

EMERGENCY ORDER 2020-05
IN AND FOR THE CITY OF WASHOUGAL, WASHINGTON
EXTENDING AND MODIFYING EMERGENCY ORDERS 2020-02
THOUGH 2020-04

WHEREAS, Washougal Municipal Code, Section 2.48.070 provides that whenever an emergency, or the imminent threat thereof, occurs in the city and results in, or threatens to result in, the death or injury of persons or the destruction of or damage to property to such extent as to require, in the judgment of the executive head, extraordinary and immediate measures, an emergency may be declared to protect the public health, safety, and welfare; and

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, the City Manager issued Declaration of Emergency 2020-01 invoking emergency powers and Emergency Order 2020-02 requiring social distancing protocols, recognizing the extreme public health crisis imposed by COVID-19 on the citizens of Washougal, and

WHEREAS, on March 16, 2020, the City Manager issued Emergency Order 2020-03 requiring further social distancing protocols, and

WHEREAS, at its March 23, 2020 regular meeting, the City Council ratified and adopted the Emergency Declaration 2020-01 and Emergency Orders 2020-02 and 2020-03, and

WHEREAS, on April 13, 2020, the City Council adopted Emergency Order 2020-04, extending prior emergency orders and emergency leave, ordering defenses for eviction of small businesses and from residential foreclosure of private mortgages, and requiring sanitation protocols for residential property inspections, and

WHEREAS, the duration of Emergency Order 20-04 is tied to the expiration of Governor Jay Inslee's "Stay Home – Stay Healthy" order (Proclamation 20-25), and

WHEREAS, on May 4, 2020, Governor Inslee adopted a four-phase "Safe Start" plan, allowing progressive re-opening for individuals and businesses, and

WHEREAS, Governor Jay Inslee's "Stay Home – Stay Healthy" order (Proclamation 20-25), expires May 31, 2020, and

WHEREAS, on May 29, 2020, Governor Inslee announced that the four-phase "Safe Start" plan is modified and will replace the "Stay Home -Stay Healthy" order effective June 1, 2020, and that he would be issuing a new proclamation to implement this, and

WHEREAS, a new emergency order is necessary to reflect these actions of the Governor and to extend the provisions of Emergency Orders 20-02, 20-03 and 20-04 and modify the same pursuant to the "Safe Start" plan until the City Council can meet at its regular meeting on June 8, 2020 to consider such new emergency order for its ratification, modification or termination.

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Manager of the City of Washougal, Washington hereby Declares and Orders as follows:

Section 1. Extension of Emergency Orders.

The foregoing recitals and prior emergency declaration and order recitals are hereby incorporated by this reference. Accordingly, Emergency Orders 2020-02 through 2020-04 are hereby extended until Phase 4 of Governor Inslee's "Safe Start" period or such shorter or longer period as the Council may decide. All powers and authority set forth in those Emergency Orders are incorporated herein by this reference and extended except as amended below.

Section 2. Gatherings.

Gatherings shall be permitted consistent with the "Safe Start" limitations and city permitting requirements.

Section 3. City Building Facilities.

City building facilities will remain closed to the public until Phase 3, consistent with the "Safe Start" plan. Building facilities will re-open in a phased manner incorporating customer service and employee protocols consistent with public health guidelines.

Section 4. City Programs

All programming at City facilities run by the City or other organizations are suspended or limited as follows:

Monday through Thursday Meals on Wheels People and Refuel Washougal Friday Meals: – box lunches to go only until Phase 4, and when in-person dining is re-started that all health and sanitation protocols and requirements are met;

Washougal Senior Association and Area Agency on Aging & Disabilities of SW
Exercise Classes: All Community Center activities are suspended until Phase 4, and when re-started that all health and sanitation protocols and requirements are met;

Other activities: suspended until the appropriate Phase and when re-started shall meet all health and sanitation protocols and requirements.

Section 5. Non-essential meetings.

Suspended until the appropriate Phase (3 or 4) and when re-started shall meet all health and sanitation protocols and requirements.

Section 6. City Council Meetings

Will be held virtually until the appropriate Phase (3 or 4) and consistent with any proclamation issued by the governor, and when in-person meetings are re-started they shall meet all health and sanitation protocols and requirements.

Section 7. Emergency Leave

Provide until Phase 4, unless such leave should be terminated by the Council prior to Phase 4, with reasonable notice to the bargaining units and non-represented and exempt employees.

Section 8. Private mortgages and commercial evictions and residential inspections

Restrictions on private mortgage foreclosures, commercial evictions and residential inspections shall stay in place until Phase 3, unless sooner terminated by Council.

Section 9. Duration.

Unless earlier modified or terminated by action of the City Council, this Emergency Order shall be terminated when Clark County enters Phase 4 of the “Safe Start” plan.

IT IS SO ORDERED, this 31st day of May, 2020.

IT IS SO ORDERED:



David Scott, City Manager

ATTEST:



Jennifer Forsberg
City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM



Kenneth B. Woodrich
City Attorney