

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-08

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF MORGAN'S POINT RESORT, TEXAS
AUTHORIZING A CONTINUANCE OF DISASTER DECLARATATION BY MAYOR ON
MARCH 18, 2020, DUE TO PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY FROM THE SARS-COV2 VIRUS.**

WHEREAS, beginning in December 2019, a novel coronavirus, now designated SARS-CoV2 which causes the disease COVID-19, has been declared a global pandemic by the World Health Organization; and

WHEREAS, the symptoms of COVID-19 can range from mild to severe illness and cause further complications including death; and

WHEREAS, COVID-19 virus mainly spreads between people who are in close contact with one another through respiratory droplets produced when an infected person coughs or sneezes; and

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, the Governor of the State of Texas issued a proclamation certifying that COVID-19 poses an imminent threat of disaster in the state and declaring a state of disaster for all counties in Texas; and

WHEREAS, the City of Morgan's Point Resort, Texas, is taking extraordinary measures to prevent the spread of this potentially devastating disease in our community; and

WHEREAS, said state of disaster requires that certain emergency protective measures be taken pursuant to the Texas Disaster Act of 1975 relating to Emergency Management and Public Health, pursuant to Chapter 418 of the Texas Government Code.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF MORGAN'S POINT RESORT, BELL COUNTY, TEXAS:

SECTION 1. That a local state of disaster for public health emergency has hereby been declared for the City of Morgan's Point Resort, Texas, pursuant to Section 418.108(a) of the Texas Government Code.

SECTION 2. That pursuant to Section 418.108(b) of the Texas Government Code the state of disaster for this public health emergency shall continue for a period of not more than 49 days from the date of this resolution, unless continued or renewed by the City Council of the City of Morgan's Point Resort, Texas.

SECTION 3. That pursuant to Section 418.108(c) of the Texas Government Code this resolution of a local state of disaster for public health emergency shall be given prompt and general publicity and shall be filed promptly with the City Secretary.

SECTION 4. That pursuant to Section 418.108(d) of the Texas Government Code, this resolution of a local state of disaster activates the City of Morgan's Point Resort, Texas, emergency management plan, and authorizes the furnishing of aid and assistance under the resolution.

SECTION 5. That this resolution authorizes the City to take any actions necessary to promote health and suppress the virus, including the quarantine of persons and occupied

structures, examining and regulating hospitals, regulating ingress and egress from the City, regulating ingress and egress to occupied structures, establishment of quarantine stations, emergency hospitals, and other hospitals, and insuring compliance for those who do not comply with the City's rules, pursuant to Section 122.006 of the Health and Safety Code.

SECTION 6. That this resolution hereby limits the size of gatherings to not more than 10 people and mandates the cancellation of all such gatherings until further notice. A "gathering" refers generally to a scheduled social event or common endeavor where more than 10 persons are present in a confined space, room, or area.

SECTION 7. In accordance with Texas Government Code §418.173, a person who knowingly or intentionally violates this resolution commits an offense, punishable by a fine up to \$1,000.00 or confinement in jail for a term that does not exceed 180 days.

SECTION 8. That this resolution hereby authorizes the use of all lawfully available enforcement tools.

SECTION 9. That this resolution shall take effect immediately from and after its issuance.

DECLARED this, the 24th day of March, 2020.



Dwayne Gossett, Mayor
City of Morgan's Point Resort, Texas

ATTEST:



Ophelia Rodriguez, City Secretary

Neal Potts, City Attorney
Approved as to form.