

RESOLUTION 7A-20

A RESOLUTION EXTENDING AN EMERGENCY DECLARATION IN THE CITY OF ALTOONA RELATED TO THE OUTBREAK OF COVID-19

WHEREAS, conditions exist within the State of Wisconsin related to the outbreak of COVID-19 that threaten the health, safety, and welfare of state residents, and the strong potential exists for these conditions to continue to spread to the City of Altoona and the surrounding vicinity, which such conditions require preparedness for a flexible and timely response as conditions change and additional data becomes available; and

WHEREAS, millions of people around the world have tested positive for COVID-19, including more than two million people in the United States, more than 42,000 people in Wisconsin, and more than 350 people in Eau Claire County;

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Altoona is authorized to invoke emergency powers in such circumstances by §§ 323.11, 323.14 and 62.11, Wis. Stats., among other statutory, constitutional, and other authority provided by law, to respond in this time of emergency to protect, as best able, the life, liberty, and property of its citizens; and

WHEREAS, under Wisconsin Statute 252.03, the Eau Claire City-County Health Department is the lead agency for controlling and responding to communicable disease threats and has opened Incident Command to plan for and to respond to the needs of our residents; and

WHEREAS, on July 9, 2020, the Eau Claire City-County Health Department issued an updated COVID-19 Prevention and Control Order under the authority provided in Wis. Stat. § 252.03; and

WHEREAS, on June 25, 2020 the City Council approved a declaration of an emergency in the City of Altoona related to the COVID-19 outbreak which is scheduled to expire on July 27th, 2020; and

WHEREAS, circumstances still persist that may require the City to take extraordinary action in response to the COVID-19 crisis to assure a flexible and effective response; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Altoona: That the City Council hereby extends the state of emergency within the City of Altoona until 12:00 a.m. on the 31st day of August, 2020, as subject to extension or rescission by future action of the City Council.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Altoona that the City Council does hereby adopt and apply within the City of Altoona, the Eau Claire County Health Department COVID-19 Prevention and Control Order dated July 9, 2020, and any extension of or reduction to said Order while the City's Emergency Declaration remains in effect, finding it necessary and expedient for the health, safety, protection, and welfare of persons and property within the City under authority granted by Wis. Stat. §323.14(4) along with all its constitutional, statutory local home rule and police power authority.

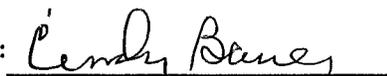
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the City Administrator and any designees or successors to that office are acknowledged as the head of emergency government for the City of Altoona with the full authority as stated under §§ 323.11, 323.14, Wis. Stats., to take action necessary and expedient for the health, safety, welfare, and good order of the City during the duration of this declared emergency, unless any of said authority is removed sooner by lawful action of the City Council. While said emergency authority exists, it shall include, but not be limited to, the following expressly granted powers: Emergency procurement under Wis. Stat. §62.15(1b) permitting the letting of public works contracts without notice or competitive bidding; cooperate with other local units of government under §66.0301 to furnish emergency services; employ volunteer, personnel, facilities and other resources; temporarily modify or suspend local ordinances, regulations and standards not contrary to state, federal, or constitutional laws and principles, and such other action necessary and expedient for the health, safety, protection and welfare of persons and property within the City of Altoona.

Dated this 23rd Day of July, 2020

CITY OF ALTOONA, WI



Mayor Brendan Pratt

Attest: 

Cindy Bauer, City Clerk

