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Mayor  
City of Doral

Re: City of Doral: State of Emergency- COVID19

On March 12, 2020, the City of Doral declared a State of Emergency regarding the coronavirus pandemic joining Miami-Dade County and the State of Florida. The City of Doral continues to closely monitor any new information or updates related to the evolving coronavirus COVID-19. Our City is committed to taking the necessary steps to safeguard the health and safety of our employees, visitors and citizens.

**Effective today, March 19, 2020 at 5:00 pm all parks will be closed until further notice.**

Additionally, the White House has issued recommendations for the general public, which include encouraging employees to work remotely from home. These new policies were all issued to reduce the potential spread of the virus.

**Effective Monday, March 23, 2020, City Hall will be open from 8:00 am to 12:00 pm.**

As we continue to respond to the evolving coronavirus COVID-19 emergency, Doral remains in regular contact with County and State Emergency Management. Earlier today, the Miami-Dade County Mayor published an Executive Order 7-20 ordering the closure of all non-essential commercial establishments (more details are provided below)

1. All non-essential retail and commercial establishments are ordered closed.
2. Essential retail and commercial businesses, which may remain open, are:
  - a. Healthcare providers, including, but not limited to, hospitals, doctors' and dentists' offices, urgent care centers, clinics, rehabilitation facilities, physical therapists, mental health professionals, psychiatrists, therapists, and pharmacies;
  - b. Grocery stores, farmers markets, farm and produce stands, supermarkets, food banks, convenience stores, and other establishments engaged in the retail sale of canned food, dry goods, fresh fruits and vegetables, pet supply, fresh meats, fish, and poultry, and any other household consumer products (such as cleaning and personal care products). This authorization includes stores that sell groceries and also sell other non-grocery products, and products necessary to maintaining the safety, sanitation, and essential operations of residences;
  - c. Food cultivation, including farming, livestock, and fishing;
  - d. Businesses that provide food, shelter, social services, and other necessities of life for economically disadvantaged or otherwise needy individuals;
  - e. Newspapers, television, radio, and other media services;
  - f. Gas stations and auto-supply, auto-repair, and related facilities;
  - g. Banks and related financial institutions;
  - h. Hardware stores;
  - i. Contractors and other tradesmen, appliance repair personnel, exterminators, and other service providers who provide services that are necessary to maintaining the safety, sanitation, and essential operation of residences and other structures;
  - j. Businesses providing mailing and shipping services, including post office boxes;



- k. Private colleges, trade schools, and technical colleges, but only as needed to facilitate online or distance learning;
- l. Laundromats, dry cleaners, and laundry service providers;
- m. Restaurants and other facilities that prepare and serve food, but subject to the limitations and requirements of Emergency Order 3-20. Schools and other entities that typically provide free food services to students or members of the public may continue to do so on the condition that the food is provided to students or members of the public on a pick-up and takeaway basis only. Schools and other entities that provide food services under this exemption shall not permit the food to be eaten at the site where it is provided, or at any other gathering site;
- n. Businesses that supply office products needed for people to work from home;
- o. Businesses that supply other essential businesses with the support or supplies necessary to operate, and which do not interact with the general public;
- p. Business that ship or deliver groceries, food, goods, or services directly to residences;
- q. Airlines, taxis and other private transportation providers providing transportation services via automobile, truck, bus, or train;
- r. Home-based care for seniors, adults, or children;
- s. Assisted living facilities, nursing homes, and adult day care centers, and senior residential facilities;
- t. Professional services, such as legal or accounting services, when necessary to assist in compliance with legally mandated activities;
- u. Landscape and pool care business, including residential landscape and pool care services;
- v. Childcare facilities providing services that enable employees exempted in this Order to work as permitted. To the extent possible, childcare facilities should operate under the following mandatory conditions:
  - i. Childcare must be carried out in stable groups of 10 or fewer (inclusive of childcare providers for the group).
  - ii. Children and childcare providers shall not change from one group to another.
  - iii. If more than one group of children is cared for at one facility, each group shall be in separate room. Groups shall not mix or interact with each other;
- w. Business operating at any airport, seaport, or other government facility, including parks and government offices;
- x. Pet supply stores;
- y. Logistics providers, including warehouses, trucking consolidators, fumigators, and handlers;
- z. Telecommunications providers, including sales of computer or telecommunications devices and the provision of home telecommunications;
- aa. Provisioners of propane or natural gas;
- bb. Office space and administrative support necessary to perform any of the above-listed activities;
- cc. Open construction sites, irrespective of the type of building;
- dd. Architectural, engineering, or land surveying services;
- ee. Factories, manufacturing facilities, bottling plants, or other industrial uses;
- ff. Waste management services, including collection and disposal of waste; and





- gg. Any business that is interacting with customers solely through electronic or telephonic means, and delivering products via mailing, shipping, or delivery services.

Based upon consultation with the County Attorney's office, hotels will remain open and are to be considered essential businesses.

Persons who are physically present at essential businesses are encouraged to practice social distancing such as keeping six feet between persons and limiting group size to less than ten people. Employers and employees are also urged, but are not required, to practice social distancing as well.

Persons attending religious services are also urged, but are not required, to practice social distancing.

The CDC reminds everyone to do their part to minimize the chance of further spreading the virus through preventative measures like:

- Washing your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. If soap and water are not available, use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth.
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
- Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces using a regular household cleaning spray or wipe.
- Take personal responsibility. If you are sick with a fever, cough or viral symptoms, please stay away from others, including the work environment and crowded areas.

It's important that everyone follow these best practices for preventing illness and that we all remain calm as we work through this period.

The City of Doral website, [www.cityofdoral.com](http://www.cityofdoral.com), has helpful links to resources and information from both the CDC and the Florida Department of Health, about the symptoms of the virus and the proper steps to take if you are concerned that you may be directly impacted.

We are also posting a great deal of information on our social media platforms. Follow us on Facebook and Twitter for the latest developments.

Sincerely,

Juan Carlos Bermudez  
City of Doral

