

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF LANE COUNTY, OREGON

ORDER 20-03-31-09

IN THE MATTER OF AUTHORIZING UP
TO \$5,000,000 IN EMERGENCY
FUNDING TO RESPOND TO THE
EFFECTS OF COVID-19 , AND
AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY
ADMINISTRATOR TO CONTRACT FOR
GOODS AND SERVICES FOR
EXPENDITURE OF THE FUNDS

WHEREAS, COVID-19 poses a health risk to Lane County residents, visitors and first responders which could extend for several months; and

WHEREAS, COVID-19 response requires the immediate and significant expenditures of resources at the local level for response in order the keep the public informed and safe. Resources related to contact tracing, disease investigation, community information and public safety are expected to be exhausted; and

WHEREAS, ORS 401.305 provides authority for Lane County to act as an emergency management agency and includes authority to establish policies and protocols for defining and directing responsibilities during time of emergency; and

WHEREAS, Lane County has declared a state of emergency throughout all of Lane County; and

WHEREAS, Lane County Code Chapter 20 and ORS 401.309 further authorize certain actions be taken during a state of emergency when necessary for public safety or for the efficient conduct of activities to minimize or mitigate the effects of the emergency; and

WHEREAS, ORS 279B.080 authorizes the head of a contracting agency to make or authorize others to make emergency procurements of goods or services during an emergency;

NOW, THEREFORE the Board of County Commissioners of Lane County ORDERS as follows:

1. The County Administrator is authorized to spend up to a total of \$5,000,000 in responding to the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic. Further, the County Administrator is delegated authority to exercise his discretion regarding the allocation of specific resources.
2. The County Administrator is delegated authority to take such actions as are necessary for the prompt and efficient expenditure of these funds for purposes related to the COVID-19 epidemic in compliance with Oregon emergency contracting law, including source selection and execution of contracts.

3. The authority granted the County Administrator under this Order supercedes the limitations on such authority under the Lane Manual.

ADOPTED this 31st day of March, 2020



Heather Buch, Chair
Lane County Board of Commissioners