

EMERGENCY ORDER 2020-12

SAFER AT HOME ORDER

On March 13, 2020 a State of Emergency was declared in the City of Coral Springs relating to the Novel Coronavirus Disease 2019 (“COVID-19”).

Since the outbreak of COVID-19 numerous local governments and multiple states have adopted various versions of “stay at home” and “safer at home” orders. These orders are designed to protect the health and well-being of the community, to create social distancing, and to minimize contact in an effort to limit community spread of COVID-19.

As of today the City is aware of confirmed cases of COVID-19 in the jurisdictional boundaries of the City of Coral Springs. To limit the potential community spread of COVID-19 it is now necessary for the City of Coral Springs to implement restrictions for the general health, safety, and welfare of the community.

Pursuant to Section 252.46, *Florida Statutes* and Chapter 19 of the Code of the City of Coral Springs, the City has the power to issue emergency orders with the force of law. The City Manager has expressly been authorized to issue Emergency Orders.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

Section 1. Each resident of the City of Coral Springs is hereby ordered to stay home and within the entirety of their owned or rented property. The order to stay at home does not require residents to confine themselves to the interior of their homes. Residents may make use of all exterior portions of their homes such as patios, porches, yards, and driveways. Residents may also leave their place of residence and travel to another place in accordance with Section 3, below.

Section 2. Unless a person has a Permissible Use as provided for in Section 3, below, no person shall travel or be on or upon any public right of way, including but not limited to, streets, canals, or sidewalks, within the boundaries of the City of Coral Springs.

Section 3. Permissible Use

Notwithstanding Section 1 and 2, all residents and visitors in the City may lawfully engage in the following activities:

- (1) **Essential Businesses.** Residents and visitors may engage in travel to Essential Businesses and provide Minimum Basic Operations to non-essential businesses as identified in Emergency Order 2020-11 as may be amended or extended;
- (2) **Emergency Assistance.** Residents and visitors may engage in travel and similar activities to obtain assistance from law enforcement, fire-rescue, or other emergency services.
- (3) **Personal Support Activities.** Residents and visitors may travel to and from their homes to care for or support a family member.
- (4) **Work in Support of Essential Businesses.** Residents and visitors in the City may continue to perform work for and in support of businesses authorized to be open to

the public in accordance with Emergency Order 2020-11, any local government, the State government, or the Federal government.

- (5) **Outdoor Recreational Activities.** In areas not otherwise closed by a separate Emergency or Executive Order, residents may engage in outdoor activity and recreation with immediate family members that live in the same household, caretakers, or household members while staying six (6) feet apart from another person or group of people.
- (6) **Religious Activities.** Residents and visitors may travel to and from places of worship.
- (7) **Government Employees and Emergency Personnel.** All first responders, gang and crisis intervention workers, public health workers, emergency management personnel, emergency dispatchers, law enforcement personnel and related contractors, persons working for emergency service providers, and government employees performing work in the course and scope of their employment are categorically exempt from this Order.

Section 4. Social Distancing Required. A person in a public space shall:

- (1) Practice social distancing by staying six (6) feet away whenever practicable from another person, excluding immediate family members, caretakers or, household members;
- (2) Cover all coughs and sneezes with their elbow or tissue;
- (3) Not shake hands;
- (4) Not enter any public place if the person exhibits any flu or COVID-19 like symptoms and/or has a fever over 99.9 degrees Fahrenheit unless that person is traveling to or from a hospital, doctor's office, urgent care, walk-in clinic, or pharmacy;
- (5) If a person is exhibiting flu or COVID-19 like symptoms or has a fever over 99.9 degrees Fahrenheit and is seeking medical treatment, the person shall first contact their medical provider by phone before appearing at the medical provider's office; and
- (6) If a person is exhibiting flu or COVID-19 like symptoms or has a fever over 99.9 degrees Fahrenheit and requires a prescription or a refill thereof and the pharmacy has a delivery service, that person shall utilize the delivery service to receive their medication.

Section 5. All public and private gatherings of any number of people occurring outside a residence are prohibited except for gatherings between family members, caretakers, or household members provided such gathering does not exceed ten (10) people or as may be provided for in Emergency Order 2020-11.

Section 6. Nothing in this Order shall be construed to limit or restrict movement or use of the public rights of way for use by other local governments, the state government, and federal government or their employees while engaged in their official duties.

Section 7. This Order is in addition to, and supplements, the City's Emergency Orders. All requirements of City Emergency Orders, County Emergency Orders, and State of Florida Executive Orders shall be strictly adhered to at all times.

Section 8. This Emergency Order is effective as of midnight on March 27, 2020 and shall remain in full force and effect until terminated.

ORDERED ON AND FILED WITH THE CLERK OF THE CITY OF CORAL SPRINGS ON MARCH 26, 2020.

Ordered by:



City Manager Frank Babinec

Ratified by the City Commission on _____