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Legislation Text

File #: ORD 20-006, **Version:** 1

Introduction and First Reading on Ordinance 20-006, an Emergency Ordinance to Stay-at-Home for All within the City of Brookings to Limit the Spread of COVID-19 in the City of Brookings; and Other Restrictions within the City of Brookings, South Dakota; Declaring an Emergency, Providing for an Effective Date and a Time for Termination. Second Reading: date to be determined.

Summary:

The City of Brookings has numerous plans in place for operational and community response. In March, the City Council passed the existing emergency ordinance that details what residents cannot do. A Stay-at-Home ordinance was requested by Council as the next progression of response to the COVID-19 spread. An ordinance is presented for discussion and potential first reading. Council has the option of tabling the ordinance to a future date when such action is warranted. The specific language detailing what residents can do is detailed in the attached ordinance and federal guidelines.

Background:

On March 23rd, the City Council enacted the existing Emergency Ordinance 20-005, which is set to expire May 6th. This ordinance limits the operation of bars, restaurants, theaters, gyms, casinos, indoor recreational facilities, salons, and barber shops. More recently, the ordinance was revised on April 8th to address CDC social distancing recommendations. These efforts were put into place for the best interests of public health for the Brookings community and designed to reduce the potential spread of the COVID-19 virus. The existing ordinance defines what residents cannot do.

A Stay-at-Home Ordinance is requested for implementation should City Council feel existing conditions warrant such measures. The Stay-at-Home Ordinance is more restrictive and limits activity outside of the home to what is absolutely necessary. The first reading of the ordinance would occur April 14th; however, rather than placing a second reading five (5) days later, a tabling can occur. The final reading date would be determined by Council decision.

Recommendation:

This item was requested by Council. There is no recommendation by staff as the implementation would be directed by the City Council.

Attachments:

- Memo
- Ordinance
- CISA List
- Stay-at-Home Key Points