## **COVID-19 Timeline**

On March 4, 2020, Governor Newsom declared a state of emergency for the State of California as a result of the threat of COVID-19. On March 11, 2020, Governor Newsom issued his policy recommending the cancellation of public gatherings of 250 people or more and limitations on gatherings of people who are at higher risk for COVID-19 to 10 people or fewer, and delaying or canceling meetings where attendees cannot observe at least six (6) feet of "social distance" from one another.

On March 8, 2020, the Riverside County's Public Health Officer declared a local health emergency based on an imminent and proximate threat to public health from the introduction of a Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) in Riverside County. On March 10, 2020, the County of Riverside ratified the local emergency.

On March 11, 2020, the Work Health Organization characterized COVID-19 as a pandemic.

On March 13, 2020, President Trump declared the COVID-19 pandemic a national emergency.

On March 13, 2020, the City of Riverside declared a local emergency to increase its efforts to protect the public from COVID-19. The City of Riverside's proclamation of local emergency notes that "there exists conditions of a disaster or of extreme peril to the safety of persons or property within the territorial limits of the City of Riverside that are beyond the control of the services, personnel, equipment and facilities of the City for the reason of COVID-19." The City Council ratified that declaration on March 17, 2020.

On March 16, 2020, the Riverside County Public Health Officer, by Order, cancelled all gatherings with expected presence of 10 individuals based on an imminent and proximate threat to public health from the introduction of COVID-19 in Riverside County.

On March 16, 2020, Governor Newsom issued additional policy recommendations further restricting gatherings, for example, requesting that restaurants be closed for in-restaurant seated dining, and should be open only to drive-through or other pick-up/delivery options.

On March 16, 2020, the Director of Emergency Services ordered the temporary closure of bars, breweries and wineries and called for restaurants and cafes to be closed for in-restaurant seated dining and only be open to drive-through or other pick-up/delivery options for 60 days unless terminated or extended by the City Council.

On March 17, 2020, the City Council altered the order and determined that restaurants may remain open at 50 percent of their capacity if they adhere to six feet social distancing norms. Restaurants are still required to observe the March 16, 2020 order of the Riverside

County Public Health Officer that limits gatherings to no more than 10 people in each subdivided room of a building. These changes were made to minimize the impact to local businesses to the extent possible while protecting the most vulnerable. On March 18, 2020, the revised order was issued by the Director of Emergency Services and will return to City Council on March 31, 2020 for review as directed by the City Council.

On March 18, 2020, the Director of Emergency Services ordered the extension of the expiration dates of City issued entitlements and construction related permits for an additional 60 days in order to minimize the potential economic impacts that may be incurred by the development and construction community. The City Council ratified this order on March 31, 2020. On March 19, 2020, Governor Newsom issued a stay at home order, which changed the previous allowance for dining room seating. The recent order now prohibits dining in restaurants; however, delivery and pick-up services are encouraged.

On March 19, 2020, the Director of Emergency Services ordered to provide for minimum staffing in order to slow down the spread of COVID-19 amongst City Staff. The order was ratified by the City Council on March 31, 2020.

On March 21, 2020, Governor Newson issued Executive Order N-35-30 suspending all local ordinances restricting the delivery of food products, pharmaceuticals, and other emergency necessities distributed to grocery stores and other retail and institutional channels.

On March 23, 2020, the Director of Emergency Services issued a similar order, which was ratified by the City Council on April 7, 2020.

On March 29, 2020, President Trump announced that he would extend the federal social distancing guidelines through April 30, 2020 due to the Continuing Coronavirus outbreak.

On March 31, 2020, the City Council reviewed the order for the temporary closure of bars, breweries and wineries and temporary restrictions for restaurants and unanimously voted to discontinue the order and abide by the State Order issued by Governor Newsom on March 19, 2020. The City Council also approved a resolution to establish a moratorium on evictions for non-payment of rent for residential and commercial tenants during the declared local emergency, for 60-days and waived further readings.

On April 7, 2020, the City Council reviewed the Proclamation of Local Emergency regarding the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) proclaimed on March 13, 2020 and ratified by the City Council on March17, 2020 and unanimously voted to continue the Local Emergency and return to Council in 30-days for a further review of the Local Emergency. Additionally, the City Council authorize the City Manager, or his designee, to execute all contracts, agreements, documents and/or grants over \$50,000 that pertain to the Local

Emergency and subsequently provide a detailed report of such contracts to the City Council.

On April 21, 2020, the City Council reviewed the Proclamation of Local Emergency regarding Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) proclaimed on March 13, 2020 and ratified by the City Council on March 17, 2020 until terminated by the City Council, continued the Local Emergency; and directed the Director of Emergency Services to return to Council within thirty (30) days with a further review of the Local Emergency.

On May 5, 2020, the Riverside County Board of Supervisors continued a decision requesting that the County's public health officer rescind four orders previously issued in response to the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic to a May 8, 2020 special meeting. This delay allowed the Board to consider actions and announcements released from the Governor's Office on May 7, 2020.

On May 7, 2020, the State authorized limited curbside and delivery retail and supply chains that support those businesses. This action did not include non-essential offices; dine in restaurants, or shopping malls. The State also issued guidelines and checklists to assist businesses in preparing Worksite Specific Plans.

On May 8, 2020, the Riverside County Board of Supervisors voted to rescind three of four local orders that had been issued by public health officials related to face coverings, social distancing, short-term rentals, and golf course operations. The fourth order, related to the closure of primary schools K-12 was amended to remove restrictions on higher education and vocational schools.