

customary for the Commonwealth of Virginia and the federal government to require that a Declaration of Local Emergency be issued prior to either of these levels of government reimbursing a local government for emergency related expenses. At this point it is not known what aid may become available to localities, but having a Declaration put in place is in the City's interest for financial as well as emergency management reasons. It is customary for City Council to approve such declarations, however declarations are usually for weather and not public health related reasons.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Proposed Declaration of Local Emergency, City of Alexandria
2. Governor Northam's Executive Order (March 12, 2020)

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