

RESOLUTION NO. 20-1159

WHEREAS, the World Health Organization has declared the Corona Virus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) a world health emergency and a pandemic;

WHEREAS, as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, the President of the United States declared a National Public Health Emergency on Friday March 13, 2020;

WHEREAS, as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, the Governor of the State of Georgia declared a State Emergency in Georgia on March 14, 2020;

WHEREAS, on March 17, 2020, Henry County Declared a State of Local Emergency (See, Resolution #20-50)(the "Henry County Declaration");

WHEREAS, the Henry County Declaration serves to activate the Henry County Emergency Operations Plan (the "HCOP");

WHEREAS, on March 21, 2020, Mayor Anthony S. Ford declared a State of Emergency for the City of Stockbridge;

WHEREAS, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention have recommended that any gathering of over 10 people be discontinued or prohibited; and

WHEREAS, O.C.G.A. 38-3-28, grants to local governments, including the City of Stockbridge, the power, during a state of emergency to "*to make, amend, and rescind such orders, rules, and regulations as may be necessary for emergency management purposes...*"

WHEREAS, after due consideration, the City of Stockbridge does hereby find and declare that, in order to protect the health, safety and welfare of the City and its citizens, and in order to manage the pending emergency created by the COVID-19 the measures described below must be implemented:

THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF STOCKBRIDGE HEREBY RESOLVES:

1. **Symptomatic Persons.** Any person showing symptoms recognized by the CDC as indicators of COVID-19 shall refrain from entering public buildings, restaurants, shops, public transportation facilities and all other areas where the public ingresses or egresses. Such person should seek medical attention and follow the directions of their Primary Care Physician until given the clearance to return to public interaction.
2. **Business Closures.** Except as provided for herein and with the exception of those businesses listed on Exhibit A, all businesses and business-type operations are hereby ordered closed.

3. **Eating Establishments/Bars.**

- a. All eating establishments, bar and nightclubs within the City shall be immediately closed to in-person dining, consumption of alcohol, or entertainment until the expiration of this resolution and shall cease all indoor service and shall, instead, provide only delivery, take-out or drive through services. Such establishments are granted time limited authority to sell packaged beer and wine with food sales while this Resolution is in effect without any further licensing required by the City.
- b. Eating establishment regulations prohibited this Resolution shall not include cafeterias located within medical, industrial, government or other such production facilities that are performing essential functions that are necessary to promote health, welfare and vital resources. These facilities are strongly encouraged to stagger meal times, limit use as much as feasible to achieve social distancing, and to thoroughly follow CDC protocols of cleaning.

4. **Houses of Worship.** All houses of worship shall strive for density reduction in all services, whether scheduled or based upon a life event such as a funeral or baptism, and wherever practical shall practice social distancing. Houses of worship are further encouraged to use social media or other video outlets to broadcast worship services. Funeral homes shall likewise strive for density reduction in all activities and shall ensure vehicles used to transport families shall be thoroughly cleaned between uses in accordance with CDC guidelines. Graveside services of 10 or less participants are highly encouraged.
5. **Physical Distancing.** Physical distancing is the most effective manner of stopping the spread of this emergency. To the extent feasible, it is in the best interest of citizens of Stockbridge to not gather in crowds of 10 or more in any location. It is further highly encouraged that all citizens of Stockbridge limit travel as much as possible.
6. **Georgia Executive Orders.** All orders of the Governor of the State of Georgia in response to the COVID-19 pandemic event are hereby imposed within the City limits of Stockbridge all staff are directed to carry out such orders.
7. **Duration.** This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon approval by the Mayor and Council and shall expire by its own terms at 11:59 pm on April 7, 2020, unless extended by further action of the Mayor and Council.

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SO RESOLVED this 24th day of March, 2020.



ANTHONY S. FORD, Mayor

ATTEST:

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RANDI RAINEY, Deputy City Clerk



APPROVED AS TO FORM:

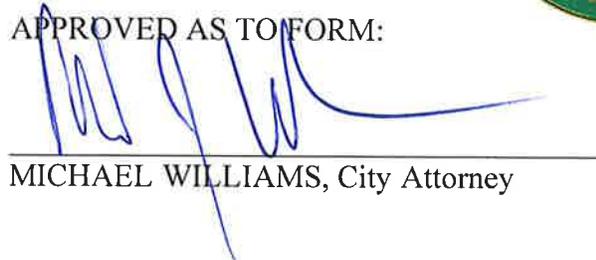

MICHAEL WILLIAMS, City Attorney

EXHIBIT A

Exempt Businesses and Operations:

Healthcare and Public Health Operations: Working at or obtaining services from hospitals; clinics; dental offices; pharmacies; public health entities; healthcare manufacturers and suppliers; blood banks; home healthcare services providers; mental health and substance use providers; ancillary healthcare services — including veterinary care and excluding fitness and exercise gyms, spas, salons, barber shops, tattoo parlors, and similar facilities.

Human Services Operations: any provider funded by DHS, DCFS or Medicaid; long-term care facilities; home-based and residential settings for adults, seniors, children, and/or people with disabilities or mental illness; transitional facilities; field offices for food, cash assistance, medical coverage, child care, vocational services or rehabilitation services; developmental centers; adoption agencies; businesses that provide food, shelter, and social services and other necessities of life for needy individuals.

Essential Infrastructure: Working in governmental operations as directed by any governing authority, food production, distribution and sale; construction; building management and maintenance; airport operations; operation and maintenance of utilities, including water, sewer, and gas; electrical; distribution centers; oil and biofuel refining; roads, highways, railroads, and public transportation; ports; cybersecurity operations; flood control; solid waste and recycling collection and removal; and internet, video, and telecommunications systems and also including:

- Stores that sell groceries and medicine
- Food, beverage and agriculture
- Organizations that provide charitable and social services
- Media
- Gas stations and businesses needed for transportation
- Banks and Credit Unions
- Critical trades, including plumbers, electricians, exterminators, cleaning and janitorial staff for commercial and governmental properties, security staff, operating engineers, HVAC, and other service providers that maintain the safety, sanitation and essential operation of residences. information technology equipment manufacturers and suppliers, hardware stores and firearm and ammunition suppliers and retailers for purposes of safety and security
- Mail, post, shipping, logistics, delivery and pick-up services
- Educational institutions, for purposes of facilitating distance learning, performing critical research, or performing essential functions
- Laundry services
- Restaurants for consumption off-premises, restaurants are granted limited authority to sell packaged beer and wine with restaurant food sales
- Supplies to work from home
- Supplies for Essential Businesses and Operations
- Transportation, for purposes of Essential Travel
- Home-based care and services

- Residential facilities and shelters
- Professional services
- Day care centers for employees exempted by this order
- Manufacture, distribution, and supply chain for critical products and industries
- Hotels and motels, to the extent used for lodging and delivery or carry-out food services
- Funeral services

All non-essential business and operations must cease, aside from Minimum Basic Operations. Business can continue with employees working from home. Minimum Basic Operations includes the minimum necessary activities to maintain the value of inventory, preserve plant and equipment condition, ensure security, process payroll and employee benefits and facilitate employees working remotely.