EMERGENCY ORDER 2020-13 (AMENDED)

USE OF CLOTH MASKS BY RESIDENTS AND VISITORS

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").

COVID-19 is a global pandemic that spreads rapidly from person to person and may result in serious illness or death. COVID-19 is believed to spread by respiratory droplets that come from the mouth and nose. It is believed that people who are asymptomatic can still spread COVID-19 by breathing, talking, laughing, coughing, and sneezing. Recently the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention ("CDC") issued guidance that the general population should wear cloth face coverings to capture the respiratory droplets of asymptomatic people to slow the spread of COVID-19.

On April 10, 2020, Broward County issued Emergency Order 20-7 to require facial coverings when seeking essential services. That Order provides that municipalities may be more restrictive. 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. Every person working, living, visiting, or doing business in the City of Coral Springs shall wear a cloth facial covering consistent with the current CDC guidelines while:

1. in any area of any business that is open to the public;
2. in any area of any business that is shared by employees; and
3. in any and all public places.

Section 2. Notwithstanding Section 1, a cloth facial covering is not required for:

1. A person engaged outdoor recreational activities in accordance with Emergency Order 2020-12;
2. A child that is under the age of two (2); or
3. A person that has a medical condition that causes a difficulty breathing.

Section 3. All people should avoid the utilization of surgical masks or N95 rated masks as those are critical supplies for health care workers, police, fire, emergency management, or other persons engaged in life and safety activities.
Section 4. This Amended Emergency Order is effective at 11:59 PM on April 10, 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 APRIL ___, 2020.

Ordered by: ___________________________
City Manager Frank Babinec

Ratified by the City Commission on May 6, 2020