

Michael D. Davis, Trustee Cheryl A. Sieve, Trustee Rose K. Stertz, Trustee

James J. Luebbe, Fiscal Officer

Jack Cameron, Administrator

First Reading: April 1, 2020 Second Reading: Dispensed

### **RESOLUTION 2020-040**

# RESOLUTION DECLARING A STATE OF EMERGENCY FOR DELHI TOWNSHIP REGARDING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC AND DISPENSING WITH THE SECOND READING

WHEREAS, Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) is a respiratory disease that can result in serious illness or death, which is caused by the SARS-CoV-2 virus that is a new strain of coronavirus that had not been previously identified in humans; and

WHEREAS, on March 9, 2020, Gov. DeWine issued Executive Order 2020-01D, declaring a state of emergency to protect the well-being of Ohio's citizens from the dangerous effects of COVID – 19; and

WHEREAS, Hamilton County and the Federal Government have declared states of emergency regarding the outbreak and spreading of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, Delhi Township and our residents will not be immune to the spread or impacts of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, Township operations, including the Fire Department and Police Department will be severely impacted by the effects of the spread and treatment of COVID-19 among our residents; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Township Trustees want to recognize and reiterate the seriousness of this pandemic and to affirm Township actions and restrictions.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Delhi Township Board of Trustees declares that an emergency exists in Delhi Township related to COVID-19 that requires actions to be taken to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the residents, businesses and employees of Delhi Township, Hamilton County, Ohio and invokes the authorities and abilities granted pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Chapter 5502.

# **SECTION 1-A:**

- All employees are required to continue to observe the procedural changes instituted and to be instituted by the Township Administrator and/or their Department Heads to protect themselves, co-workers and the public at large from spreading the COVID-19 virus.
- All public facilities are to remain secured from access by the general public or unauthorized visitors.
- The Township Administrator is authorized to adjust work schedules to accommodate employees working from home, staggering shifts, not reporting to the office, or other similar measures as are suggested by the State of Ohio to minimize the COVID-19 impacts.
- The Township Administrator, Fire Chief, Police Chief or other necessary Department Head and Department are directed to provide whatever assistance is necessary to such Federal, State, or County officials in enforcing emergency provisions in Delhi Township.
- Places of congregation, facilities, and spaces controlled by the Township are to be closed in accordance with the State of Ohio ongoing orders.
- The Township Administrator may take other actions on behalf of the Board of Trustees which may become necessary throughout the course of this pandemic.

# **SECTION 1-B:**

Per Revised Code Chapter 5502 the Township is exempt from the competitive bidding process for purchases related to the emergency and the Township Administrator can procure an item in

excess of the \$50,000 public bidding limit but not greater than \$100,000 without further authority from the Board.

### **SECTION 1-C:**

The Township Administrator is authorized to exceed the Township's \$10,000 Spending Limit for those items needed in response to this emergency.

# **SECTION 2**:

The Trustees of Delhi Township upon majority vote do hereby dispense with the requirement that this resolution be read on two separate days, and hereby authorize the adoption of this resolution upon its first reading.

# **SECTION 3:**

This is an emergency resolution necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, safety and welfare of the Township. The reason for the emergency being the need to adopt and to enact the emergency powers set forth herein at the earliest possible time so that the Township can more effectively deal with the spread and effects of COVID – 19.

#### **SECTION 4:**

This resolution shall take effect at the earliest time provided by Ohio law.

INTRODUCTION AND VOTE RECORD: Trustee Stertz

# SECTION 5:

Township Fiscal Officer, this 1st day of April 2020.

Bryan E. Pacheco, Law Director motion 4-1-2020

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

It is hereby determined that all formal actions of the Board of Trustees relating to the adoption of this Resolution were taken in an open meeting of the Board of Township Trustees and that all deliberations of such Board of Trustees were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Resolution and moved its adoption. Trustee <u>Sieve</u> seconded the Motion. The roll being called

introduced the foregoing

mes J. Luebbe. Fiscal Officer per Motion 4-1-2020

upon the question of adoption of the Resolution by the Tow	nsnip Fiscal Oπicer, the vote resulted as follows:
Mr. Davis <u>YES</u> Ms. Stertz <u>YES</u>	Ms. Sieve _ <u>YES</u>
Adopted at the meeting of the Board of Trustees this 1st da	ay of April, 2020.
heta	Michael D. Davis, by Jose Frott  Michael D. Davis, Chair  Per Motion 4-1-2020  Poseanne L Gertz by Lou Stratt  Rosanne K. Stertz, Trustee per Motion 4-1-2020  Meryl A. Sieve, Trustee  Per Motion 4-1-2020  Per Motion 4-1-2020  Per Motion 4-1-2020
This is to certify that this resolution was duly adopted by the Board of Trustees, and filed with the Delhi	