

DES MOINES MUNICIPAL COURT
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

IN THE MATTER OF

Emergency Response to a
Threat to Public Health

) ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER
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) NO. 20-02
)

WHEREAS, the City of Des Moines has declared a state of emergency on March 5, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Justice of the State Supreme Court has issued an emergency order in response to the public health emergency that affects operations of trial courts in Washington State on March 4, 2020; and,

WHEREAS, the Washington State Supreme Court has adopted Order No. 25700-B-602, granting emergency authority to this court to adopt, modify, and suspend court rules and orders, and to take further actions concerning court operations, as warranted to address the current state of emergency;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

1. Effective immediately, the Court is continuing all criminal case matters to June 1, 2020, or later.
2. For those matters in pre-trial status, the time period between now and the rescheduled court date is excluded from speedy trial calculation pursuant to CrRLJ 3.3(e)(8).
3. The Court reserves the right to maintain or schedule arraignments, pretrial hearings, or review/revocation hearings between today's date and June 1, 2020, in cases involving threats to public safety, including but not limited to domestic violence offenses and driving while under the influence / physical control.
4. This Order may be amended or withdrawn as warranted to address the on-going public health emergency.

DATED this 10th day of March, 2020.



Presiding Judge