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**NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING OF THE EDGEMONT RANCH METROPOLITAN DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

TO ALL QUALIFIED TAXPAYING ELECTORS OF EDGEMONT RANCH METROPOLITAN DISTRICT TO ALL OTHER PERSONS TO WHOM IT MAY BE OF CONCERN:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN the Special Meeting of the Edgemont Ranch Metropolitan District Board of Directors will be held at **4:00 PM on Thursday, March 26, 2020 via Zoom.**
Join Zoom Meeting

The purpose of the meeting is to as to stated below.

AGENDA ITEM:

- 1) The Board will convene a special meeting to discuss Emergency Declaration.
- 2) Consideration will be given to the waiver of Metro late fees

Click on link below to join in the meeting.

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Dated this 26th day of March, 2020.
EDGEMONT RANCH METROPOLITAN DISTRICT
Steve Martin, President

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Edgemont Ranch Metropolitan District Special Meeting Minutes

A special meeting of ERMD was convened at 4:00 p.m. on Thursday March 26, 2020 via Zoom.

Board members that joined the board meeting remotely; Steve Martin, Rich Butler, Al Winzerling and Larry Mongelli. Staff members Robert Ludwig, Mike Lancianese, Kurtis Martinez, Mark Fuson, Marilyn Heide and Annette Hutchins also joined in. Residents Troy Stephan of the Highlands and Jim Walker from the Meadows were added on-line as well.

This special meeting was held to pass a resolution that continued the provisions that were put into effect beginning March 20, 2020 concerning the outbreak of Covid-19. This action then had to be board approved 7 days later to meet the requirements to this emergency provision. (See attached "Disaster Declaration".) Mr. Martin moved to approve this measure and stated: "NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE EDGEMONT RANCH METROPOLITAN DISTRICT that the Local Emergency Disaster Declaration signed by the Manager of the District on March 20, 2020 related to COVID-19, pursuant to the authority granted under C.R.S. § 24-33.5-709 is hereby approved and the provisions of the said Declaration, including the exercise of the powers and authority described in the Declaration are hereby ratified and continued until further action of the Board", seconded by Mr. Winzerling, All on-line attending board members said, "Aye", the resolution was approved and ratified. (See attachment: Resolution No. 2020-3-26)

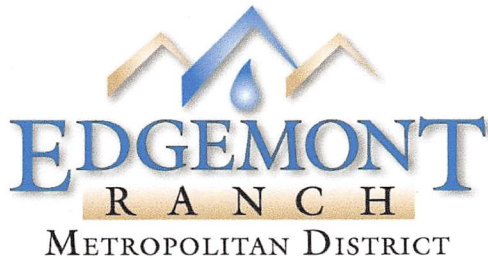
Mr. Butler reviewed issues related to the local emergency declaration by implementing the following procedures to minimize Metro staff and community exposure to the virus. (See attachment, "Public Announcement", for complete list of procedures.)

The Board members offered a consideration to waive Metro late fees for residents having hardships relating to the virus outbreak. Mr. Martin moved to approve this consideration of waiving late fees, seconded by Mr. Winzerling. All on-line attending board members approved.

Lastly, Mr. Ludwig stated that he may receive a placard to be placed on his staff vehicle to identify him as an approved personal by Sheriff Sean Smith to carry out Metro tasks in case of an extreme lock-down situation related to Covid-19.

Mr. Martin adjourned the meeting at 4:12 p.m.

Respectively Submitted,
Annette Hutchins
Administrative Assistant



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RESOLUTION NO. 2020 – 3-26

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE EDGEMONT RANCH METROPOLITAN DISTRICT APPROVING THE CONTINUATION OF THE DECLARATION OF A LOCAL DISASTER EMERGENCY RELATED TO COVID-19.

WHEREAS, the Edgemont Ranch Metropolitan District (the “District”) is a quasi-municipal corporation and political subdivision of the State of Colorado organized pursuant to the Colorado Special District Act, C.R.S. 32-1-101, *et seq.* (the “Act”); and

WHEREAS, the District owns and operates water and wastewater systems which provide essential services for residents in the District; and

WHEREAS, the provisions of C.R.S. § 24-33.5-709 authorize the chief executive officer of a political subdivision to declare a local disaster emergency under certain conditions; and

WHEREAS, the provisions C.R.S. § 24- 33.5-709 state that a declaration of a local disaster emergency shall not continue for a period in excess of seven (7) days except with the consent of the governing board of the political subdivision; and

WHEREAS, the Manager of the District has declared a local disaster emergency due to the presence of the Coronavirus within the state of Colorado and that the preparation and execution of a response plan is necessary, a copy of which is attached hereto (the “Declaration”); and

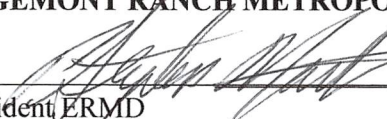
WHEREAS, the immediate and long-term potential costs associated with the COVID-19 outbreak may be in excess of the District’s available resources; and

