

**TOWN OF PARACHUTE, COLORADO
RESOLUTION NO. 2020-14**

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF PARACHUTE, COLORADO, IN SUPPORT OF THE GOVERNOR DECLARING A STATEWIDE EMERGENCY AND DECLARING A LOCAL DISASTER EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, the Governor of the State of Colorado has declared a statewide emergency regarding the occurrence or imminent threat of widespread or severe damage, injury or loss of life or property resulting from the 2019 Novel Coronavirus (“COVID-19”) on March 10, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the cost and magnitude of responding to and recovery from the impact of COVID-19 may be in excess of the Town’s available resources; and

WHEREAS, it is in the public interest for the Town to have emergency resources available to work to safeguard the health and safety of the community; and

WHEREAS, it would be appropriate and in the interests of the public health and safety, and would further protect property, for the Town to support the State and Eagle and Pitkin Counties in their efforts to respond to the emergency; and

WHEREAS, pursuant C.R.S. § 24-33.5-709 the Town Council or Town Manager is authorized to declare a local disaster emergency, and wishes to do so by this Resolution; and

WHEREAS, the effect of the declaration of a local disaster emergency is to activate the response and recovery aspects of any and all applicable local and interjurisdictional disaster emergency plans and to authorize the furnishing of aid and assistance under such plans; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council finds this action is immediately necessary to preserve the life, health, and safety of the Town and its residents.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF PARACHUTE, COLORADO:

Section 1. The foregoing recitals are hereby incorporated as findings of the Town Council.

Section 2. Town Council hereby declares pursuant to C.R.S. § 24-33.5-709 that there is a local disaster emergency in Parachute, due to the imminent threat of widespread or severe damage, injury or loss of life or property resulting from COVID-19 requiring emergency action to respond to and protect the life, health and safety of the citizens of Parachute. The Town Manager is authorized to suspend or modify the adopted policies of the Town including, but not limited to, procurement and employment in order to respond to COVID-19.

Section 3. This Declaration shall be effective from the date of this Resolution until terminated. The Town Council authorizes the Town Manager to terminate this Declaration if, upon consultation with emergency response officials, determines an emergency does not exist. Two

copies of this Declaration will be filed promptly with the Colorado Office of Emergency Management.

INTRODUCED, PASSED, ADOPTED, AND APPROVED by a vote of 5 to 0 of the Town Council of the Town of Parachute, Colorado at a regular meeting held at Town Hall in the Town of Parachute, Colorado, on the 19th day of March 2020 and approved by the Mayor on the 19th day of March 2020.

**TOWN COUNCIL OF THE
TOWN OF PARACHUTE, COLORADO**

By Roy B. McClung
Roy B. McClung, Mayor

ATTEST:

Lucy Cordova
Lucy Cordova, Town Clerk
STUART McARTHUR, TOWN MANAGER