

**SALT LAKE COUNTY  
RESOLUTION**

**EXTENSION OF THE STATE OF EMERGENCY  
DECLARED BY THE SALT LAKE COUNTY MAYOR  
ARISING OUT OF THE MARCH 18, 2020 EARTHQUAKE**

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

August 4, 2020

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF SALT LAKE COUNTY,  
BE IT KNOWN AND REMEMBERED:

THAT, the County Council of Salt Lake County, State of Utah, met in regular session of the Council on the 4th day of August, 2020.

WITNESS:

WHEREAS, a magnitude 5.7 earthquake occurred in Salt Lake County near the Metro Township of Magna (“Magna earthquake”) on the morning of March 18, 2020; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Utah Code Annotated, Sections 53-2a-205 and -208, the Mayor of Salt Lake County has the power to declare a state of emergency for Salt Lake County; and

WHEREAS, Section 2.86.030, Salt Lake County Code of Ordinances, 2001, authorizes the Mayor to declare that a state of emergency exists in Salt Lake County and to invoke certain powers in aid of responding to and mitigating such emergency; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor issued a Proclamation Declaring a State of Emergency and Invoking Emergency Powers in Salt Lake County on March 18, 2020 based upon the damage caused by the Magna earthquake; and

WHEREAS, Salt Lake County experienced aftershocks from the Magna earthquake; and

WHEREAS, the Magna earthquake and its aftershocks have caused damage to numerous buildings in Salt Lake County; and

WHEREAS, Salt Lake County continues to investigate and review the damage caused by the Magna earthquake and its aftershocks; and

WHEREAS, State law and County ordinance permit the Mayor's declaration of an emergency to be effective for a period not to exceed 30 days, unless the emergency declaration is continued or renewed with the consent of the County Council; and

WHEREAS, the County Council continued the Mayor's declaration of an emergency on April 14, 2020 until Midnight on Monday, July 6, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the County Council continued the Mayor's declaration of an emergency on June 23, 2020 until Midnight on Tuesday, August 7, 2020.

RESOLUTION:

NOW, THEREFORE, THE FOLLOWING IS RESOLVED:

1. The County Council of Salt Lake County hereby finds that continuing the State of Emergency for Salt Lake County due to the Magna earthquake and its aftershocks is appropriate.
2. The Council acknowledges and supports invoking the emergency powers and operations of the County by the Mayor.
3. The Council supports the County's utilization of its personnel and resources, as ordered and authorized by the Mayor, to perform all functions specified in County Ordinance 2.86.050 and in other applicable provisions of law.

4. The Council supports and approves all orders and regulations issued thus far issued by the Mayor regarding the state of emergency, copies of which have been duly filed with the Salt Lake County Clerk and previously disseminated to the Council.
5. This Resolution shall take effect immediately and be declared to be ongoing and continuing until Midnight on Tuesday, October 31, 2020, unless the facts supporting the emergency no longer exist as determined by the Mayor.
6. This Resolution shall be provided to the State of Utah and the Mayor and shall be filed immediately with the Salt Lake County Clerk and published by general dissemination as appropriate.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED in Salt Lake City, Salt Lake County, Utah this 4th day of August, 2020.

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
MAX BURDICK, Council Chair

ATTEST:

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Sherrie Swensen  
Salt Lake County Clerk

Council Member Bradley voting	_____
Council Member Bradshaw voting	_____
Council Member Burdick voting	_____
Council Member DeBry voting	_____
Council Member Ghorbani	_____
Council Member Granato voting	_____
Council Member Jensen voting	_____
Council Member Snelgrove voting	_____
Council Member Winder-Newton voting	_____

Approved as to form and legality:

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Ralph Chamness  
Chief Deputy  
Salt Lake County District Attorney's Office