

## RESOLUTION NO. 3964

### RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COALINGA DECLARING ALL BUSINESSES IN THE CITY AS ESSENTIAL BUSINESSES

**WHEREAS**, the City Council of the City of Coalinga proclaimed a local emergency in its adoption of Resolution No. 3959 in response to the spread of the novel coronavirus ("COVID-19");

**WHEREAS**, the California Governor has enacted Executive Order Number N-33-20 designating certain business sectors as essential and requesting those employed at essential businesses to abide by social distancing guidelines;

**WHEREAS**, in response to Executive Order Number N-33-20, a large number of local businesses were deemed non-essential and forced to close to prevent the spread of COVID-19;

**WHEREAS**, cities in California have the authority to designate their own essential businesses in order to maintain public health and safety and to support businesses;

**WHEREAS**, the City Council of the City of Coalinga has deemed it necessary to declare and categorize all businesses within the City as "essential business" for the purpose of allowing all businesses to remain open during the COVID-19 pandemic;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ORDERED** by the City Council of the City of Coalinga that:

1. All businesses within the City of Coalinga limits are declared and categorized as "essential businesses" and are permitted to remain open for the duration of the local and state emergency.
2. All businesses which chose to remain open during the COVID-19 pandemic shall adhere to the social distancing guidelines as provided by the Center for Disease Control including, but not limited to the following:
  - a. stay at least 6 feet (about 2 arms' length) from other people;
  - b. Do not gather in groups; and
  - c. Stay out of crowded places and avoid mass gatherings.
3. All businesses which chose to remain open during the COVID-19 pandemic are strongly encouraged to follow the suggestions below from the Center for Disease Control:
  - a. Encourage employees and patrons to wash their hands thoroughly for at least 20 seconds after being in a public space;
  - b. Encourage employees and patrons to use hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol;
  - c. Encourage employees and patrons to avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth while in a public space;

- d. Encourage employees and patrons to cover your mouth and nose with a cloth face cover, such as a mask or bandana;
- e. Encourage employees and patrons to cover coughs and sneezes with a tissue or elbow and immediately wash your hands for at least 20 seconds afterwards;
- f. Develop and implement a plan for cleaning and disinfecting surfaces which the public will come in contact with including a normal routine cleaning with soap and water on surfaces and objects and disinfect using EPA-approved disinfectants.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the City Council of the City of Coalinga at a regular meeting on this **7th day of May, 2020**, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

APPROVED:

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Ron Lander, Mayor

ATTESTS:

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Shannon Jensen, City Clerk