



## CITY OF EAST BETHEL DECLARATION OF A LOCAL STATE OF EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, there is a global COVID-19 Pandemic; and,

WHEREAS, the President of the United States has declared a National Emergency;  
and,

WHEREAS, the Governor of the State of Minnesota has declared a Peacetime Emergency;  
and,

WHEREAS, Subject Matter Experts have determined that proactive measures must be undertaken to reduce the impact of COVID-19, and activity will be beyond the usual resources of the City of East Bethel; and,

WHEREAS, response and support to affected individuals, communities, medical systems, business and government has caused significant impact to the county as a whole; and,

WHEREAS, Minnesota Statutes Chapter 12.29 authorizes the Mayor of the City of East Bethel to sign a Declaration of Local Emergency in the City of East Bethel valid for up to 72 hours after which a meeting of the East Bethel City Council will be needed to approve the continuance this Declaration; and,

WHEREAS, The City of East Bethel Emergency Management Director recommends the East Bethel City Council declare that a Local State of Emergency exists in the City of East Bethel:

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, I, Steven R. Voss, as Mayor of the City of East Bethel, declare the City of East Bethel to be in a Local State of Emergency March 16th, 2020, due to ongoing and expected response to and recovery from; COVID-19 Pandemic and direct the City Administrator and the Director of Emergency Management to coordinate such actions and request such local, state and/or federal assistance as needed to protect lives and public and private property in City of East Bethel and the recovery of the City from the impacts of this situation to the extent practicable and allowed by law, ordinance and resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that I direct the City Administrator and Director of Emergency Management to ensure a formal Request for Council Action be put forward to a meeting of the East Bethel City Council as required by law.

Signed this ~~16th~~ day of March 2020

Steven R. Voss, Mayor