

**CITY OF GALENA, ALASKA
ORDINANCE 2021-04**

EMERGENCY ORDINANCE

**AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE REQUIRING COVID-19 TESTING AND ISOLATION
UPON ARRIVAL INTO THE CITY OF GALENA**

WHEREAS; there is a public health emergency in the City of Galena, more fully described in Emergency Ordinances Nos. 2020-01 through 2020-12; and

WHEREAS, with Emergency Ordinance No. 2020-012, the City Council found that there is probable cause to believe limiting community interaction, for a period of time, of persons arriving in the city is necessary to prevent, reduce or limit the spread of disease within the city; and

WHEREAS, with Emergency Ordinance No. 2020-012, the City Council, upon consultation with a qualified medical officer, determined the duration of the shelter-in-place mandate established by GMC 8.12.020 for persons arriving into the City of Galena as set forth in that ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the shelter-in-place requirement established by Emergency Ordinance No. 2020-012 exempted persons arriving from local area communities; and

WHEREAS, recent confirmed COVID-19 cases in the City of Galena and rural communities necessitate that all persons arriving into the City of Galena adhere to shelter-in-place requirements; and

WHEREAS, GMC 8.12.020, adopted by Emergency Ordinance No. 2020-03, provides that “When an infectious disease-related emergency has been declared by the city manager or city council and there is probable cause to believe limiting community interaction, for a period of time, of persons arriving in the city is necessary to prevent, reduce or limit the spread of the disease within the city, all persons arriving into the city, except for critical infrastructure and response workers as determined by the city manager, shall be subject to mandatory post-travel shelter-in-place of a duration to be determined by the city manager in consultation with a qualified medical officer, which shall not, in any event, exceed 20 days in duration”; and

WHEREAS, the City has been advised by a qualified medical officer that a combination of testing and shelter-in-place for 7 days is suitable to inhibit the spread of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, the ability to perform contact tracing is necessary to inhibit the spread of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, AS 29.25.030 provides that a governing body may adopt an emergency ordinance at a meeting where it is first introduced and is effective on adoption, provided that the

ordinance receives the affirmative vote of all members present or the affirmative vote of three-fourths of the total membership of the governing body, whichever is less;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDAINED by the Galena City Council as follows:

SECTION 1. Classification. This an emergency ordinance.

SECTION 2. Findings and Declaration of Infectious Disease Related Emergency. The City Council finds that there is an infectious disease related emergency and probable cause to believe limiting community interaction, for a period of time, of persons arriving in the City of Galena is necessary to prevent, reduce or limit the spread of disease within the city.

SECTION 3. Duration of Shelter-in-Place. Upon consultation of a qualified medical officer, the duration of the shelter-in-place mandate established by GMC 8.12.020 for persons arriving into the City of Galena shall be as set forth in this Section.


- A. For persons arriving into the City of Galena, the duration of mandatory shelter-in-place shall be:
 - a. Seven days if the person:
 - i. Took a sars-cov-2 test taken 72 hours prior to arrival into the City of Galena
 - ii. receives a negative result on the first test required by this subsection; and
 - iii. immediately following the later of administration of the test in the City of Galena or arrival into the City, provides the city manager with notice of the person's date of arrival and the date a first a sars-cov-2 test was administered; and
 - iv. Obtains, at the end of the seven days, a negative result on a second sars-cov-2 test.
- B. Information provided to the city manager under this section shall not be used for any purpose other than enforcement of GMC 8.12 and for contact tracing in the event of a confirmed case of COVID-19.
- C. "Immediately upon arrival in the City of Galena" means to report to Edgar Nollner Health Center or to provide the required information to the city manager before undertaking any other activity in the City of Galena and specifically within the first hour that the person is in the City of Galena during which the Edgar Nollner Health Center or city hall, as applicable, are open for business.

SECTION 4. Enforcement. The City manager shall use reasonable efforts to ensure all persons arriving into the City of Galena, whether by air, water, or land, are given notice of the shelter-in-place requirement. In addition to a minor offense citation and any other remedy provided by GMC Chapter 8.12, the city manager shall issue an individual shelter-in-place order for any person whom the city manager has reasonable cause to believe to be in violation of the shelter-in-place requirement.

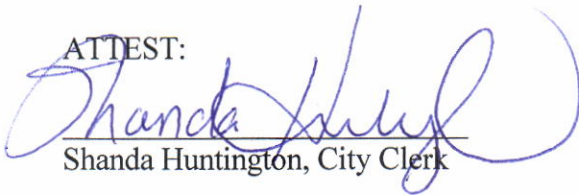
SECTION 5. EO 2020-12 Superseded. This Emergency Ordinance supersedes EO 2020-12.

SECTION 6. Effective Date. This ordinance is effective immediately upon adoption and for a period of 60 days thereafter unless it is earlier adopted or ratified as non-emergency ordinance pursuant to AS 29.25.020.

APPROVED and SIGNED the 18th day of July 2020.



Nolan Aloysius, Mayor

ATTEST:


Shanda Huntington, City Clerk

