



Council Agenda Report

To: Mayor Pierson and the Honorable Members of the City Council

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Date prepared: November 18, 2020 Meeting date: November 23, 2020

Subject: Use of City Hall Parking Lot for Drive-Through COVID-19 Vaccination Site (Councilmember Farrer and Mayor Pierson)

RECOMMENDED ACTION: At the request of Councilmember Farrer and Mayor Pierson, 1) Consider whether to allow the City Hall parking lot to be used as a drive-through COVID-19 vaccination site; and 2) Authorize the Mayor to execute any agreements necessary to facilitate the use of the City Hall parking lot as a COVID-19 vaccination site.

FISCAL IMPACT: There is no fiscal impact associated with the recommended action. The site will be staffed by medical personnel from Malibu Medical. If necessary, the City will request volunteer services to be provided by Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) members to assist with traffic control.

WORK PLAN: This item was not included in the Adopted Work Plan for Fiscal year 2020-2021. If approved, this project would be part of emergency staff operations.

DISCUSSION: The City has recently been approached by Malibu Medical to provide the City Hall parking lot for use as a drive-through site to administer the COVID-19 vaccine should it become available.

Background

On March 4, 2020, California Governor Gavin Newsom declared a State of Emergency in response to the increased spread of COVID-19. Additionally, on March 4, 2020, the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors and the Department of Public Health all declared a local and public health emergency in response to the increased spread of COVID-19 across the country and in Los Angeles County. The President of the United States declared a major disaster for California for the COVID-19 pandemic on March 22, 2020.

The City activated its Emergency Operations Center on March 12, 2020. The City's Director of Emergency Services, in accordance with Malibu Municipal Code Section

2.52.060, proclaimed the existence of a local emergency on March 14, 2020. On March 16, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 20-14 ratifying the Director's Proclamation of Existence of a Local Emergency issued on March 14, 2020. The resolution established the powers, functions, and duties of the Director of Emergency Services shall be those prescribed by State law and by the ordinances and resolutions of the City.

On March 19, 2020, the Governor issued Executive Order N-33-20 ordering all residents of California to stay home except as needed to maintain the operations of critical infrastructure sectors. The Los Angeles County Health Officer issued a series of orders that mirrored and expanded on this Order. The City is subject to the orders of the County Health Official.

Since that time, the Los Angeles County Public Health Officer has periodically revised the Public Health order based on the County's epidemiological metrics and the State orders. The current Los Angeles County Public Health Order was most recently updated on October 23, 2020.

On November 17, 2020, in response to a surge in COVID-19 cases and a rise in hospitalizations in Los Angeles and across California, Los Angeles County Department of Public Health (LADPH) officials announced new restrictions effective November 20, 2020, urged everyone to take immediate action to slow the spread of COVID-19 and warned that further restrictions will be implemented if local epidemiological metrics don't improve.

Current Considerations

The COVID-19 vaccine is anticipated to be available in December 2020 for distribution pursuant to federal guidelines. There is currently an application process through the County of Los Angeles for doctors and pharmacies to apply to receive and administer the vaccine. Malibu Medical has applied through this process and has requested whether the City could provide the City Hall parking lot for use as a drive-through site from which to administer the COVID-19 vaccine.

The location and layout of the City Hall parking lot make it well-suited to accommodate drive-through services. In April 2020, the City partnered with Community Organization Relief Effort (CORE) and Malibu Medical to provide COVID-19 drive-through testing in the City Hall parking lot. As a result of this partnership, over 3,000 tests were provided to community members, with several hundred tests administered on a daily basis without causing back up and delays on Pacific Coast Highway. City Hall continues to be open to the public by appointment only and use of the parking lot for drive-through vaccination services is not anticipated to have a significant impact on City operations.

Councilmember Farrer and Mayor Pierson are seeking consensus from the Council on whether to allow the City Hall parking lot to be used as a drive-through site for the administration of the COVID-19 vaccine when it becomes available. If approved, the Mayor

will execute any agreements necessary to facilitate the implementation of the drive-through vaccination site and staff will work with Malibu Medical to coordinate the use of the site.

ATTACHMENTS: None