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PALM BEACH COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

Meeting Date: De	cember 21, 2021	[X] Consent [] Ordinance	[] Regular [] Public Hearing	
Department: Submitted By: Submitted For: ========	<u>Department of Public Safety</u> <u>Department of Public Safety</u> <u>Division of Emergency Management</u>			
	<u>E</u>)	ECUTIVE BRIEF		

Motion and Title: Staff recommends motion to receive and file: the following Declarations related to coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19):

A. Declaration of Continuing State of Emergency PBC, FL dated October 18, 2021; andB. Termination of State of Emergency PBC, FL dated October 19, 2021

Summary: On March 13, 2020, a nationwide declaration of emergency was issued due to an outbreak of COVID-19, a serious respiratory illness that is highly contagious, can be fatal, and has already caused death. The County issued a State of Local Emergency on Friday, March 13, 2020, which remained through June 26, 2021. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has designated the B.1.617.2 variant of the COVID-19 virus, known as the "Delta" variant, a variant of concern and it has caused a reversal in the downward trajectory of cases and an alarming increase in hospitalizations. Based on this recent surge, on August 17, 2021 the Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners (BCC) unanimously voted to declare a local State of Emergency relating to the COVID-19 pandemic. The local emergency was ongoing and the declarations of continuing the State of Local Emergency were necessary to initiate emergent actions taken by the County Administrator to ensure the health, safety and welfare of the community. With the executed State of Local Emergency, resources were available through the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act, American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, and/or Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Public Assistance. Staff were able to purchase equipment, materials, supplies, and open non-congregate shelters for residents and persons who may be in need of isolation. Termination of State of Emergency PBC, FL was signed October 19, 2021. <u>Countywide</u> (LDC) The

Background and Justification: The President of the United States declared a National Emergency on Friday, March 13, 2020, at 1530 hours. On August 17, 2021, the BCC declared a State of Local Emergency due to the on-going risk of COVID-19 "Delta" variant. Pursuant to Florida Statutes, Section 252.38(3)(a)(5), the State of Local Emergency expires every 7 days unless extended.

Attachments:

1. Declaration of Continuing State of Emergency PBC, FL dated October 18, 2021; and

2. Termination of State of Emergency PBC, FL dated October 19, 2021

Recommended By:	Sepier	12/121	
	Department Director	Date	
Approved By:	Assistant County Administrator	12/14/2021 Date	

II. FISCAL IMPACT ANALYSIS

A. Five Year Summary of Fiscal Impact

Fiscal Years	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2025</u>	<u>2026</u>	
Capital Expenditures Operating Costs						
External Revenues Program Income (County) In-Kind Match (County)						
Net Fiscal Impact	*					
# ADDITIONAL FTE POSITIONS (Cumulative)						
Is Item Included in Current Bu Does this item include the us	udget? Yes e of federal funds?	No Yes N	0			
Budget Account Exp No: Rev No:						
B. Recommended Sources of *Fiscal impact is undetermina expenses associated with the Aid, Relief, and Economic Sec	ble at this time. The Coronavirus through	e County will in the PA progra	equest reimb			
Departmental Fiscal Review:		<u>(b) 10</u>	62121			
II. <u>REVIEW COMMENTS</u>						
A. OFMB Fiscal and/or Contr A. OFMB Fiscal and/or Contr OFMB J J-2-21 B. Legal Sufficiency: Assistant County Atto C. Other Department Review	rney	A.	act Administ $-\sqrt{3}$ - z	vlution ration	13121	

Department Director

This summary is not to be used as a basis for payment.



DECLARATION OF CONTINUING STATE OF EMERGENCY PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA

WHEREAS, on August 17, 2021, Palm Beach County declared a local state of emergency ("Declaration of Emergency") due to the outbreak of coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19), a serious respiratory illness that is highly contagious, can be fatal, and has already caused the death of a number of citizens; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to applicable law, the Declaration of Emergency has been extended every seven (7) days due to the continuation of the COVID-19 outbreak in Palm Beach County; and

WHEREAS, based on the current data available, COVID-19 continues to constitute a clear and present threat to the health, safety, and welfare of the people of Palm Beach County; and

WHEREAS, based on the foregoing, it is necessary to extend the Declaration of Emergency for an additional seven (7) days, continuing the local state of emergency until 12:01 a.m. on October 26, 2021.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED AND DECLARED THAT, pursuant to all applicable laws, including, but not limited to, the Palm Beach County Emergency Management Ordinance:

- 1. The foregoing recitals are incorporated herein by reference.
- 2. Effective at 12:01 a.m. on October 19, 2021, the Palm Beach County local Declaration of Emergency is hereby extended for an additional seven (7) days, until 12:01 a.m. on October 26, 2021.
- 3. This Declaration shall expire at the date and time set forth herein unless further extended or terminated by the Board of County Commissioners, the Mayor, Vice Mayor, or County Administrator, as permitted in the Palm Beach County Code.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL SUFFICIENCY

× By: Mayor Dave Kerner

Date: $\frac{10/18/2}{}$

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Filed Date: 10/18/21

By: <u>/s/ Denise Coffman, Esq.</u> **County Attorney**

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TERMINATION OF STATE OF EMERGENCY PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA

WHEREAS, on August 17, 2021, Palm Beach County declared a local state of emergency ("Declaration of Emergency") due to the outbreak of coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19), which has been extended in seven (7) day increments in accordance with applicable law; and

WHEREAS, on August 23, 2021, pursuant to the Declaration of Emergency, Palm Beach County issued Emergency Directive 2021-A, which required hospitals to produce daily operational reports to the County to ensure local efforts to combat the COVID-19 virus were as effective as possible; and

WHEREAS, at its October 19, 2021 regular meeting, the Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners unanimously voted to terminate the local Declaration of Emergency, along with Emergency Directive 2021-A.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED AND DECLARED THAT, in accordance with the directive from the Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners, and pursuant to all applicable laws, including, but not limited to, the Palm Beach County Emergency Management Ordinance:

- 1. The foregoing recitals are incorporated herein by reference.
- 2. The local Declaration of Emergency is hereby terminated.
- 3. Emergency Directive 2021-A is hereby terminated.
- 4. The foregoing is effective immediately.

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By: Mayor Dave Kerner

Date: 10/19/21

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By: _____ Deputy Clark

Filed Date: _____ 10 | 19 | 202 |

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL SUFFICIENCY

By: <u>/s/ Denise Coffman, Esq.</u> County Attorney

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