



**EMERGENCY ORDER NO. 2020-01**

**ORDER SUSPENDING ALL NON-MONETARY PROVISIONS OF THE POLICE AND FIRE  
COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENTS**

**WHEREAS**, the Novel Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) epidemic may cause life threatening conditions for the residents of the City of North Port; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 9, 2020, Florida Governor Ron DeSantis issued Executive Order Number 20-52, declaring that a state of emergency exists in every county in the State of Florida; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 17, 2020, the City Commission of the City of North Port, Florida adopted Ordinance No. 2020-18, declaring a state of local emergency due to the COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS**, Ordinance No. 2020-18 conferred on the City Manager or designee the power and authority set forth in Florida Statutes Section 252.38(3)(a); and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Florida Statutes Section 252.46, the City Manager has the power to issue emergency orders with the force of the law; and

**WHEREAS**, this order is necessary for emergency management purposes and to ensure the health, safety, and welfare of the community; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Manager finds that civil emergency conditions exist.

**THEREFORE, IN HIS EMERGENCY AUTHORITY, THE CITY MANAGER OF THE CITY OF NORTH PORT, FLORIDA ORDERS:**

1. Pursuant to Article 2, Section 4 of the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the City of North Port and Southwest Florida Police Benevolent Association, Inc. (effective October 1, 2017 through September 30, 2020), all provisions of the agreement are hereby suspended, excluding provisions related to wage rates, overtime, and other monetary benefits.
2. Pursuant to Article 2, Section 3 of the Collective Bargaining Agreement Between the City of North Port and Suncoast Professional Firefighters and Paramedics, Local No. 2546, I.A.F.F. (effective October 1, 2017 through September 30, 2020), all provisions of the agreement are hereby suspended, excluding monetary provisions.

**This order is effective as of 12:01 a.m. on Sunday, March 22, 2020. Unless otherwise terminated, this order expires simultaneously with the expiration of the state of local emergency.**

ORDERED ON AND FILED WITH THE CLERK OF THE CITY OF NORTH PORT, FLORIDA ON MARCH 21, 2020  
AT 2:40 A.M./P.M. BY                     



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Peter D. Lear, CPA, CGMA  
City Manager