



***Office of the Mayor  
City of Cleburne, Texas***

**ORDER No. 6**

**WHEREAS**, in December 2019 a novel coronavirus now designated COVID-19, was detected in Wuhan City, Hubei Province, China. Symptoms of COVID-19 include fever, cough, and shortness of breath. Outcomes have ranged from mild to severe illness, and in some cases death; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 11, 2020 the World Health Organization (WHO) declared COVID-19 as a pandemic; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 13, 2020, pursuant to his powers as Governor of the State of Texas, Greg Abbott has issued a proclamation certifying that COVID-19 poses an imminent threat of disaster in the state and declaring a state of disaster for all counties in Texas; and

**WHEREAS**, I, Scott Cain, the Mayor of the City of Cleburne has determined that extraordinary measures must be taken to respond quickly, prevent and alleviate the suffering of people exposed to and those infected with the virus, as well as those that could potentially be infected or impacted by COVID-19, and to protect or rehabilitate property; and

**WHEREAS**, I, Scott Cain, the Mayor of the City of Cleburne issued a Declaration of Local Disaster on March 13, 2020 and City Council on March 13, 2020, approved Resolution No. RS03-2020-32 extending the Declaration of Local Disaster to March 29, 2020; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council on March 24, 2020, approved Resolution No. RS03-2020-35 extending the Declaration of Local Disaster to April 14, 2020; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Cleburne's Emergency Management Plan is activated; and

**WHEREAS**, I hereby issue this Order No. 6 to replace all prior Orders to ensure the protection of the general public in the City of Cleburne.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE CITY OF CLEBURNE, TEXAS:**

1. That the following Orders shall supplement my March 13, 2020 Declaration and replaces any prior order given thereto and shall remain in effect until April 14, 2020, unless continued or renewed by the City Council, or modified by further Order.
2. Pursuant to Section 418.108(c) of the Government Code, this Order shall be attached to and made part of the Declaration of Disaster and filed promptly with the City Secretary, and shall be given prompt and general publicity.
3. Pursuant to Section 122.006 of the Texas Health and Safety Code, this Order authorizes the City to take any actions necessary to promote health and suppress disease and fining those who do not comply with the City's rules.
4. Stay Safe at Home. All individuals currently living in the City of Cleburne, Texas are hereby ordered to stay at their place of residence except as permitted in this Order. For the purpose of this Order, residences shall also include hotels, motels, shared rentals, and similar facilities.
5. Gatherings. All public or private gatherings of any number of people occurring outside a single household or living unit are prohibited, except as otherwise provided herein. Nothing in this Order prohibits the gathering of members of a household or living unit.

For the purpose of allowable work related activities, this declaration does not prohibit gatherings of people in multiple, separate enclosed spaces (including separate cubicles) in a single building such as different floors of a multi-level office, residential building, or hotel, so long as 10 people are not present in any single space at the same time and there is sufficient space to practice social distancing. Social distancing as used in this Order means maintain separation from others by a distance of 6 feet or more.

For gatherings for church services, weddings, and funerals, this Order hereby limits the gatherings to a maximum of 10 individuals total so long as there is sufficient space to practice social distancing. Social distancing as used in this Order means maintain separation from others by a distance of 6 feet or more. The limit of 10 applies to the cumulative of all staff and participants present.

6. All persons may leave their residences for the following activities:
  - a. To engage in activities or perform tasks essential to their health and safety, or to the health and safety of their family or household members (for example, obtaining medical supplies or medication, visiting a health care professional, or obtaining supplies needed to work from home).
  - b. To obtain necessary services or supplies for themselves and their family or household members, or to deliver those services or supplies to others (for example, food, pet supply, and any other household consumer products, and products necessary to maintain the safety, sanitation, and essential operation of residences).

- c. To engage in outdoor activity, provided the individuals comply with gathering and social distancing requirements of six feet (for example, walking, bicycle riding, hiking or running).
  - d. To care for a family member or pet in another household.
  - e. To go to work and provide services.
7. Social Distancing. To the extent individuals are using shared or outdoor spaces, they must at all times as reasonably as possible maintain social distancing of at least six feet from any other person when they are outside of their residence.
8. Elective Medical Procedures. That all elective medical, surgical, and dental procedures are prohibited anywhere in the City of Cleburne. Hospitals, ambulatory surgery centers, dental offices, and other medical facilities are directed to identify procedures that are deemed “elective” by assessing which procedures can be postponed or cancelled based on patient risk considering the emergency need for redirection of resources to COVID-19 response.
9. Restaurants. In accordance with the Guidelines from the President and the CDC, and by Executive Order of the Governor of the State of Texas, people shall avoid eating or drinking at bars, restaurants, and food courts, or visiting gyms or massage parlors; provided, however, that the use of drive-thru, pickup, or delivery options is allowed and highly encouraged throughout the limited duration of this executive order. The restriction of delivery or carry out does not apply to cafes and restaurants located within hospital and medical facilities.
10. Essential Retail. Only essential retail shall be allowed and all other retail is prohibited. Essential retail shall only include the following:
- a. Food service providers, including grocery stores, warehouse stores, bodegas, gas stations, convenience stores, home improvement stores and other retail stores that sell food products and household staples, pet and feed stores.
  - b. Businesses not open to the public that ship or deliver groceries, food, goods or services directly to residences.
  - c. Pawn shops and gun stores.
  - d. Schools and other entities that typically provide free services to students or members of the public on a pick-up and take-away basis only.
  - e. Laundromats, dry cleaners, and laundry service providers.
  - f. Businesses that provide for the delivery, service of, or preparation of vehicles.
  - g. Businesses that supply products needed for people to work from home, including businesses providing mail and shipping and post office box.
  - h. Businesses that supply products necessary for essential repairs and maintenance of a home or business.
  - i. Hotel, motels, and shared rental units, except that all bars, cafes, or restaurants in hotels, motels, and shared rental units are closed except for pick-up and room service.
11. Businesses Closed. That this Order hereby orders the closure of all commercial

