

RESOLUTION R22-51

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PALOS VERDES ESTATES, CALIFORNIA, PROCLAIMING THE EXISTENCE OF A LOCAL EMERGENCY, AND RATIFYING THE PROCLAMATION OF LOCAL EMERGENCY BY THE DIRECTOR OF EMERGENCY SERVICES, DUE TO LANDSLIDE AND FURTHER LANDSLIDE RISK

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PALOS VERDES ESTATES, CALIFORNIA, DOES RESOLVE, DECLARE, DETERMINE AND ORDER AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. *Recitals.*

- A. On the morning of December 9, 2022 a landslide occurred along the coast near Rosita Place in the City of Palos Verdes Estates, adjacent to the City of Torrance.
- B. The Los Angeles County Fire Department, City of Palos Verdes Estates Police Department and City of Torrance Police Department arrived on scene shortly after.
- C. First responders confirmed a portion of the cliff collapsed and fell on the beach below.
- D. Additional portions of the cliff collapsed through the remainder of the day.
- E. At the request of the Los Angeles Fire Department, which the City of Palos Verdes Estates contracts with for Fire services, the City secured the services of a geotechnical engineering firm to evaluate soil, rock, and groundwater conditions to ensure the safety of the area and nearby structures.
- F. Rain is likely to worsen the present conditions of disaster or extreme peril to the safety of persons and property as defined in Government Code section 8558(c)(1) and increase further landslide risk or danger, which are likely to be beyond the control of the services, personnel, equipment and facilities of this city, requiring the combined forces of other political subdivisions to combat.
- G. These conditions warrant and necessitate that the City of Palos Verdes Estates declare the existence of a local emergency.
- H. On December 10, 2022, the City Manager proclaimed the existence of a local emergency due to this landslide and the risk of further landslide.
- I. Palos Verdes Estates Municipal Code section 2.08.060 empowers the Director of Emergency Services to proclaim the existence or threatened existence of a local emergency due to conditions of disaster or of extreme peril to the safety of life, property or the environment within the City and the City Council is not in session;

- J. A declaration of a local emergency will assist in a coordinated public response at this location, which is at the intersection of the City, the city of Torrance, and property owned by the State of California and the County of Los Angeles, and help mitigate the effects of this emergency on the citizens of the City;
- K. Under Government Code section 8630(b), a proclamation of local emergency must be ratified by the City Council within seven (7) days to remain in effect;
- L. Government Code section 8630 generally requires the City Council to review the need for continuing the local emergency at least every sixty (60) days; and
- M. The City Council desires to declare a local emergency and ratify the proclamation of local emergency by the City Manager.

SECTION 2. *Proclamation of Emergency.* Pursuant to California Government Code section 8630 and Palos Verdes Estates Municipal Code §2.28.060, the City Council hereby finds and proclaims and ratifies a local emergency caused by landslide and the continued threat of further collapse, which constitutes an extreme peril of health and safety of persons within the territorial limits of the City and which is likely to be beyond the control of the services, personnel, equipment and facilities of this city, requiring the combined forces of other political subdivisions to combat.

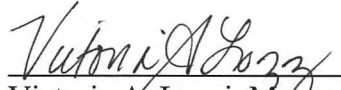
SECTION 3: *Duration.* The local emergency shall be deemed to continue to exist until its termination is proclaimed by the City Council. As required by law, the City Council shall review the need to continue the state of emergency every 60 days until this resolution is terminated.

SECTION 4: *City Manager Authority.* The City Manager, acting as the Director of Emergency Services, is hereby authorized to furnish information, to promulgate orders and regulations necessary to provide for the protection of life and property pursuant to California Government Code section 8634, to enter into agreements, to take all actions necessary to obtain State emergency assistance, and to implement preventive measures to protect and preserve the residents of the City within the scope of the local emergency hereby declared.

SECTION 5: During the existence of said local emergency, the powers, functions, and duties of the emergency organization of this City shall be those prescribed by state law, ordinances, and resolutions of this City of Palos Verdes Estates.

SECTION 6. This Resolution will become effective immediately upon adoption and will remain effective unless repealed or superseded.

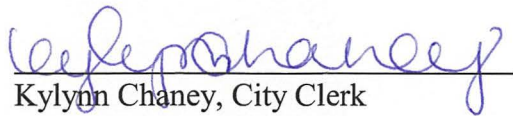
PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED on December 13, 2022.



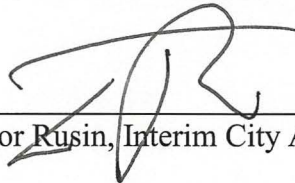
Victoria A. Lozzi, Mayor

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Kylynn Chaney, City Clerk



Trevor Rusin, Interim City Attorney

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES) SS:
CITY OF PALOS VERDES ESTATES)

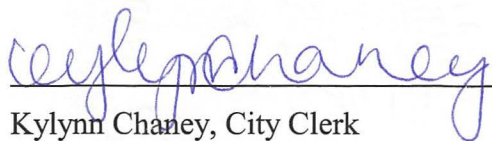
I, Kylynn Chaney, City Clerk for the City of Palos Verdes Estates, California, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution **R22-51** was duly and regularly approved and adopted by the City Council of the City of Palos Verdes Estates at its regular meeting of the City Council on the 13th day of December, 2022, by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Lozzi, Roos, Murdock, McGowan, Kemps

NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: None

ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: None

ABSTAIN: COUNCILMEMBER: None



Kylynn Chaney, City Clerk