

**CITY OF BRAZOS COUNTRY
MAYORAL DECLARATION OF LOCAL STATE OF DISASTER
DUE TO PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY**

WHEREAS, beginning in December 2019, a novel coronavirus, now designated SARS-CoV2 which causes the disease COVID-19, has been declared a global pandemic by the World Health Organization; and

WHEREAS, the symptoms of COVID-19 can range from mild to severe illness and cause further complications including death; and

WHEREAS, COVID-19 virus mainly spreads between people who are in close contact with one another through respiratory droplets produced when an infected person coughs or sneezes; and

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, the Governor of the State of Texas issued a proclamation certifying that COVID-19 poses an imminent threat of disaster in the state and declaring a state of disaster for all counties in Texas; and

WHEREAS, on March 23, 2020, stating that extraordinary measures must be taken to contain COVID-19 and prevent its spread throughout Austin County, the Judge of Austin County issued a proclamation declaring a state of disaster for Austin County, Texas; and

WHEREAS, said state of disaster requires that certain emergency protective measures be taken pursuant to the Texas Disaster Act of 1975 relating to Emergency Management and Public Health, pursuant to Chapter 418 of the Texas Government Code.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF BRAZOS COUNTRY, TEXAS:

SECTION 1. That a local state of disaster for public health emergency is hereby declared for the City of Brazos Country, Texas, pursuant to Section 418.108(a) of the Texas Government Code.

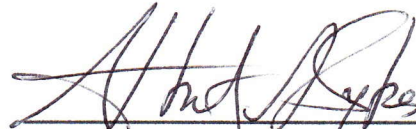
SECTION 2. That pursuant to Section 418.108(b) of the Texas Government Code the state of disaster for public health emergency shall continue for a period of not more than seven (7) days from the date of this declaration, unless continued or renewed by the City Council of the City of Brazos Country, Texas.

SECTION 3. That pursuant to Section 418.108(c) of the Texas Government Code this declaration of a local state of disaster for public health emergency shall be given prompt and general publicity and shall be filed promptly with the City Secretary.

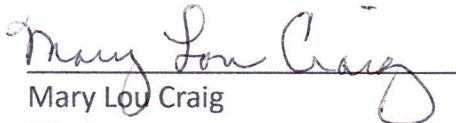
SECTION 4. That pursuant to Section 418.108(d) of the Texas Government Code, this declaration of a local state of disaster activates the City of Brazos Country, Texas, emergency management plan.

SECTION 5. That this declaration shall take effect immediately from and after its issuance.

ORDERED this 26th day of March, 2020 at 1:35 p.m.



Albert A. Sykes, Mayor
City of Brazos Country, Texas



Mary Lou Craig
City Secretary