



CITY OF LAGUNA HILLS

City Manager

OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER/DIRECTOR OF EMERGENCY SERVICES

Executive Orders

Pursuant to Proclamation No. 20-03-18-01
Declaring the Existence of a Local Emergency

RE: NOVEL CORONAVIRUS, COVID-19

Issue Date: March 19, 2020

On March 18, 2020, in my capacity as the Director of Emergency Services (LHMC 2-32.060), I issued Proclamation 20-03-18-01 Declaring the Existence of a Local Emergency in response to severe public health concerns and economic impacts relating to the COVID-19 pandemic. The novel coronavirus, COVID-19, causes infectious disease and was first detected in Wuhan, Hubei Province, China in December 2019. Symptoms of COVID-19 include fever, cough, and shortness of breath; outcomes have ranged from mild to severe illness, and, in some cases, death. The Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has indicated the virus is a significant public health threat, and States of Emergency have been declared by the County of Orange, the State of California and the federal government of the United States. On March 19, 2020, California Governor Gavin Newsom issued Executive Order N-33-20, which bans gatherings, public and private, and orders residents to stay at home at their place of residence except as needed to maintain continuity of operations of the federal critical infrastructure sectors, as defined, in order to mitigate the impact of COVID-19. Executive Order N-33-20 is enforceable pursuant to California law per Government Code Section 8665.

In order to comply with all applicable Public Health and Executive Orders and to protect public health in the City of Laguna Hills, the following Executive Orders are in effect until further notice:

1. Within the boundaries of the City of Laguna Hills, all County and State COVID-19 Public Health Orders are hereby deemed mandatory; all residents are directed to heed the current County and State public health directives in order to mitigate the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic.
2. City Hall is closed to the public. Services and hours have been modified as posted.

3. The Community Center is closed to the public. All recreational programs and activities at the Community Center, including facility reservations/rentals, are canceled or suspended until further notice. Refunds and credits will be automatically processed. The Laguna Hills Technology Library, located within the Community Center, is also closed to the public.
4. All playground equipment at all City and privately-owned parks are closed.
5. All employees of the City are placed on paid administrative leave/work from home status with the following exceptions: all management staff, Robert Oros, Sal Quinones, Ryan Hanley, and Cindy Sands. Furthermore, all such employees are directed to stay at home pursuant to the Governor's Executive Order, unless otherwise directed by their Department Head, and to be available by phone during their normal working hours. In addition, they are strongly encouraged to abide by the Governor's Executive Order at all times beyond their normal working hours.
6. Cabot Park and the Sports Complex restrooms are closed to the public.
7. The City-owned skate park is closed to the public.

Additional Executive Orders may be issued at any time relating to this public health emergency. Additional Executive Orders are cumulative, and do not negate or reverse these Executive Orders contained herein unless explicitly stated.



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