

ORDINANCE NO. 2020-3

AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PAUL, MINIDOKA COUNTY, IDAHO, ESTABLISHING EMERGENCY POWERS; PROVIDING FOR SUSPENSION OF CERTAIN SERVICES, ORDINANCES, AND POLICIES; ESTABLISHING PENALTIES; PROVIDING A SAVINGS AND SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING FOR EMERGENCY POSTING, AN EFFECTIVE DATE, AND A SUNSET DATE.

WHEREAS, on March 25, 2020 Dave Jeppson, Director of the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare issued an Order to Self-Isolate for the State of Idaho; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Idaho Code § 50-304, the City Council is authorized to pass all ordinances and make all regulations necessary to preserve the public health, prevent the introduction of contagious diseases into the City, and to make quarantine laws for that purpose and enforce the same within five (5) miles of the City of Paul city limits; and

WHEREAS, under Idaho Code § 50-606, the Mayor shall have such jurisdiction as may be vested by ordinance over all places within five (5) miles of the corporate limits of the City, for the enforcement of any health or quarantine ordinance and regulation thereof; and

WHEREAS, in order to effectively preserve the health and safety of the public, and the employees of the City of Paul, the Mayor is granted the emergency powers contained within this Ordinance.

THEREFORE, it is ordained by the Mayor and Council of the City of Paul, Minidoka County, Idaho:

Section 1: This Ordinance shall be known and designated as the City of Paul Emergency Powers Ordinance, and shall be considered a temporary emergency ordinance.

Section 2: Legal Authority: Idaho Code §§ 50-304 and 50-606 authorize the City to pass ordinances granting certain powers to the Mayor and City Council related to public health emergencies.

Section 3: Purpose and Intent: The City finds that the preservation of public health, safety, and welfare may require immediate action by the City in response to emergency situations. Therefore, the City hereby authorizes the Mayor and City Council certain powers for immediate response to foreseeable, imminent, or present public health emergencies.

Section 4: Suspension and Waiver of Certain City Services, Ordinances, and Policies, and Procedures: During this public health emergency, the Mayor may suspend certain non-essential city government services and functions as deemed necessary and advisable given the specific public health emergency and in consideration of the health of employees and the general public. During such time, the Mayor may also suspend the regular meetings of city boards and

commissions, including, but not limited to, the planning and zoning commission. In order to facilitate such suspension of the meetings, the ordinance providing for the regular meetings of these commissions shall be temporarily suspended. Those ordinance providing certain deadlines and the time lines for processing applications may also be suspended. The Mayor is also authorized to waive such internal rules, regulations, and procedures as deemed necessary to protect the health and welfare of city employees. Further, the notice to residents attached to this Ordinance as Exhibit A is approved and shall be posted at the City Office and shall be mailed to the residents of the City.

Section 5: Penalty: It shall be unlawful to violate any provision or directive of a duly enacted social distancing order, isolation order, or quarantine order while in such order is in effect. The violation of any provision or directive a social distancing order, isolation order, or quarantine order shall be an infraction under the City code.

Section 6: Conflicts: All ordinances, resolutions, orders, or parts thereof, are in conflict this Ordinance, if any, are hereby revoked for the term of this Ordinance.

Section 7: Savings and Severability Clause: It is hereby declared to be the legislative intent that the provisions and parts of this Ordinance shall be severable. If any paragraph, part, section, sub-section, sentence, clause, or phrase of this Ordinance is for any reason held to be invalid for any reason by a court of competent jurisdiction, such decisions shall not effect the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance.

Section 8: Emergency Posting, Effective Date, and Sunset: Due to an imminent situation or contagious disease, a proclamation of this Ordinance shall be posted in at least five (5) public locations in the City and this Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon such posting, in accordance with Idaho Code § 50-901. This Ordinance shall be considered a temporary emergency ordinance and shall remain in effect until revoked by the Paul City Council, in no event later than one hundred eighty-two (182) days from its effective date.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Paul, Idaho on March 27, 2020.



