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**Emergency Regulation Under City of Canyon Lake Emergency Authority**

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The novel coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic is a global emergency that is unprecedented in modern history. Profoundly impacting our daily lives, it has inspired Canyon Lakers to respond with courage, compassion, wisdom and resolve to overcome this crisis and help each other.

On March 19, 2020, the Governor of California issued Executive Order N-33-20, ordering all individuals living in the State of California to stay home or at their place of residence, except as needed to maintain continuity of operation of the federal critical infrastructure sectors. Additionally, County of Riverside Health Officer Dr. Cameron Kaiser has issued multiple orders affecting the community, including the school closure Orders of March 13, 2020 and March 17, 2020, and the Order prohibiting gatherings in excess of 10 persons of March 16, 2020.

In a short period of time, and at an unprecedented scale, residents in Canyon Lake have embraced urgent social distancing best practices and aggressive hygienic precaution, not just to protect themselves, but to protect others.

Recent emergency orders — curtailing large public gatherings; temporarily closing many government facilities; closing parks, the golf course, bars and entertainment venues; and prohibiting restaurants from serving to dine-in customers while permitting take-out, delivery and drive-thru — have been followed with a willing and generous spirit.

While we have previously taken strong action, the virus continues to expand throughout the region, and at least one confirmed case has now been identified within the City of Canyon Lake. As a result, the City must adopt additional emergency measures to further limit the spread of COVID-19.

With this virus, we are safer at home. Wherever feasible, City residents must isolate themselves in their residences, subject to certain exceptions provided below.

Under the provisions of Section 2.28.060(6)(A) of the Canyon Lake Municipal Code, I hereby declare the following orders to be necessary for the protection of life and property in the City of Canyon Lake during the state of emergency, proclaimed on March 19, 2020 and confirmed by the Canyon Lake City Council on March 25, 2020. This Emergency Regulation is effective on Tuesday, March 31, 2020 at 11:59 PM and will be submitted to the Canyon Lake City Council for confirmation at the earliest practical time.

1. Subject only to the exceptions outlined in this Paragraph and Paragraph 5 below, all persons living within the City of Canyon Lake are hereby ordered to remain in their homes. Residents of the City of Canyon Lake who are experiencing homelessness are exempt from this requirement.

2. Subject only to the exceptions outlined in this Paragraph and Paragraph 5 below, all businesses within the City of Canyon Lake are ordered to cease operations that require in-person attendance by workers at a workplace.

3. All public and private gatherings of any number of people occurring outside of those individuals' residences are prohibited, except as to those exempted activities described in this Paragraph and Paragraph 5.

4. All travel, including, without limitation, travel on foot, bicycle, scooter, motorcycle, automobile, or public transit is prohibited, subject to the exceptions in Paragraph 5.

5. Exceptions. People may lawfully leave their residence while this Emergency Regulation is in effect to engage in the listed essential activities below so long as they maintain reasonable social distancing practices, including but not limited to, maintaining a distance of at least six-feet away from others, frequently washing hands with soap and water for at least twenty seconds or using hand sanitizer, covering coughs or sneezes (into the sleeve or elbow, not hands), regularly cleaning high-touch surfaces, and not shaking hands.

(i) Essential Activities. To engage in certain essential activities, including, without limitation, visiting a health or veterinary care professional, obtaining medical supplies or medication, obtaining grocery items (including, without limitation, canned food, dry goods, fresh fruits and vegetables, pet supplies, fresh or frozen meats, fish, and poultry, any other household consumer products and products necessary to maintain the safety and sanitation of residences and other buildings) for their household or to deliver to others, or for legally mandated government purposes. In addition, any travel related to (a) providing care for minors, the elderly, dependents, persons with disabilities, or other vulnerable persons; (b) returning to one's place of residence from outside the City; (c) travelling to one's place of residence located outside the City; (d) compliance with an order of law enforcement or court shall be exempt from this Emergency Regulation; or (e) legally mandated government purposes.

(ii) Outdoor Activities. To engage in outdoor activity and recreation, provided that the individuals comply with social distancing requirements, including, without limitation, walking, hiking, running, cycling; use of scooters, roller skates, skateboards, or other personal mobility devices; or travel in a vehicle with household members to a location where it is possible to walk, hike, run or ride a bike, or operate personal mobility devices, while maintaining social distancing practices.

(a) Indoor and outdoor playgrounds for children, except those located within childcare centers, shall be closed for all purposes.

(b) Use of vehicles, including but not limited to, boats and golf carts, shall only be permitted with household members.

(c) Golfing is prohibited.

(iii) Work in Support of Essential Activities. To perform work providing essential products and services or to otherwise carry out activities specifically permitted in this Order.

(iv) Protection of Non-essential Businesses: Non-essential businesses may keep facilities open only to maintain minimum basic operations, such as maintaining the value of an inventory, keeping the site secure, or ensuring that employees are able to work remotely. Non-essential businesses shall not be open to the public.

(v) To care for or support a friend, family member, or pet in another household.

(vi) Emergency Personnel. All first responders, gang and crisis intervention workers, public health workers, emergency management personnel, emergency dispatchers, law enforcement personnel, and related contractors and others working for emergency services providers are categorically exempt from this Emergency Regulation in the performance of their duties.

(vii) Essential Activities Exempt. Certain business operations and activities are exempt from the provisions of this Emergency Regulation, on the grounds that they provide services that are recognized to be critical to the health and well-being of the City. The conversion of a non-essential business into an essential business is prohibited during the term of this Emergency Regulation. These include:

(a) All healthcare operations, including hospitals, clinics, dentists, pharmacies, pharmaceutical and biotechnology companies, medical and scientific research, laboratories, healthcare suppliers, home healthcare services providers, veterinary and routine care providers, mental and behavioral health providers, substance use providers, physical therapists and chiropractors, or any related and/or ancillary healthcare services, manufacturers and suppliers. Healthcare operations does not include fitness and exercise gyms, barbers, beauty and nail salons, tobacco shops or similar facilities.

