## SOUTHWEST SUBURBAN SEWER DISTRICT KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

## **RESOLUTION NO. 2020-03-02**

A RESOLUTION OF THE SOUTHWEST SUBURBAN SEWER DISTRICT, KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON, DECLARING AN EMERGENCY RELATING TO THE COVID-19 VIRUS.

WHEREAS, on January 31, 2020, the Secretary of the United States Department of Public Health and Human Services, Alex Azar, declared a public health emergency to aid state health departments' efforts to curb the spread of the novel coronavirus known as COVID-19;

WHEREAS, on February 29, 2020, Governor Jay Inslee signed a Proclamation declaring that a state of emergency exists in all counties in the State of Washington due to the number of confirmed cases of COVID-19 in the State, and directed that the plans and procedures of the Washington State Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan be implemented;

WHEREAS, on March 1, 2020, King County Executive Dow Constantine signed a Proclamation of Emergency due to the number of confirmed cases of COVID-19 in King County, thereby enabling the government of King County to take extraordinary measures in response to the presence of COVID-19 in King County;

WHEREAS, in response to the above referenced proclamations of emergencies, on March 17<sup>th</sup>, 2020, the District General Manager implemented the District's Continuity of Operations Plan and began to develop and implement mitigation measures to relating to COVID-19;

WHEREAS, Southwest Suburban Sewer District provides critical sewer services to customers located within the cities of Burien, Normandy Park, Des Moines, SeaTac, Seattle and areas of unincorporated King County, which services are essential for public health and safety; and

WHEREAS, the District Board of Commissioners desires to formally declare an emergency so appropriate measures may be taken as determined appropriate by the District to protect the health, safety and welfare of the District's customers, employees and the general public residing within areas served by the District; now, therefore,

- **BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Board of Commissioners of Southwest Suburban Sewer District, King County, Washington, as follows:
- 1. <u>Declaration of Emergency</u>. The District hereby declares that a local emergency now exists due to the COVID-19 virus. The District General Manager and staff shall take such actions as are deemed appropriate pursuant to the District's Continuity of Operations Plan.

2. Additional Powers and Authority. In light of the evolving nature of the COVID-19 outbreak, and pursuant to the authority granted by RCW 38.52.070 and RCW 57.08.005(22), the District is authorized to exercise the powers vested under this Declaration of Emergency without regard to time consuming procedures and the formalities prescribed by law (excepting mandatory constitutional requirements), including but not limited to budget law limitations, requirements for competitive bidding and publication of notices, provisions pertaining to the performance of public work, entering into contracts, the incurring of obligations, the employment of temporary workers, the rental of equipment, the purchase of supplies and materials, and the appropriation and expenditure of public funds. The District General Manager is further authorized to implement appropriate personnel policies to address the COVID-19 virus, which policies may be brought back to the Board of Commissioners for formal ratification.

ADOPTED by the Board of Commissioners of Southwest Suburban Sewer District, King County, Washington, at the special meeting thereof held this 17<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2020.

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Vote on Resolution		and and
In Favor Of: Opposed: Abstained:		Scott Hilsen President and Commissioner
In Favor Of: Opposed: Abstained:		Susan Genzale Vice President and Commissioner
In Favor Of: Opposed: Abstained:		William A. Tracy Secretary and Commissioner

## **CERTIFICATE**

I, William A. Tracy, Secretary of the Board of Commissioners of Southwest Suburban Sewer District, King County, Washington, do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution is a true and correct copy of Resolution No. 2020-03-02 of such Board, duly adopted at a regular meeting thereof held on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2020, signed by the members of such Board in attendance at such meeting and attested by myself in authentication of such adoption.

William A. Tracy, Secretary

Board of Commissioners

Southwest Suburban Sewer District

King County, Washington