

Memorandum

File #: 20-00587

City Council

9/24/2020

LEGISLATIVE ACTION ITEM

SPONSOR: Grover C. Robinson, IV, Mayor

SUBJECT:

EXTENSION OF MAYORAL DECLARATION OF STATE OF EMERGENCY

RECOMMENDATION:

That City Council approve the Mayor's request for an extension of the Declaration of Emergency until the Council meeting scheduled for October 22, 2020.

HEARING REQUIRED: No Hearing Required

SUMMARY:

On March 18, 2020, Mayor Grover C. Robinson, IV, declared a state of emergency as a result and consequence of the continuing threats to the public health, safety, and property, both public and private, in the City of Pensacola caused by the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19).

The Mayor's exercise of authority pursuant to section 2-4-8 exists for a period of thirty (30) days following the declaration of a state of emergency unless extended or shortened by the action of the city council. Considering recent events and to continue responding to emergency issues, staff recommends that these emergency powers be extended until the Council meeting scheduled for October 22, 2020.

PRIOR ACTION:

March 13, 2020 - President Donald J. Trump declared a state of emergency for the United States of America beginning March 1, 2020.

March 9, 2020 - Governor Ron DeSantis issued Executive Order Number 20-52, declaring a state of emergency for the State of Florida.

March 16, 2020 - The Escambia County Board of County Commissioners issued Resolution R2020-24, declaring a state of emergency for Escambia County.

March 18, 2020 - The Mayor declared a state of emergency for the City for thirty (30) days.

March 26, 2020 - City Council extended the City's declaration of a state of emergency until May 28,

2020.

April 29, 2020 - Governor Ron DeSantis issued Executive Order Number 20-112, initiating Phase 1 of the Safe. Smart. Step-by-Step. Plan for Florida's Recovery.

May 8, 2020 - Governor Ron DeSantis issued Executive Order Number 20-114, which expires July 7, 2020, extending the Emergency Declaration of Executive Order 20-52 for 60 days for the entire State of Florida.

May 28, 2020 - City Council extended the City's declaration of a state of emergency until July 7, 2020.

June 3, 2020 - Governor Ron DeSantis issued Executive Order Number 20-139, initiating Phase 2 of the Safe. Smart. Step-by-Step. Plan for Florida's Recovery.

June 30, 2020 - City Council extended the City's declaration of a state of emergency until August 13, 2020.

July 7, 2020 - Governor Ron DeSantis issued Executive Order Number 20-166, extending the Emergency Declaration of Executive Order 20-52 for 60 days for the entire State of Florida (expiration September 5, 2020).

August 13, 2020 - City Council extended the City's declaration of a state of emergency until September 24, 2020.

September 4, 2020 - Governor Ron DeSantis issued Executive Order Number 20-213, extending the Emergency Declaration Executive Order 20-52 for 60 days for the entire State of Florida (expiration November 3, 2020).

FUNDING:

N/A

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

None

CITY ATTORNEY REVIEW: Yes

9/15/2020

STAFF CONTACT:

Keith Wilkins, City Administrator

ATTACHMENTS:

- 1) City of Pensacola State of Emergency 20-01
- 2) Executive Order 20-52
- 3) Executive Order 20-112
- 4) Executive Order 20-114
- 5) Executive Order 20-139
- 6) Executive Order 20-166
- 7) Executive Order 20-213

PRESENTATION: No