

# RESOLUTION RULES: ELECTIONS, INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS

WHEREAS, any official position of the City of Los Angeles with respect to legislation, rules, regulations or policies proposed to or pending before a local, state or federal governmental body or agency must have first been adopted in the form of a Resolution by the City Council with the concurrence of the Mayor; and

WHEREAS, cities remain on the front line helping residents stay safe and in their homes, delivering emergency services and supporting their local businesses and community organizations; and

WHEREAS, COVID-19 is having a devastating impact on city budgets and services statewide. As emergency costs continue to grow, city revenues to fund local services are plummeting; and

WHEREAS, with businesses shut down throughout the state, revenues are coming in well below expected city budgets. City leaders have fewer dollars to pay for essential services that residents rely on, like police, fire, and trash collection; and

WHEREAS, California League of Cities recently conducted a data analysis revealing that California cities face significant revenue shortfalls and are already reducing or eliminating core services as a result of the pandemic; and

WHEREAS, California cities are projecting a nearly **\$7 billion general revenue shortfall over the next two fiscal years**. This shortfall will grow by billions of dollars if stay-at-home orders to protect public health extend into the summer months and beyond; and

WHEREAS, ninety percent of cities project that shortfalls will impact core city services, including police, fire, emergency management, and planning and housing, and anticipate lay-offs or furloughs, which will further impact core services for residents; and

WHEREAS, cities need immediate fiscal assistance from the state and federal government in order to best protect Californians and reopen its economy:

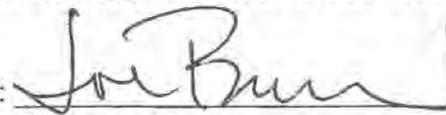
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, with the concurrence of the Mayor, that by the adoption of this Resolution, the City of Los Angeles hereby includes in its 2019-2020 State Legislative Program SUPPORT for any legislation or administrative action which would enact or implement the components of the California League of Cities COVID-19 Fiscal Impacts to California Cities Agenda, including:

- Establish at least a \$7 billion city revenue stabilization fund for direct aid to all cities to address the general revenue shortfall over the next two fiscal years;
- Allocate a share of the State's \$8.4 billion CARES Act funding for cities with populations under 500,000 to support COVID-19 expenses; and
- Create a COVID-19 financing vehicle that all cities can access to support immediate cash flow needs.

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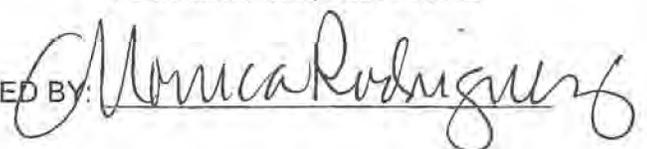


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