

CITY OF GOLDEN VALLEY PROCLAMATION DECLARING A LOCAL EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, the Mayor of the City of Golden Valley finds that the following factual situation exists in the City of Golden Valley:

- The cities of Minneapolis and St. Paul, Minnesota, have experienced widespread civil unrest since at least May 26, 2020.
- Said civil unrest has included violent and destructive acts that have placed public safety at risk and resulted in near catastrophic property damage.
- The City of Golden Valley geographically borders Minneapolis.
- Law enforcement personnel and emergency first responders for the City of Golden Valley expect violent and destructive acts of civil unrest to continue and escalate without invocation of the City's emergency powers and certain portions of the City's emergency management plan.

WHEREAS, the Mayor finds that the factual situation is sudden, unforeseen and could not have been reasonably anticipated as it currently exists; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor finds that the factual situation threatens the health, safety and welfare of the residents of and the property within the City of Golden Valley; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor finds that the conditions within the City of Golden Valley have the potential to worsen quickly and without notice due to the factual situation; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor finds that the use of traditional governmental processes are unable to appropriately protect the safety and property of the general public.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Shepard M. Harris, Mayor of the City of Golden Valley, do hereby declare under the authority given by Minnesota Statutes, Section 12.29 that:

1. Due to the above stated findings, a local emergency exists within the City of Golden Valley, effective at 9:12 pm, May 29, 2020.
2. Traditional governmental processes are unable to appropriately protect the safety and property of the general public.
3. A nighttime curfew is required to avoid risks of damage to life and property, to reduce disruption to essential public services, to assure continued local governmental operations, and to protect the general health and safety of the community. Accordingly, the City Attorney shall prepare an emergency ordinance declaring a local curfew pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, section 412.221, subd. 35 to be considered by the City Council at an emergency meeting on May 29, 2020 at 9:00 pm.
4. This emergency declaration shall continue for a period of three (3) days from its effective date of May 29, 2020, unless further extended by or with the consent of the City Council pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 12.29, subd. 1.

5. This declaration shall be given prompt and general publicity and shall be filed promptly by the City Clerk.

Adopted by the Mayor of the City of Golden Valley, Minnesota this 29th day of May, 2020.

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Harris, Shepard

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Shepard M. Harris, Mayor

