RESOLUTION NO. 2020 - 14

AN RESOLUTION OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKE STATION CONSENTING TO MAYOR'S EXTENSION OF HIS DECLARATION OF A LOCAL DISASTER EMERGENCY, WAIVING FORMAL PROCEDURES OF PAYING CLAIMS AND PAYING EMPLOYEES DURING EMERGENCY

| WHEREAS, | on March 6, 2020, the Governor of the State of Indiana declared a public health Emergency due to the COVID-19 outbreak; and |
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| WHEREAS, | on March 13, 2020, the President of the United States declared a national Emergency for the United States due to the COVID-19 outbreak; and |
| WHEREAS, | on March 13, 2020, the Mayor of the City of Lake Station declared a local disaster emergency for the City of Lake Station due to the COVID-19 outbreak; and |
| WHEREAS, | on March 13, 2020, the Mayor of the City of Lake Station issued an Executive Order which in part closed City Hall to the public and all non-essential employees in an effort to comply with directives of the CDC, the Federal Government and our State Government to take actions deemed necessary to control and reduce the spread of COVID-19; and |
| WHEREAS, | said declaration of a local disaster emergency by the Mayor stays in effect for a a period of not longer than seven (7) days unless extended by the Mayor with the consent of the Common Council of the City of Lake Station; and |
| WHEREAS, | the Common Council of the City of Lake Station adopted Resolution 2020-05 on March 19, 2020, which extended the local disaster emergency for a period of sixty (60) days; and |
| WHEREAS, | the Common Council of the City of Lake Station adopted Resolution 2020-07 on May 19, 2020, which extended the local disaster emergency for a period of thirty (30) days; and |
| WHEREAS, | the Common Council of the City of Lake Station desires to consent to the Mayor extending his declaration of a local disaster emergency; and |
| WHEREAS, | I.C. 10-14-3-17 gives the City of Lake Station the authority to waive procedures and formalities otherwise required by law as a result of the disaster emergency declaration; |
| WHEREAS, | I.C. 10-14-3-17(j)(5) states, in part, a political subdivision may in the event of a national emergency or disaster emergency as provided in I.C. 10-14-3-12, waive procedures and formalities otherwise required by law pertaining to, among other things, "the appropriation and expenditure of public funds." |

public health may prevent City Boards from meeting to conduct its business and

the Common Council for the City of Lake Station recognizes concern for the

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affairs including the approval of claims required by law;

WHEREAS, the Common Council for the City of Lake Station desires to avoid disruption of city government and essential city services that COVID-19 may create, which includes waiving the formal claims procedures set forth in I.C. 36-4-8-5;

WHERAS, the Common Council for the City of Lake Station desires to provide for pay for Employees during the emergency.

NOW, THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of Lake Station, Lake County, Indiana, as follows:

- The Common Council of the City of Lake Station hereby consents to the Mayor of the City of Lake Station extending his declaration of a local disaster emergency for the City of Lake Station until December 31, 2020.
- 2. The normal procedures to approve claims set forth in I.C. 36-4-8-5 shall be waived during the local disaster emergency. During this time the fiscal officer is hereby authorized to pay any claims she deems valid claims that would otherwise have been presented and approved at a public meeting.
- 3. The Mayor is authorized to direct the Clerk-Treasurer to pay all employees during the emergency declaration for their regularly scheduled non-overtime work hours in which they are not working due to the emergency.

PASSED AND ADOPTED, effective immediately, by the Common Council of the City of Lake Station, Indiana, this 164 day of November 2020.

William Carroll, Mayor

ATTEST:

Brenda Samuels, Clerk-Treasurer

Presented by me to the Mayor of the City of Lake Station, Indiana, on the 46 day of

NOVEMBER, 2020.

Brenda Samuels, Clerk-Treasurer

Approved, signed and returned by me to the Common Council of the City of Lake Station, Indiana, this 16 44 day of November , 2020.

William Carroll, Mayor