date of this Declaration is facing the imminent threat of widespread or severe damage, injury, and loss of life and property resulting from Hurricane Marco and Tropical Storm Laura which is expected to reach our coast as a hurricane; and

WHEREAS the Governor of the State of Texas has on the 23rd day of August 2020 issued a Proclamation of imminent disaster from Hurricane Marco and Tropical Storm Laura and has declared a state of disaster in Galveston County; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Charter and Codes of the City of Galveston due to the resignation of Mayor James D. Yarbrough from office, the duties of Mayor are being performed by Mayor Pro Tem Craig Brown; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor Pro Tem of the City of Galveston has determined that extraordinary measures must be taken to alleviate the suffering of people and to protect or rehabilitate property from the Hurricane Marco and Tropical Storm Laura and has issued a Declaration of a Local State of Disaster and Emergency dated August 23, 2020; and.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GALVESTON, TEXAS;

SECTION 1. The findings and recitations set out in the preamble to this Ordinance are found to be true and correct and they are hereby adopted by the City Council and made a part hereof for all purposes.

SECTION 2. In Accordance with Section 418.108 of the Texas Disaster Act of 1975, and Article II, Section 15 of The City Charter of Ordinances, the City Council finds and declares a state of disaster and emergency in the City of Galveston as a result of Hurricane Marco and Tropical Storm Laura.

SECTION 3. The Declaration of a Local State of Disaster and Emergency Related to Hurricane Marco and Tropical Storm Laura dated August 23, 2020 is ratified by the City Council and shall remain in effect until cessation of the Local State of Emergency and Disaster or by action of the City Council of the City of Galveston whichever occurs first.
SECTION 4. The emergency ordered issued by the Mayor Pro Tem in connection with Hurricane Marco and Tropical Storm Laura are hereby ratified and approved.

SECTION 5. The Mayor Pro Tem, as Director of Emergency Management, is hereby authorized to provide, or cause to be provided, all arrangements, provisions, and means necessary and proper to effect the coordination of relief and aid programs, and property restoration and rehabilitation programs, for the protection, preservation, and improvement of life and property within the City during the State of Emergency.

SECTION 6. This declaration of local disaster activates the recovery and rehabilitation aspects of all applicable local or interjurisdictional emergency management plans and authorizes the furnishing of aid and assistance under the declaration. All aspects of the City of Galveston Emergency Management Plan not already activated are hereby activated as provided in the plan.

SECTION 7. It is hereby declared to be the intention of the City Council that the sections, paragraphs, sentences, clauses and phrases of this Ordinance are severable and, if any phase, clause, sentence, paragraph or section of this Ordinance should be declared invalid by the final judgment or decree of any court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity shall not affect any of the remaining phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs, and sections of this Ordinance.

SECTION 8. All Ordinances or parts thereof in conflict herewith are repealed to the extent of such conflict only.

SECTION 9. In accordance with the provisions of Sections 12 and 13 of Article II of the City Charter this Ordinance has been publicly available in the office of the City Secretary for not less than 72 hours prior to its adoption; that this Ordinance may be read and published by descriptive caption only.

SECTION 10. This Ordinance shall be and become effective from and after its adoption and publication in accordance with the provisions of the Charter of the City of Galveston.

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I, ____________________________, Secretary of the City Council of the City of Galveston, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of an Ordinance adopted by the City Council of the City of Galveston at its regular meeting held on the __________ day of __________________, __________, as the same appears in records of this office.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I subscribe my name hereto officially under the corporate seal of the City of Galveston this __________ day of __________________, __________.

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JANELLE WILLIAMS
Secretary for the City Council
of the City of Galveston