CITY OF THORNE BAY
RESOLUTION 20-04-21-01
COVID-19 ORDER NO. 1

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF THORNE BAY, ESTABLISHING THE
HEALTH EMERGENCY ORDER NO.1, RELATED TO COVID-19 ADOPTING BY REFERENCE
HEALTH MANDATES FOR THE STATE OF ALASKA AS ISSUED AND FURTHER AUTHORIZES THE
MAYOR TO ISSUE HEALTH STATEMENTS ON BEHALF OF THE CITY COUNCIL UNTIL THE PUBLIC
HEALTH DISASTER EMERGENCY NO LONGER EXISTS

WHEREAS, COVID-19 is a respiratory disease that can result in serious illness or death and is
caused by the SARS-Cov-2 virus ("virus"), a new strain of the coronavirus that has not been
previously identified in humans and is easily transmittable person to person; and

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization ("WHO") declared the virus a
pandemic; and

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020, the State of Alaska declared a public health emergency in
response to the anticipated outbreak of the virus in Alaska; and

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, President Donald J. Trump declared a national emergency in
response to the virus pandemic; and

WHEREAS, on March 20, 2020, the City Council declared a local emergency in response to
COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on April 21, 2020, the State of Alaska issued Health Mandate No. 16 – Reopen Alaska
Responsibly Plan Phase 1-A, which was to be in effect as of 8:00 a.m. on Friday, April 24, 2020,
modifying many of the prior Mandates and Health Care Advisories; and

WHEREAS, the Thorne Bay City Council agrees that the reopening of Alaska’s business is vital to
the State’s economic well-being, and to the ability of Alaskans to provide for their families, and
supports the State’s efforts to combat COVID-19, while also supporting the State’s economy and livelihood of many residents, families and businesses; and

WHEREAS, the council continues to urge residents to stay home when they can and work from home as much as possible, conduct business via telephone, fax or electronic communications as much as possible; and

WHEREAS, anyone particularly at-risk from COVID-19 should reduce exposure by staying at home, not physically going to work, and not doing their own shopping if possible; and

WHEREAS, people that are particularly at risk of complications from COVID-19 include those 60 years and older, individuals of any age with a serious underlying medical condition and pregnant woman. Household members of those who are at elevated risk should implement these more stringent guidelines as well, to the extent possible; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the City Council for the City of Thorne Bay, adopts by reference the Health Mandates issued by the Governor for the State of Alaska, and further authorizes the Mayor to issue Health Statements on behalf of the City Council until the public health disaster emergency no longer exists.

Passed and Approved by the Thorne Bay City Council on this 28th day of April 2020.

Lee Burger, Mayor

ATTEST:

Teri Feibel, CMC