

RESOLUTION NO. 500**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHORELINE, WASHINGTON, RESCINDING RESOLUTION NO. 454 RATIFYING A LOCAL DECLARATION OF PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY RELATED TO THE COVID-19 VIRUS.**

WHEREAS, pursuant to SMC 2.50.060, on March 4, 2020, the City Manager executed a Declaration of Public Health Emergency related to the COVID-19 virus for the City of Shoreline; and

WHEREAS, on March 16, 2020, the City Council ratified the Declaration of Public Health Emergency and the acts of City Departments and staff had been taken in connection with such emergency by the passage of Resolution No. 454; and

WHEREAS, in implementing the Declaration of Public Health Emergency, the City Manager issued several policies and procedures related to employment, development activity, public records, and finances; and

WHEREAS, on September 8, 2022, Washington's Governor announced that the Washington State COVID-19 State of Emergency and COVID-19 emergency orders that were still in effect would be rescinded by October 31, 2022; and

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 454 states that the Local Declaration of Public Health Emergency would be in effect until amended, rescinded, or otherwise terminated by the City Manager or the City Council; and

WHEREAS, since the time of the Declaration of Public Health Emergency, due to a better understanding of the COVID-19 virus and the availability of vaccines, it is apparent that there is no longer a need for a local emergency declaration or for keeping the City of Shoreline in an emergency response mode, especially given the federal and state response measures that have been provided; and

WHEREAS, the City Council believes that government, business, and public life in general should resume as normal and that the public health and safety will not be jeopardized given the knowledge gained from the COVID-19 pandemic and the measures that can be taken to protect each other and supports and encourages the residents and business of the City to focus on recovery to their economic, social, and cultural lives;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHORELINE, WASHINGTON, HEREBY RESOLVES:

Section 1. Rescission of Resolution No. 454. Resolution No. 454, ratifying the City Manager's Local Declaration of Public Health Emergency related to the COVID-19 virus is hereby rescinded. The City of Shoreline shall no longer be considered in emergency response mode.

Section 2. Validity of Actions. Any and all acts undertaken by City Departments and staff consistent with the Declaration of Public Health Emergency related to the COVID-19 virus issued by the City Manager dated March 4, 2020, and ratified by the City Council with the passage of Resolution


No. 454, remain valid and legal acts of the City of Shoreline. The City Manager is directed to terminate all emergency orders of the City Manager derived from or related to the Local Declaration of Public Health Emergency that remain in effect.

Section 3. Effective Date. This Resolution shall take effect and be in full force immediately upon passage by the City Council.

ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL ON OCTOBER 17, 2022.


Keith Scully, Mayor

ATTEST:


Jessica Simulcik Smith, City Clerk