

EMERGENCY ORDER NO. 20-009

AN ORDER OF THE DIRECTOR OF EMERGENCY SERVICES FOR THE CITY OF VALLEJO ORDERING A NINETY DAY EXTENSION FOR BUSINESS LICENSE RENEWAL FOR VALLEJO BUSINESSES THAT HAVE BEEN IMPACTED DAMAGED BY THE CORONAVIRUS

WHEREAS, COVID-19, caused by the novel Coronavirus, has spread throughout the United States and frequently causes severe illness and death;

WHEREAS, the President of the United States has declared a national emergency as a result of the Coronavirus; and

WHEREAS, the Governor of the State of California has declared a state emergency as a result of the Coronavirus; and

WHEREAS, the County of Solano has declared a county-wide emergency as a result of the Coronavirus; and

WHEREAS, the City of Vallejo has declared a City-wide emergency as a result of the Coronavirus on March 16, 2020 by Resolution No.20-026; and

WHEREAS, residents of the state and of the City of Vallejo ("City") have been dramatically impacted by COVID-19 and federal, state and local government responses thereto; and

WHEREAS, businesses in the state and in the City of Vallejo have lost business income as well as employees as a result of COVID-19 and federal, state and local government responses thereto; and

WHEREAS, the state of California and the County of Solano have issued stay-at-home orders dramatically limiting the movement of people in the State of California; and

WHEREAS, this Emergency Order is based upon evidence of increasing occurrence of COVID-19, caused by the novel coronavirus, throughout Solano County and the City of Vallejo and the physical damage to property caused by the virus and the disease; and

WHEREAS, owners of local businesses within the City of Vallejo have been particularly hard hit as a result of a loss of business caused by the current shelter-at-home orders; and

WHEREAS, the City has an important governmental interest in maintaining a thriving business community; and

WHEREAS, business license renewal typically should occur by July 1st of each year; and

WHEREAS, Section 2.50.070(D)(1) of the City of Vallejo Municipal Code empowers the Director of Emergency Services to make and issue rules and regulations on matters reasonably related to the protection of life and property as affected by any emergency proclaimed by the Director of Emergency Services or by the City Council.

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED as follows:

1. It is found by the Director of Emergency Services that the novel Coronavirus has negatively impacted businesses within the City of Vallejo.
2. In support of the City of Vallejo's businesses and residents, recognizing the difficulties caused by the Coronavirus, the City of Vallejo has extended the deadline for 2020 business tax renewals to September 30th, 2020. If you or your business have recently received a business tax renewal from the City of Vallejo, please disregard. A new business tax renewal will be mailed to you in late August.
3. Business license expiration date, ordinarily June 30th of each year for Fiscal Year 2019-2020 has been extended until September 30, 2020.
4. Business license fees will be due on October 31, 2020 with no late fees. There will be a ten percent (10%) late fee for renewals received between November 1, 2020 and November 30, 2020 and a fifty percent (50%) late fee for renewals received after December 1, 2020.

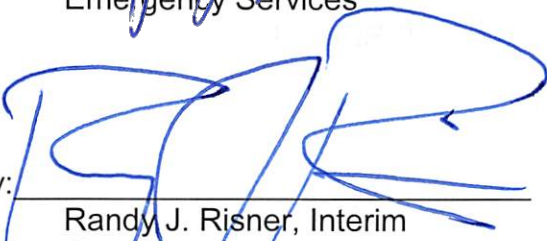
IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this order shall be presented to the City Council for ratification at the earliest possible time.

DATED: June 30, 2020

By: 
Greg Nyhoff, Director of
Emergency Services

Approved as to Form:

Dated: June 30, 2020

By: 
Randy J. Risner, Interim
City Attorney