

**RESOLUTION 2020-12**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF SAN JUAN BAUTISTA ESTABLISHING A BUSINESS RECOVERY PROGRAM AND APPROPRIATE \$20,000 FROM THE GENERAL FUND RESERVE, ELIGIBLE FOR FEDERAL REIMBURSEMENT, AND A PART-TIME POSITION AND JOB DESCRIPTION FOR “DISASTER SERVICES WORKER COMMUNITY LIAISON” TO ASSIST LOCAL BUSINESSES IN RECOVERING FROM THE STATE OF EMERGENCY DUE TO THE COVID 19 VIRUS**

**WHEREAS**, on March 4, 2020, Governor Wilson declared a State of Emergency for the State of California as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic; and

**WHEREAS**, the County of San Benito declared a State of Emergency on March 6, 2020, regarding the COVID-19 Virus. Included in the County’s declaration is an aggressive order by the County Public Health Official to all residents ordering them to shelter in place to reduce the spread of the COVID-19 Virus; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council at its meeting March 17, declared a State of Emergency in San Juan Bautista; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 27, 2020, the federal government approved the Coronavirus Aide, Relief and Economic Security Act, (CARES Act”), a \$2 trillion act to help stave off total economic collapse during and following the State of Emergency; and

**WHEREAS**, it has been recognized that helping local businesses survive this disaster is the best approach help strengthen the City’s economy during this disaster, and that may of the different State federal tools for relief as very complicated and subject to frequent changes and interpretation; and

**WHEREAS**, the City feels that it is important to make every effort to help the local businesses that support the City’s local economy, and would like to provide a disaster service worker dedicated these needs as a liaison between business and other governmental agencies is the key to making the most of the relief funds recently made available in response to this disaster.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ORDERED** that the City Council approves the attached job description for the Disaster Services Worker - Community Liaison position.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the City Council appropriate \$20,000 from the General Fund Reserve to establish an emergency fund to pay for the new position and other related expenses, with the full intention of being reimbursed from FEMA for these expenses.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the City Council of the City of San Juan Bautista on this 14<sup>th</sup> day of April 2020 by the following vote:

**AYES:** Edge, Flores, Jordan, Freeman, DeVries


**NOES:** None

**ABSENT:** None

**ABSTAIN:** None

  
Mary V. Edge, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
Laura Cent, City Clerk