(b) Grocery stores, water retailers, certified farmers' markets, farm and produce stands, supermarkets, convenience stores, warehouse stores, food banks, convenience stores, and other establishments engaged in the retail sale of canned food, dry goods, fresh fruits and vegetables, pet supply, fresh or frozen meats, fish, and poultry, any other household consumer products (such as construction supplies, cleaning and personal care products). This includes stores that sell groceries and sell other non-grocery products, and products necessary to maintaining the safety, sanitation, and essential operation of residences.

(c) Organizations and businesses that provide food, shelter, and social services, and other necessities of life for economically disadvantaged or otherwise needy individuals (including gang prevention and intervention, domestic violence, and homeless services agencies).

(d) Newspapers, television, radio, magazine, and other media services.

(e) Gas service stations, auto supply, mobile auto repair operations, auto repair shops (including, without limitation, auto repair shops that operate adjacent to or otherwise in connection with a used or retail auto dealership), bicycle repair shops and related facilities. Car washes and auto detailing are prohibited.

(f) Banks, credit unions, financial institutions and insurance companies.

(g) Hardware and building supply stores, and nurseries.

(h) Plumbers, electricians, exterminators, custodial/janitorial workers, handyman services, funeral home workers and morticians, moving services, HVAC installers, carpenters, landscapers, gardeners, property managers, private security personnel and other service providers who provide services to maintain the safety, sanitation, and essential operation to properties and other essential activities discussed in this subsection.

(i) Businesses providing mailing and shipping services, including post office boxes.

(j) Educational institutions -- including public and private K-12 schools, colleges, and universities -- for purposes of facilitating distance learning or performing essential functions provided that social distancing of six-feet per person is maintained to the greatest extent possible.

(k) Laundromats, dry cleaners, and laundry service providers.

(l) Restaurants and retail food facilities that prepare and offer food to customers, but only via delivery service, to be picked up, or drive-thru. For those establishments offering food pick-up options, proprietors are directed to establish social distancing practices for those patrons in the queue for pick-up. This includes maintaining a distance of at least six-feet away from others.

(m) Businesses that supply products needed for people to work from home.

(n) Businesses that supply other essential businesses with the support, services, or supplies necessary to operate, provided that strict social distancing is maintained. This section includes, without limitation, utility companies.

(o) Individuals and businesses that ship or deliver groceries, food, beverages or goods directly to residences or businesses, including rail and trucking.

(p) Taxis and ride sharing services, and other private transportation services providing transportation services necessary for essential activities and other purposes expressly authorized in this Emergency Regulation.

(q) Home-based care for disabled persons, seniors, adults, or children.

(r) Residential facilities and shelters for homeless residents, disabled persons, seniors, adults, children and animals.

(s) Professional services, such as legal, payroll, realty, tax preparation or accounting services, when necessary to assist in compliance with legally mandated activities.

(t) Childcare facilities providing services that enable employees exempted in this Emergency Regulation to work as permitted. To the extent possible, childcare facilities must operate under the following mandatory conditions:

(1) Childcare must be carried out in stable groups of 12 or fewer ("stable" means that the same 12 or fewer children are in the same group each day).

(2) Children shall not change from one group to another.

(3) If more than one group of children is cared for at one facility, each group shall be in a separate room. Groups shall not mix with each other.

(4) Childcare providers shall remain solely with one group of children.

(viii) Government Employees. This Emergency Regulation does not apply to employees of government agencies working within the course and scope of their public service employment. Employees of the City of Canyon Lake shall follow any current or future directives issued by the City Manager.

(ix) Essential Infrastructure. Individuals may leave their residences to provide any services or goods or perform any work necessary to build, operate, maintain or manufacture essential infrastructure, including without limitation construction of commercial, office and institutional buildings, residential buildings and housing; airport operations, food supply, concessions, and construction; water, sewer, gas, electrical; roads and highways, public transportation and rail; solid waste collection and removal; flood control and watershed protection; internet and telecommunications systems (including the provision of essential global, national, and local infrastructure for computing services, business infrastructure, communications, and web-based services); and manufacturing and distribution companies deemed essential to the supply chains of the industries referenced in this Paragraph, provided that they carry out those services and that work in compliance with social distancing practices as prescribed by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the Riverside County Department of Public Health, to the extent possible.

6. To the extent that this Emergency Regulation is in conflict with earlier Emergency Regulations of the City of Canyon Lake, this Emergency Regulation shall supersede the others. To the extent that this Emergency Regulation is more or less strict than similar orders or regulations issued by the Public Health Officer for the County of Riverside or any other government agency or official authorized by law, the stricter controls. For the sake of clarity, this Emergency Regulation is not intended and shall not be interpreted as authorizing conduct that is contrary to any order or regulation issued by the Public Health Officer for the County of Riverside or any other government agency or official authorized by law.

7. Failure to comply with this Emergency Regulation shall constitute a misdemeanor subject to fines and imprisonment pursuant to Canyon Lake Municipal Code Section 2.28.100. I hereby urge the Sheriff's Department, which serves as the law enforcement agency for the City of Canyon Lake, and the City Attorney to vigorously enforce this Emergency Regulation.

8. If any subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, or word of this Emergency Regulation or any application of it to any person, structure, or circumstance is held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a decision of a court of competent jurisdiction, then such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions or applications of this Emergency Regulation.

This order shall be in place until May 6, 2020 at 11:59 p.m. and it may be extended prior to that time.

Date: March 31, 2020



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