

CITY OF GUSTAVUS, ALASKA
RESOLUTION CY20-13 (Amended 04-14-2020)

A RESOLUTION BY THE CITY OF GUSTAVUS
REGARDING TRAVEL INTO GUSTAVUS

WHEREAS, COVID-19 is a respiratory disease that can result in serious illness or death and is caused by the SARS-Cov-2 virus (“virus”), a new strain of the coronavirus that has not been previously identified in humans and is easily transmittable person to person; and

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020, the State of Alaska declared a public health emergency in response to the anticipated outbreak of the virus in Alaska; and

WHEREAS, on March 24, 2020, the City Council passed Resolution CY20-11 declaring a local emergency in the City of Gustavus in response to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on March 27, 2020, the State of Alaska issued Health Mandate 12: Intrastate Travel – Limiting travel between communities to critical infrastructure critical personal needs to go into effect on March 28, 2020 at 5:00 pm and will be reevaluated by April 11, 2020; and

WHEREAS, on March 30, 2020 the City Council passed Resolution CY20-12 mandating social distancing effective at 11:59pm on March 30, 2020; and

WHEREAS, Resolution CY20-13 recognizes the provisions of Mandate 12 and incorporates its procedures to the greatest extent practicable; and

WHEREAS, Gustavus is a community that is removed from the road system, has a population smaller than 3,000, and does not house a hub hospital managed by the tribal healthcare system, and therefore is a Small Community defined in the Alaska Small Community Emergency Travel Order issued in conjunction with COVID-19 Health Mandate 12; and

WHEREAS, this resolution is similar to an emergency declaration and is reasonable and necessary under the circumstances to protect the public, health, welfare, and safety in Gustavus.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY GUSTAVUS, ALASKA:

Section 1. This resolution may also be referred to as “COG COVID-19 Rule 2.”

Section 2. Orders for compliance with this Resolution follow those issued by the Governor and include the following parts, details can be found within Health Mandate 012 – Intrastate Travel.

Section 3. Prohibition on Travel. All travel into Gustavus, whether resident, worker, or visitor, is prohibited unless to support critical infrastructure, or for critical personal needs. All persons traveling into the City of Gustavus by vessel or airplane must complete a Gustavus Travel Declaration form prior to or on arrival in Gustavus.

Section 4. Mandated Quarantine for Incoming Travelers. With the exception of the travel exceptions listed in Sections 5 and 6, any person traveling into the City of Gustavus by vessel or airplane, in addition to completing a Gustavus Mandatory Travel Declaration form, shall self-quarantine for 14 days upon arriving in Gustavus and monitor for symptoms of illness.

Quarantine applies to family members or others that share the residence of the traveler. A person may walk outside provided that they do not approach public places, do not come within 6 feet of another person and, according to CDC and State health guidelines, wear a cloth face covering (mask) at all times when they are outside of their designated quarantine location.

Section 5. Exemptions for Essential Services, Critical Infrastructure, and Public Health.

People performing work necessary to critical workforce infrastructure, or traveling to Gustavus to perform essential public health duties are exempt from the quarantine requirement but are required to comply with all State health mandates and advisories. Exempt businesses with workers who travel from out of state or between communities within the state must submit a plan outlining protocols for avoiding spread of COVID-19, and submit the plan to akcovidplans@ak-prepared.com pursuant to the Alaska Essential Services and Critical Workforce Infrastructure Order, and submit a copy to the City of Gustavus. In addition, the requirements of State Health Mandate 12, Attachment B will be enforced in the City of Gustavus. It is strongly advised that, when not at work, personnel self-quarantine, avoid public spaces, and wear facemasks when outside.

Section 6. Other Emergency Travel Exceptions. This Order does not prohibit or restrict the following emergency travel: Emergency First Responders (fire, ambulatory services, and other similar emergency first responders; Law Enforcement acting within their official duties; and the State Office of Children’s Services personnel responding to reports of child abuse and neglect and insuring child safety.

Section 7. Orders for compliance with this Resolution follow those issued by the Governor and include the following parts, details can be found within Health Mandate 012 – Intrastate Travel and Attachment B, Alaska Small Community Emergency Travel Order amended April 9, 2020:

- I. All in-state travel between communities.
- II. Personal Travel.
- III. Travel for critical reasons or critical personal travel exemption

ORDER APPLICABILITY. In accordance with Attachment B, certain emergency travel is imperative during the COVID-19 pandemic for both public health and safety as well as community well-being. Therefore, the following Order applicability is incorporated to this Resolution. This Order is applicable to Alaskan communities that are removed from the road system, have a population smaller than 3,000, and do not house a hub hospital managed by the tribal healthcare system.

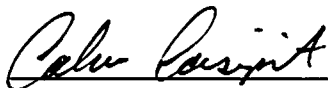
- SMALL COMMUNITY TRAVEL RESTRICTIONS AND EXCEPTIONS. A Small Community (as defined above) may adopt travel restrictions that are more restrictive than otherwise permitted in Health Mandate 012.

DUTIES OF AIR CARRIERS AND OTHER TRAVEL RELATED BUSINESSES. Air carriers and other travel related businesses conducting travel to Small Communities shall inquire if travelers are permitted to travel under this Order and shall rely upon a traveler’s assurance that they are eligible to travel. Air carriers and other travel related businesses shall have no other duty or obligation to verify that travelers meet the criteria for permissible travel under this Order.

Section 8. The City Mayor shall monitor State COVID-19 Health Mandates issued by the Governor and Health Alerts issued by the public health authorities and apply them accordingly for the protection of the residents of Gustavus. The City Council will also have latitude to immediately lift travel restrictions as conditions change and as necessary.

Section 9 Effective Date and Duration. This amended resolution shall be effective at 11:59 p.m. on April 14, 2020 It will remain in effect until July 1, 2020.

PASSED and APPROVED by the Gustavus City Council this 14th day of April 2020, and effective upon adoption.



Calvin Casipit, Mayor



Attest: Karen Platt, CMC