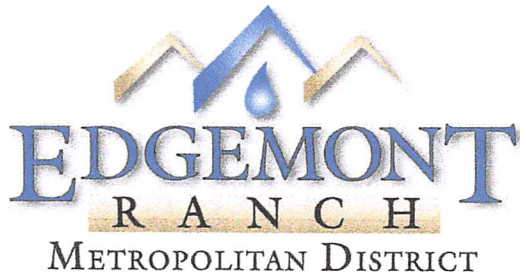
WHEREAS, the Declaration acknowledges that it will not continue for a period in excess of seven days without the approval of the District Board of Directors, and the Board desires to give its consent to the continuation of the Declaration; and

WHEREAS, the Board finds that the local disaster emergency described in the Declaration is ongoing, and that the Declaration should be continued until the emergency ceases.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE EDGEMONT RANCH METROPOLITAN DISTRICT that the Local Emergency Disaster Declaration signed by the Manager of the District on March 20, 2020 related to COVID-19, pursuant to the authority granted under C.R.S. § 24-33.5-709 is hereby approved and the provisions of the said Declaration, including the exercise of the powers and authority described in the Declaration are hereby ratified and continued until further action of the Board.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED this ^{26th} day of March 2020.
EDGEMONT RANCH METROPOLITAN DISTRICT

By 
President ERMD



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Disaster Declaration

WHEREAS, Edgemont Ranch Metropolitan District ("District") is a quasi-municipal corporation and political subdivision of the state of Colorado and;

WHEREAS, pursuant to C.R.S. § 24-33.5-709(1) a local disaster may be declared by the principal executive officer of a political subdivision for up to seven days, and then must have the consent by the governing board of the political subdivision; and

WHEREAS, the effect of a declaration of local disaster emergency is to activate the response and recovery aspects of any and all applicable local and interjurisdictional disaster emergency plans and to authorize the furnishing of aid and assistance under such plans, pursuant to C.R.S. § 24-33.5-709(2); and

WHEREAS, the Coronavirus, a/k/a COVID-19, constitutes a public health emergency of International concern and has been determined to be present in Colorado and can be anticipated to spread significantly, requiring emergency preparation and execution of procedures to minimize its impact and protect the health, safety and welfare of District constituents; and

WHEREAS, the District provides essential services within La Plata which has declared this matter to be a local disaster emergency; and

NOW, THEREFORE, the principal executive officer of the District declares that the presence of the Coronavirus within the State of Colorado constitutes a local disaster emergency that warrants preparation for and execution of procedures to deal with the emergency and that funds in such amounts as shall be determined by the principal executive officer and the governing body of the District shall be allocated from District reserves toward preparation and execution of a response plan.

DECLARED this 20th day of March 2020.

By: *P. Stephen Munter, president ERMD*

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NOTICE
EDGEMONT RANCH METRO DISTRICT ISSUES
LOCAL EMERGENCY DECLARATION

As you have heard, San Juan Basin Public Health (SJBPH) has declared a Local Public Health Emergency to protect the health of community members most at risk of severe illness due to novel coronavirus (COVID-19). In addition both the City of Durango and La Plata County have issued Local Emergency Declarations. Edgemont Ranch Metropolitan District also announces a Local Emergency Declaration in order to mitigate the spread of COVID-19 and protect staff and community members.

A copy of the Board's Local Emergency Declaration is on ERMD's website. It is important to note that the Governor has implemented various orders calling for residents to stay at home. This is a serious situation and to protect our staff and residents we ask that residents avoid visiting ERMD's office.

ERMD's Board is implementing the following procedures to minimize our staff and community exposure to the virus:

1. **Bill Payment:** Please make all payments to ERMD either through our online process or via the mail.
2. **Restricted Office Access:** Please do not visit the ERMD office. If you need information or assistance call the office at (970) 259-3102 or for a utility emergency at (970) 317-1011. Staff is on call for emergencies and assistance but some are working remotely until further notice.
3. **Builder/Contractor Contact:** For forms or assistance relating to permits, lot sales, meter installation and related building activity please FIRST call the Metro office to arrange for the forms to be assembled and a time for pick up. If a signature is needed please FIRST call the office to arrange drop off and staff will add signatures and contact you when the signed forms are available.
4. **Follow CDC/SJBPH Guidelines:** We ask everyone who does arrange to pick up documents to wash your hands on entering (we have hand sanitizer on the front table) and keep a six foot "social distance" from staff. If you feel sick or have any cold or flu symptoms or have been in contact with anyone who is sick STAY HOME.

It is crucial that our staff remain healthy so that we can continue to provide water, sewer and road clearing services. Respecting the above procedures will mitigate the risks to our employees and residents.

Finally, ERMD realizes that the pandemic and various local, state and national orders have created difficulties for many people. ERMD will work with affected residents who may be experiencing financial hardship arising from the pandemic to set up a payment plan for ERMD's monthly charges, which might include waiving late fees on the District's bills through May 30, 2020 or longer as the case may be.

March 26, 2020 by the Edgemont Ranch Metro District Board of Directors