

**TOWN OF COAL CREEK
COAL CREEK, COLORADO 81221**

RESOLUTION NO. 5 – SERIES 2020

**A RESOLUTION APPROVING TOWN BOARD MEETING SPECIAL PROCEDURES AND
BUSINESS OPERATION DURING DECLARED DISASTERS**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees for the Town of Coal Creek, Colorado:

WHEREAS, due to the national COVID-19 pandemic, The Board of Trustees declared a disaster in the Town of Coal Creek on March 23, 2020 by Resolution 4-2020;

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees wishes to help stop the spread of the COVID-19 Virus as much as possible and will follow the closures of the County offices to mean the Town Hall will be closed to the Public for such amount of time that the County is closed, and will return to a normal working schedule when it is advised by the County who works alongside the Fremont County Department of Public Health and Environment (FCDPHE)

WHEREAS, Fremont County Department of Public Health and Environment (“FCDPHE”) anticipates that, due to the contagiousness of the illness and the fact that numerous travelers from around the world visit the county, Fremont County will see cases of the virus and its transmission within the community. Developing social distancing policies prior to an extensive outbreak has been a proven means of helping to contain COVID-19 outbreaks; and

WHEREAS, FCDPHE recommends that without appropriately responding to the illness, including cancelling and postponing public events, restricting social gathering to 10 people or less, numbers of cases within Fremont County will rise, may result in serious illness or death for certain members of the community, and will have the effect of interrupting the functioning of the community, will overwhelm the capacity of the local health care system and the ability to respond to the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, The potential for an outbreak of COVID-19 in Fremont County constitutes a local disaster for purposes of C.R.S. § 24-33.5-709, particularly when the high number of elderly residents and incarcerated persons is taken into consideration, together with the confirmed presence of COVID-19 in a number of Colorado Counties, including those adjacent to and in close proximity with Fremont County; and

WHEREAS, Due to the disaster, members of the Board of Trustees may be unable to physically present at a council meeting, but can effectively participate in meetings by telephonic or electronic connections;

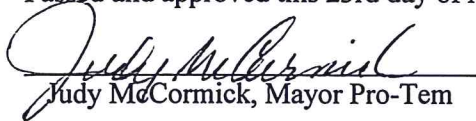
WERERAS, likewise, members of the public may be unable to be physically present at a Town Board Meeting, but can effectively participate by telephonic or electronic connections;

WHEREAS, it may not be practical or in the best interest of the public to gather at a physical setting given federal and state agencies social distancing recommendations;

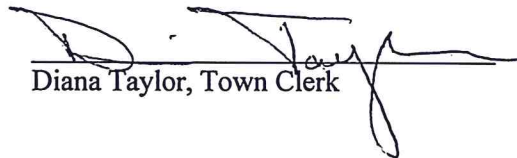
WHEREAS. Coal Creek Town Hall shall be closed with the public allowed to conduct business through telephone, online services, e-mail, other electronic means, or by physically dropping off documents necessary for the conduct of business. Allowing staff to work from

home will be made on a case-by-case basis taking into consideration the ongoing operational needs of the Town and also considering public health advice. The Board of Trustees will have discretion to designate employees as critical to maintaining Town operations. It is recognized that not all work will be able to be performed at home and may require physical presence all or some of the time. The Board of Trustees may allow services to be provided by limited appointment only, provided that all guidelines regarding social distancing (6-foot separation distance and thoroughly sanitizing all potentially affected surfaces following the appointment) are strictly followed.

Passed and approved this 23rd day of March, 2019.


Judy McCormick, Mayor Pro-Tem

ATTEST:


Diana Taylor, Town Clerk