



EMERGENCY ORDER
IN AND FOR THE CITY OF SEQUIM, WASHINGTON

No. 2020-25

Regarding reopening Guy Cole Event Center for one-time rental by Olympic Peninsula Dental Society for purposes of Personal Protective Equipment on-site training and testing.

Policy/Budget (Council) **City Clerk use only:** Presented to Council 7/13/2020
Administrative (City Manager)

On March 16, 2020, at a special meeting of the City Council of the City of Sequim, the City Council issued a Proclamation of Civil Emergency due to the novel corona virus (COVID-19) outbreak that was identified as a pandemic by the World Health Organization on March 11, 2020.

The Proclamation of Civil Emergency was issued pursuant to Sequim Municipal Code 2.60, RCW 35A.38.010, and RCW 38.52.070(2) based on the public health threat posed by COVID-19, and is consistent with concurrent emergency declarations issued by the President of the United States and the Governor of the State of Washington.

Beginning on March 23, 2020, with Governor Inslee’s issuance of Proclamation 20-25 “Stay Home Stay Healthy”, state and local governments began to issue orders designed to stop the spread of the virus. The orders established shelter-in-place and social distancing guidelines, described essential activities, and closed businesses and schools. Over the ensuing weeks, new or revised emergency proclamations and orders have been issued by state and local governments, including the City of Sequim, allowing phased reopening of some businesses and facilities, and establishing programs to ameliorate the impact of the pandemic on the public.

Responding early to the coronavirus emergency, the City ceased accepting facility rental applications on March 11, 2020 and later cancelled existing events to comply with the Governor’s “Stay Home Stay Healthy” Proclamations and extensions. The City intends to forego renting its facilities to the public until such time as Clallam County or the state as a whole are in Phase 3 of the Governor’s Safe Start reopening plan.

On May 17, 2020, the Governor issued Proclamation 20.24.1 allowing non-urgent medical and dental procedures to occur provided specific procedures and criteria are met regarding social distancing, sanitation, and safety for patients and practitioners. The criteria includes prudent and proper handling of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE).

On May 28, 2020, the City received correspondence from the Olympic Peninsula Dental Society requesting the use of a City building for purposes of receiving on-site PPE testing from Northwest Response, a company specializing in training on respirator protection and fit testing for N95 and KN95 masks. City staff agreed that it is in the public interest to provide a location for local dental practitioners



to receive this testing and will allow the Guy Cole Event Center to be rented for this purpose on a one-time basis, with the requirement that the Dental Society and Northwest Response follow the facility sanitation and social distancing protocols currently described in the Governor's Proclamation 20.24.1.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY DIRECTED AND ORDERED THAT:

Section 1. One-Time Waiver of Facility Rental Prohibition to Allow PPE Testing for Olympic Peninsula Dental Society. The City will make an exception for the Guy Cole Event Center rental ban, and allow the Olympic Peninsula Dental Society and Northwest Response to conduct training and testing on Personal Protective Equipment in the facility. The renters will follow the facility sanitation and social distancing protocols set forth in Governor's Proclamation 20.24.1 as currently written and as may be amended or superseded by other Proclamations.

Section 2. Presentation, Ratification, Termination. Emergency Orders issued under the March 16, 2020 Proclamation of Civil Emergency will be filed with the Legal Department and presented by the City Clerk as soon as practicable to the City Council for ratification and confirmation, modification, or rejection, if applicable.

Rejected orders will be void after the Council vote rejecting them.

Until such time as Council acts, Emergency Orders will be considered in full force and effect.

Section 3. Duration. Unless modified, extended, or terminated by the Sequim City Council or Sequim City Manager as applicable, this Emergency Order is effective immediately and remains in effect until the testing event has occurred at Guy Cole Event Center.

SIGNED this 26th day of June, 2020, at _____ hours.

CITY OF SEQUIM

Handwritten signature of Charles P. Bush in black ink.

Charles P. Bush, City Manager

Approved as to form:

Handwritten signature of Kristina Nelson-Gross in black ink.

Kristina Nelson-Gross, City Attorney

Attest:

Handwritten signature of Sara McMillon in black ink.

Sara McMillon, City Clerk