

RESOLUTION NO. 1978

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SCOTTS VALLEY CONFIRMING THE ORDER OF THE DIRECTOR OF CIVIL DEFENSE AND DISASTER EXTENDING THE DEADLINE TO OBTAIN A BUSINESS LICENSE

WHEREAS, in February 2020, Santa Cruz County Public Health Services Agency acknowledged the spread of a novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) in surrounding Bay Area counties with close connections to the resident and visitor populations in the County (“County”) and continued to monitor for community spread of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on March 4, 2020, Governor Gavin Newsom declared a state of emergency in the State of California due to the number of confirmed cases of COVID-19 in the State; and

WHEREAS, on March 4, 2020, the Health Officer of the County declared a local health emergency based on an imminent and proximate threat to public health from the introduction of COVID-19 in the County; and

WHEREAS, on March 16, 2020, the Health Officer of the County issued an order requiring all individuals living in the County to shelter at their place of residence and directing all businesses and governmental agencies to cease all non-essential operations at physical locations in the County (Shelter In Place Order); and

WHEREAS, on March 18, 2020, the Scotts Valley City approved a resolution declaring that as of March 15th, 2020, a local health emergency exists in the City of Scotts Valley (“City”); and

WHEREAS, on March 22, 2020, President Donald Trump Declared a Major Disaster in the State of California related to the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, the Health Officer of the County issued modified Shelter in Place Orders on April 30, 2020, May 6, 2020, and May 26, 2020; and

WHEREAS, due to the Shelter in Place Order, the City activated the Civil Defense and Disaster Council pursuant to Chapter 2.48 of the Scotts Valley Municipal Code and named the City Manager the Director of Civil Defense and Disaster; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Chapter 2.48, the Director of Civil Defense and Disaster is empowered to make and issue rules and regulations on matters reasonably related to the protection of life and property as affected by such disaster provided, such rules and regulations must be confirmed at the earliest practicable time by the city council; and

WHEREAS, the Shelter in Place Orders have caused significant financial losses to local businesses and unemployment for local residents; and

WHEREAS, as a condition to operate a business in the City of Scotts Valley, pursuant to Scotts Valley Municipal Code Chapter 5.04, all businesses are required to obtain a business license and pay an associated fee by July 1 of each year; and

WHEREAS, due to the financial losses businesses have suffered and the lack of certainty of when and how businesses will reopen, many businesses are unable to obtain a business license at this time; and

WHEREAS, on June 9, 2020, in accordance with Scotts Valley Municipal Code Chapter 2.48, to protect life and property, the Director of Civil Defense and Disaster of the City of Scotts Valley issued an order which postpones the deadline by which businesses must obtain business licenses; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to now confirm the order by the Director of Civil Defense and Disaster as required by Scotts Valley Municipal Code Chapter 2.48.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED by the City Council of the City of Scotts Valley as follows:

The order issued by the Director of Civil Defense and Disaster on June 9, 2020, a copy of which is attached hereto, is hereby confirmed and the City shall postpone the deadline for obtaining a business license to October 1, 2020, and waive any penalties for those businesses who obtain their license between the period of July 1, 2020 through October 1, 2020.

The above and foregoing Resolution was duly and regularly adopted by the City Council of the City of Scotts Valley at a regular meeting held on the 17th day of June, 2020 by the following vote:

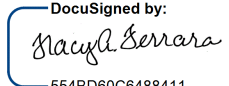
AYES: DILLES, LIND, JOHNSON, REED, TIMM

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

Approved: 
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Randy Johnson, Mayor

Attest: 
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Tracy A. Ferrara, City Clerk

ORDER NO. 04-2020 (COVID 19)

ORDER OF THE DIRECTOR OF CIVIL DEFENSE AND DISASTER OF THE CITY OF SCOTTS VALLEY EXTENDING THE DEADLINE TO OBTAIN A BUSINESS LICENSE

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WHEREAS, the Health Officer of the County issued modified Shelter in Place Orders on April 30, 2020, May 6, 2020, and May 26, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Shelter in Place Orders have caused significant financial losses to local businesses and unemployment for local residents; and

WHEREAS, even as businesses are allowed to slowly open, the financial losses are continuing due to the health restrictions placed on such businesses; and

WHEREAS, as a condition to operate a business in the City of Scotts Valley, pursuant to Scotts Valley Municipal Code Chapter 5.04, all businesses are required to obtain a business license and pay an associated fee by July 1 of each year; and

WHEREAS, due to the financial losses businesses have suffered and the lack of certainty of when and how businesses will reopen, many businesses are unable to obtain a business license at this time; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Scotts Valley Municipal Code Chapter 2.48, the Director of Civil Defense and Disaster is empowered to make and issue rules and regulations on matters reasonably related to the protection of life and property as affected by such disaster; and

WHEREAS, to protect the economic investments of the local businesses, the Director of Civil Defense and Disaster has determined it appropriate to postpone the deadline by which businesses must obtain business licenses.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED by the Director of Civil Defense and Disaster of the City of Scotts Valley as follows:

All businesses operating in the City of Scotts Valley will have until October 1, 2020 to obtain a business license as required by Scotts Valley Municipal Code Chapter 5.04. No penalties shall accrue for those businesses who obtain their license between the period of July 1, 2020 through October 1, 2020.

The Order shall be confirmed by the City Council at the earliest practicable time.

The above and foregoing Order is hereby adopted this 9th day of June, 2020.



Tina Friend, Director of Civil Defense
and Disaster Council