



MOTION: GRAHAM

SECOND: DUFFY

RE: Declaring an End to the COVID-19 Local Emergency

ACTION: APPROVED: Ayes: 7; Nays: 0

**July 13, 2021
Regular Meeting
Resolution 21-60**

Governor Ralph S. Northam issued Emergency Order #51, declaring a state of emergency in Virginia in regard to the COVID-19 pandemic on March 12, 2020. On March 16, 2020, in accordance with Virginia Code §44-146.21 and City Code §26-36, the City Manager, as Fredericksburg's Director of Emergency Management, issued a Declaration of Local Emergency.

City Council confirmed the City Manager's declaration by resolution in a special meeting on March 20, 2020 and further directed the Manager to take lawful emergency actions as necessary to protect the public health and welfare.

Virginia continues to experience a significant decline in new COVID-19 cases and COVID-19 related hospitalizations. As public health metrics have continued to trend in a positive direction, the governor has ended all COVID-19 required mitigation measures and allowed the state of emergency to expire on June 30, 2021.

Due to significant decline in the spread of COVID-19 in Fredericksburg and the surrounding areas, the immediate threat to public health, safety, and welfare caused by the pandemic has subsided. All emergency actions have been taken, and it is now appropriate for City Council to end the declared emergency in the City of Fredericksburg.

Therefore, City Council hereby resolves that the local emergency declared March 16, 2020 and confirmed by City Council on March 20, 2020 is hereby declared as ended on this date, July 13, 2021.

Votes:

Ayes: Greenlaw, Frye, Devine, Duffy, Graham, Kelly, Withers

Nays: None

Absent from Vote: None

Absent from Meeting: None

Clerk's Certificate

I certify that I am Clerk of Council of the City of Fredericksburg, Virginia, and that the foregoing is a true copy of Resolution No. 21-60, adopted at a meeting of the City Council held July 13, 2021, at which a quorum was present and voted.



Tonya B. Lacey, MMC
Clerk of Council