

## **DECLARATION OF STATE OF EMERGENCY AND EXECUTIVE ORDERS RELATING THERETO**

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In concert with similar declarations by the President, Governor and County Executive, I am hereby proclaiming a State of Emergency and implementing the emergency operations plan for the City of Ferguson (the "City").

In issuing this Order, I take note of the recommendations of the Center for Disease Control (CDC), State of Missouri Health Department and St Louis County Health Department. I have also consulted available members of the City Council, with our City staff including the City Attorney and all department heads and issue this order in the absence of a quorum of the City Council which will be effective immediately and remain in place until rescinded by my office or revoked or modified by the City Council.

Pursuant to §44.080 RSMo and Chapter 10 of the Municipal Code of the City it is hereby ordered:

1. The City Manager is hereby authorized to appoint the Fire Chief as the Director of Civil Defense.
2. The Ferguson Community Center ("Center") operations will follow Saint Louis County mandates.
3. All recreation programs being offered by the City, whether at the Center or elsewhere will follow Saint Louis County mandates.
4. All facilities rentals at the Center will follow Saint Louis County mandates.
5. All meetings of citizen boards and commissions as well as Neighborhood Association meetings will be held virtually unless there is a significant and compelling reason to meet in person.
6. Municipal Court will continue to meet virtually and follow directives of the Circuit Court.
7. Community events will follow Saint Louis County mandates.

8. Residents and customers are encouraged to interact with city hall whenever possible by electronic means, for example email or the city's website, and most application forms for filing city permits in public works and for licenses and permits in the Office of the City Clerk or Collector of Revenue are available on-line.
9. A moratorium on the issuance of "certain" door-to-door permits, but expressly allow those for Candidates to get the names needed for their nominating petition as long as social distancing is followed and masks are worn consistent with St. Louis County's order.
10. Members of the public who are patrons of any business establishments are required to wear a mask at all times while conducting business at these facilities, except when seated at a dining establishment.
11. All businesses operating within the city limits must follow the steps below:
  - a. Businesses must provide and require staff to wear a face covering such as a mask when working with the public, or at their place of business.
  - b. Businesses operating and open to the public during this emergency will be required to post notice(s) at their entrance(s) requiring patrons to wear masks or face coverings while in their respective establishments.
  - c. Businesses operating and open to the public during this emergency are required to follow all Saint Louis County mandates with regards to operating during this pandemic especially with respect to limits on establishment capacity and social distancing.
12. The City Manager is granted emergency authority under the Municipal Code to respond to needs in real time as issues are presented including but not limited to emergency purchasing; assignment or re-assignment of personnel both within and between departments; approval of alternate schedules and work from home where appropriate and closing portions of public buildings as needed to protect the general public and staff from exposure to the Covid-19 virus.

SO ORDERD and filed this 30th Day of November, 2020.

CITY OF FERGUSON, MISSOURI

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Ella Jones, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Octavia Pittman, City Clerk