

City of Hallettsville

Declaration of Local Disaster Related to Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19)

WHEREAS, the City of Hallettsville has determined that extraordinary measures must be taken to protect the health and safety of the citizens of Hallettsville, and to ensure assistance for continued vital services for our community; and

WHEREAS, the United States Federal Government has declared a national emergency and the State of Texas has declared a statewide public health disaster as a result of the COVID-19 Coronavirus; and

WHEREAS, the potential spread of the COVID-19 Coronavirus poses a threat to the health and safety of the citizens of the City of Hallettsville; and

WHEREAS, the magnitude of the potential damage and the rapidity with which potential spread of the COVID-19 coronavirus could constitute an imminent threat of disaster, and

WHEREAS, costs incurred to prepare for and respond to COVID-19 are beginning to mount at the state and local levels; and

WHEREAS, the State of Texas has already taken numerous steps to prepare for COVID 19, such as increasing laboratory testing capacity, coordinating preparedness efforts across state agencies, and working with local partners to promote appropriate mitigation efforts; and

WHEREAS, the Texas Government Code Chapter 408.108 gives the Mayor the power to declare a local disaster within the City "if the threat of disaster is imminent"; and

WHEREAS, such controls, once implemented, have the potential of protecting lives and property by mitigating the threat of a potential spread of the COVID-19 Coronavirus; and

WHEREAS, a local disaster declaration expires seven days after its issuance, unless the City Council consents to its renewal or continuance;

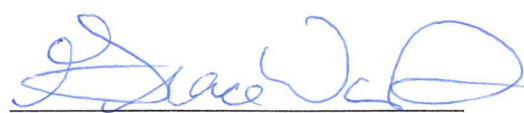
BE IT THEREFORE PROCLAIMED that I, Alice Jo Summers, Mayor of the City of Hallettsville, declare a local state of disaster based on the threat of spreading of the COVID-19 coronavirus in the City of Hallettsville, Texas.

This declaration shall be publicized and filed with the City Secretary.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I affix my signature this 23rd day of March, 2020.


Alice Jo Summers
Mayor

Filed with me, the City Secretary of the City of Hallettsville, this 23rd day of March 2020, by Mayor Alice Jo Summers, whose signature I hereby attest.


Grace Ward
City Secretary

