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DEPUTY CLERK

1 IN THE JUSTICE COURT OF SPARKS TOWNSHIP
2 COUNTY OF WASHOE, STATE OF NEVADA
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4 IN THE ADMINISTRATIVE MATTER
5 CONCERNING THE REVIEW AND
6 CONSOLIDATION OF PRIOR
7 ADMINISTRATIVE ORDERS, AND THE
8 EXTENSION OF THE MORATORIUM ON
9 EVICTIONS FOR NON-PAYMENT OF RENT

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 2020-8

10 WHEREAS, the Sparks Justice Court has issued seven prior Administrative Orders in
11 response to the COVID-19 pandemic, and conditions have changed requiring the Amendment,
12 Consolidation, and/or Recession of the prior Administrative Orders;

13 WHEREAS, the final parts of the Moratorium on Evictions were due to expire, but the
14 Governor, in Emergency Directive 031, has extended the Moratorium on Evictions for Non-
15 Payment of Rent until October 15, 2020, to allow social service agencies to prepare for a
16 potentially exponential increase in such evictions as well as to allow the Nevada Supreme
17 Court sufficient time to implement the eviction mediation program established in Senate Bill 1
18 of the 32nd Special Session of the Nevada Legislature;

19 WHEREAS, the United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has
20 issued a temporary halt to certain residential evictions to prevent the further spread of COVID-
21 19; but that the CDC Moratorium only applies to evictions for non-payment of rent and expires
22 December 31, 2020; and

23 WHEREAS, on October 6, 2020, the Nevada Supreme Court entered an Order in
24 ADKT 0567 Adopting the Temporary Residential Summary Eviction Mediation Rules effective
25 October 15, 2020, for evictions for non-payment of rent pursuant to NRS 40.253.

1 AND GOOD CAUSE BEING SHOWN,

2 IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that:

3 Amended Administrative Order 2020-1, which implemented the first stay of
4 proceedings in March 2020, having been superseded by Administrative Order 2020-5, was
5 previously rescinded.

6 Administrative Order 2020-2 was previously superseded and rescinded by Amended
7 Administrative Order 2020-2.

8 Amended Administrative Order 2020-2, closing the Sparks Justice Court to the general
9 public, otherwise continuing court operations, and allowing for in-court proceedings on a case-
10 by-case basis remains in effect.

11 Administrative Order 2020-3, staying certain eviction proceedings, was superseded by
12 Administrative Order 2020-7.

13 Administrative Order 2020-4, adopting the bail review procedures required by the
14 Nevada Supreme Court's decision in Valdez-Jimenez v. Eighth Judicial District Court, 136
15 Nev. Adv. Op. 20 (2020), remains in effect.

16 Administrative Order 2020-5, setting forth interim procedures while the courthouse is
17 closed to the public, remains in effect.

18 Administrative Order 2020-6, setting forth temporary procedures in civil cases, remains
19 in effect. The Court would note that the 14-day Notice of Intent to Enter Default only applies
20 to cases that were previously stayed, filed, and served prior to June 5, 2020.

21 Administrative Order 2020-7, regarding temporary procedures in civil cases for
22 collections and evictions, having become moot due to the expiration of the stay on the
23 collection and enforcement of debts as well as the expiration of the moratorium on nearly all
24 evictions, is hereby rescinded.

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1 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that:

- 2 1. Any stay concerning the enforcement or collection of debt was lifted as of July 7, 2020.
- 3 2. The Stay of Evictions required by Emergency Directive 025 lapsed as of September 1,
- 4 2020. The Sparks Justice Court will consider any eviction filed on or after the Dates
- 5 Actions Allowed in the Reference Chart attached to Directive 025 **with the exception**
- 6 **of evictions for non-payment of rent pursuant to NRS 40.253.**
- 7 3. Qualifying evictions for non-payment of rent are hereby stayed until December 31,
- 8 2020, pursuant to the CDC Order unless otherwise mediated pursuant to the Temporary
- 9 Residential Summary Eviction Mediation Rules adopted by the Nevada Supreme Court
- 10 in ADKT 0567 on October 6, 2020.

11 This Administrative Order 2020-8 will remain in force and effect until amended or

12 rescinded by the Sparks Justice Court.

13 IT IS SO ORDERED.

14 Dated this 21st day of October 2020.

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17 Chief Judge Kevin Higgins

18 Justice of the Peace

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