CITY OF PAUL

By Bruce A. Hossfeld
Bruce Hossfeld, Mayor

ATTEST:

BY Laura Abrahamson
Laura Abrahamson, City Clerk

NOTICE TO RESIDENTS

Dave Jeppson, the Director of the Idaho Health and Welfare, adopted and ordered to self isolate for the State of Idaho on March 25, 2020. Pursuant to that directive, the City of Paul adopted Emergency Ordinance No. 2020-3 providing for the suspension of certain services, ordinances, and policies and approved this Notice.

THE CITY OF PAUL WILL CLOSE ALL FACILITIES, EXCEPT FOR THE “NEW” PAUL CITY PARK, TO THE PUBLIC EFFECTIVE MARCH 28, 2020 UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

All City of Paul facilities, except for the “new” Paul City Park located on W. Ellis Street, will be closed to the public effective March 28, 2020 until further notice. Although City facilities are closed to the public, the City will continue to conduct business.

“NEW” PAUL CITY PARK

The “new” Paul City Park located on W. Ellis Street, shall remain open subject to the following restrictions and conditions: the play ground is closed, the bathrooms are closed, the picnic shelters are closed and everyone using the park must adhere to the directives issued by the State of Idaho, including: maintain at least six (6) feet from other individuals except household members, wash hands with soap and water for at least twenty (20) seconds or use hand sanitizer as frequently as possible, cover coughs and sneezes and do not shake hands.

TO CONTACT THE CITY OFFICE AND PAY BILLS

Until further notice, the City Office will be available for communication during the following hours, except holidays:

MONDAY – FRIDAY
8:30 A.M. to 12:30 P.M.
2:00 P.M. to 5:00 P.M.

During this time, the City Office can be contacted by telephone at 208-438-4101 or by email: ctpaulid@pmt.org. The City Office can also be contacted by mail at P.O. Box 130, Paul, Idaho 83347.

Utility bills can be dropped at the Drop Box located in front of the City Office or paid by debit card by calling the City Office during the above hours. So long as Paul City Ordinance 2020-3 is in effect, **DEBIT CARD FEES CHARGED BY THE CITY ARE WAIVED**. Please **DO NOT DEPOSIT CASH** in the Drop Box. If a payment must be made in cash, please contact the City Office at the phone number described above and make arrangements to be met at the door of the City Office.

EMERGENCY SERVICES

Public safety services will continue to be provided:

Emergency: 911
Minidoka County Sheriff's Office: 208-434-2320

PUBLIC WORKS

The Public Works Department will continue to provide services. The Public Works Department can be contacted at: Phone 208-438-4181 or by email: paulshop@pmt.org.

CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS

It is not anticipated that any City Council meetings will be cancelled or postponed. The meetings will continue to be conducted pursuant to the Idaho Open Meeting Law. However public participation in the meetings will be limited to telephonic means. The phone number to use to participate in a City Council meeting will be posted on all agendas of the City Council. The agendas will be posted on the City's website and at the City's Office.

Anyone desiring to participate in a Council meeting is encouraged to submit questions or comments to the City in written form prior to the meeting. Written comments can be submitted via email at ctpaulid@pmt.org, dropped in the Drop Box, or mailed to City Hall.

OTHER CITY MEETINGS

Other City meetings, including planning and zoning meetings and animal control board meetings have been postponed until further notice.

ANIMAL CONTROL SERVICES

Animal Control Services should be called out for emergency needs only. Services shall be provided by Animal Control Services as determined by the City of Rupert and the Animal Control Board.

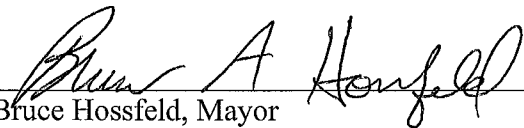
SANITATION

City garbage collection will continue as long as possible. Members of the public are asked to use special precautions in disposing of contaminated waste. Contaminated hazardous waste should be double bagged as regulated by Federal Guidelines on Infections Waste. Disposal requirements as updated by the South Central Solid Waste District shall be followed.

Effective: March 28, 2020.

CITY OF PAUL

BY


Bruce Hossfeld, Mayor