

RESOLUTION NO. 1642

**A RESOLUTION DECLARING AN EMERGENCY IN THE CITY OF CENTRAL POINT  
AND ADOPTING MEASURES TO PREVENT, MINIMIZE, RESPOND TO OR  
RECOVER FROM THE WILDFIRE EMERGENCY**

RECITALS:

- A. ORS 401.305 and Central Point Emergency Operations Plan ("EOP") provide authority for the City of Central Point to act as an emergency management agency, including authority to establish policies and protocols for defining and directing responsibilities during the time of emergency.
- B. There are currently multiple active fires in Jackson County resulting in the evacuation of a significant number of county residents, a Red Cross facility being opened at the Jackson County Expo and an emergency declaration for the entire County.
- C. Governor Brown declared a state of emergency in the state of Oregon on August 19, 2020.
- D. Members of Oregon's Congressional delegation and FEMA announced that an emergency disaster declaration for the state of Oregon has been approved due to continued wildfires as of September 10, 2020.
- E. The foregoing circumstances require a coordinated response beyond that which occurs routinely, and the required response cannot be achieved solely with the added resources acquired through mutual aid or cooperative assistance agreements.
- F. The City of Central Point can take steps to help mitigate and avoid some of the most drastic consequences of the fire and evacuations through actions that result in the assistance of sheltering evacuees and providing hygiene resources.
- G. The foregoing circumstances have the potential to affect all of the territory within the City limits.
- H. The foregoing circumstances are anticipated to remain in effect for a significant period of time.

**The City of Central Point resolves as follows:**

**Section 1.** It is declared that a state of emergency now exists in the City of Central Point, encompassing all of the area within the City limits.

**Section 2.** The City Manager is hereby authorized to take such actions and issue such orders as are determined to be necessary to protect the public and property and to efficiently conduct activities that minimize or mitigate the effect of the emergency as described in ORS Chapter 401 and the EOP.

**Section 3.** The City shall take all necessary steps authorized by law to coordinate response and recovery from this emergency, including, but not limited to, requesting assistance and potential reimbursements from the State of Oregon and the appropriate federal and county agencies, and it is declared that the City of Central Point has expended all appropriate and available resources.

**Section 4.** Emergency procurements of goods and services are authorized pursuant to ORS 2798.080, ORS 279C.335(6), ORS 279.380(4), and all other applicable rules.

**Section 5.** The City Manager may enter into mutual aid agreements between the County, the City and other cities within the County or neighboring counties for the support of the activities of the City or these other jurisdictions during this declared state of emergency provided that the City, under such a mutual aid agreement entered into by the City Manager, may not assume control over non-City of Central Point personnel, equipment or resources.

**Section 6.** This declaration is effective on September 17, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. and shall remain in effect until October 1, 2020 unless superseded sooner.

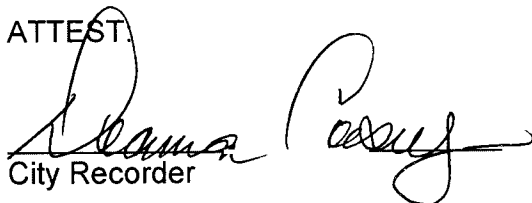
**Section 6.** This declaration of emergency may be extended in two-week increments so long as wildfires continue to pose an on-going, immediate, and substantial threat to life, safety, health, or property in the City of Central Point.

**Section 7.** The City Council grants the City Manager authority to extend the declaration of emergency, to be ratified by Council at subsequent regularly scheduled Council meetings.

Passed by the Council and signed by me in authentication of its passage this 17<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2020.

  
Mayor Hank Williams

ATTEST

  
City Recorder