RESOLUTION 2020-07
OPERATIONS OF GOLDEN VALLEY COUNTY COURTHOUSE
AND COUNTY BUILDINGS

WHEREAS, the Golden Valley County Commissioners are empowered by Section 7-5-2101 MCA, under such limitations and restrictions as are prescribed by law, to manage the business and concerns of Golden Valley County, Montana, in such a manner and to such an extent as the Commission determines to be in the County's best interest, and

WHEREAS, the Governor of the State of Montana has declared a state of emergency in Montana regarding the onset and spread of the COVID-19 Coronavirus, and issued a directive through the Central Montana Health District Health Officer closing all on-premises consumption food and alcoholic beverage services across the State, and

WHEREAS, the Health and Human Services Secretary has declared a public health emergency for the United States. The Golden Valley County Commission has determined that it is of the utmost importance to protect our citizens within the entire County of Golden Valley, Montana from the spread of this disease by following the guidance of the Centers of Disease Control. Closing the Courthouse to the public as a preventative measure has been recommended by the Health Officer of the Central Montana Health District to protect the citizens and to control the spread of this disease, and

WHEREAS, the Golden Valley County Commissioners have declared a Disaster as defined in Section 10-3-103 MCA, by Emergency Declaration 2020-01 passed on March 20, 2020;

BE IT RESOLVED, upon recommendation by the Central Montana Health District Health Officer, the Golden Valley County Commissioners are limiting the Public’s access to the Golden Valley County Courthouse and County buildings, to controlled (locked door) access, effective at 5 pm on Friday, March 20, 2020 until further resolution of the Board. Office numbers will be posted online and in the community.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Commissioners and Elected Officials will continue to conduct necessary business. In the instance where 2/3 of the Board of Commissioners is in a recommended home-quarantine, the Commission may conduct business as long as a quorum is participating by phone. Public participation will be made available and the method will be determined at a future date.

Resolved this 20th day of March, 2020

ATTEST:

Brent Nice, Clerk and Recorder

Kevin Peterson, County Attorney

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

John Lewis, Commission Chair

William R. Lehfeldt, Commission Vice-Chair

Dean Blomquist, Commissioner