

**TOWN OF SAN LUIS  
RESOLUTION 2020-04**

**EMERGENCY DISASTER DECLARATION**

**ORDER DECLARING A DISASTER  
IN AND FOR THE TOWN OF SAN LUIS, COLORADO**

WHEREAS, the Colorado Disaster Emergency Act, Colorado Revised Statutes (C.R.S.) § 24-33.5-701, *et seq.*, provides procedures for statewide and local prevention of, preparation for, response to, and recovery from disasters; and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to C.R.S. § 24-33.5-703(3), a "disaster" is defined to mean "the occurrence or imminent threat of widespread or severe damage, injury, or loss of life or property resulting from any natural cause or cause of human origin, including but not limited to fire, flood, earthquake, wind, storm, wave action, hazardous substance incident, oil spill or other water contamination requiring emergency action to avert danger or damage, volcanic activity, epidemic/pandemic, air pollution, blight, drought, infestation, explosion, civil disturbance, or hostile military or paramilitary action, or a condition of riot, insurrection, or invasion"; and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to C.R.S. § 24-33.5-709, a local disaster may be declared, "only by the principal executive officer of a political subdivision;" and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to §§ 30-10-307 and 308, C.R.S., as amended, the Mayor of the Town of San Luis is the principal executive officer of San Luis and, in the absence of the Mayor, the Mayor Pro-tem is statutorily authorized to act as the principal executive officer; and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to C.R.S. § 24-33.5-709(1), the declaration of a local disaster "shall not be continued or renewed for a period in excess of seven days except by or with the consent of the governing board of the political subdivision;" and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to C.R.S. § 24-33.5-709(1), any order declaring, continuing, or terminating a local disaster "shall be given prompt and general publicity and shall be filed promptly with the town clerk;" and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to C.R.S. § 24-33.5-709(2), the effect of declaring a local disaster "is to activate the response and recovery aspects of any and all applicable local and inter-jurisdictional disaster emergency plans and to authorize the furnishing of aid and assistance under such plans"; and,

WHEREAS, by declaring a local disaster, the Town of San Luis Disaster Policies are in effect; and,

WHEREAS, because of the COVID19 Pandemic, which occurred or began to occur on March 5, 2020, San Luis, and its boundaries, is suffering or has suffered a disaster as defined under C.R.S. § 24-33.5-703(3); and,

WHEREAS, the cost and magnitude of responding to and recovering from the impact of this disaster exceeds the Town of San Luis' available resources, needed to adequately address the communities' needs of the COVID 19 pandemic.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, by the Mayor or Mayor Pro-tem of the San Luis Board of Trustees, County of Costilla, State of Colorado, that a disaster emergency is declared in and for the Town of San Luis, Colorado, in the County of Costilla, beginning on Thursday, March 26<sup>th</sup>, 2020 and ending until further notice, unless further extended by consent of the San Luis Town Board to the County of Costilla.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED at a Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees of San Luis, Colorado, on this 26<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2020.**



TOWN OF SAN LUIS, COLORADO

by: Tiffany A. Gallegos  
Tiffany A. Gallegos, Mayor

ATTESTED:

Rebecca Romero

Rebecca Romero, Town Clerk

Approved as to form:

Barbara A. Zollars

Barbara A. Zollars, Town of San Luis Attorney