amusement and entertainment venues; theaters; gyms; group or individual garage sale events; door to door solicitation; fitness classes; yoga and personal training facilities; similar facilities and classes; tattoo and piercing parlors and tanning salons; public auctions (other than livestock); residential meeting spaces; event centers; hotel meeting spaces and ballrooms; outdoor plazas and markets; barber shops; hair salons; nail salons; spas; massage parlors; estheticians and related personal care businesses; indoor malls; bars, lounges, taverns, and private clubs; all of which businesses are closed and no occupancy is permitted.

12. Convenience Stores. For convenience stores, this Order hereby limits the occupancy to a maximum of 10 individuals inside the store at any one time and requires convenience store operators to enact and ensure social distancing of a minimum of six (6) feet between all customers. The limit of 10 applies to the cumulative of all staff and patrons present.
13. Occupancy Other. So long as there is sufficient space to practice social distancing, this occupancy or gathering limit does not apply to office buildings, government buildings, critical infrastructure such as airport and transit facilities, residential buildings, grocery stores, pharmacies, home improvement and supply stores, outside refueling stations at convenience stores, manufacturing and industrial locations, non-profit service providers, homeless and emergency shelters, day cares, and medical facilities. Livestock auctions shall be permitted to have more than 10 individuals on site provided the number of individual bidders is limited to 10 while in the auction area or any other rooms or areas (limit of 10 per area) and measures are taken to ensure social distancing.
14. Public Areas Closed. This Order authorizes the City Manager to close any public area or facility as needed to promote the health and safety of the community and protect the wellbeing of city employees.
15. Groceries and Supplies. This Order requires all public facilities providing groceries, home improvement items, animal and household supplies, or pharmaceutical supplies to:
  - (a) provide hand sanitizer at all entry points;
  - (b) provide a process to ensure sanitized wipe down of all handles for grocery carts and baskets at all customer entry points;
  - (c) enact and ensure social distancing for all customers at entry points, checkout lines and all other areas both inside and outside the facility at all times including prior to opening times;
  - (d) post a list of all reasonable limits of purchases at all entry points; and
  - (e) limit toilet paper purchases to 12 rolls or one package, whichever is greater, per person, per purchase.
16. Events Prohibited. That this Order prohibits all events, public or private.
17. Nursing Homes. Nursing homes, retirement homes, and long-term care facilities are

instructed to prohibit non-essential visitors from accessing their facilities unless to provide critical assistance or for end-of-life visitation.

18. Positive Test Result. If someone in a household has tested positive for coronavirus, the household is ordered to isolate at home until such time as otherwise directed by County or State health officials.
19. Enforcement. That this Order hereby authorizes the use of all lawfully available enforcement tools to carry out this order including a fine of up to \$1,000.00 and imprisonment of up to 180 days for each violation.
20. Recommendations. That this Order sets forth strong recommendations, attached hereto, for the purpose of mitigating the spread of COVID-19.
21. That this Order shall take effect at 12:01 a.m., March 28, 2020.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT SO DECLARED AND ORDERED** this the 27<sup>th</sup> day of March 2020.



*In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand  
and caused the seal of this city to be affixed.*

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Scott Cain", is written over a horizontal line.

Scott Cain, Mayor

**CITY OF CLEBURNE  
RECOMMENDATIONS FOR MITIGATING  
THE SPREAD OF COVID-19**

***The City of Cleburne strongly recommends, as may be applicable, the following for Grocery Stores and Home Improvement and Supply stores greater than 25,000 square feet:***

- 1) Establish clear barriers, such as plexiglass, between the checkout clerks and the customers.
- 2) Encourage the use of drive-thru, curbside, or delivery services.
- 3) Partner with churches who can shop for, pick-up and/or deliver groceries to the elderly and those with underlying health conditions.
- 4) Encourage customers to not purchase more than they need and consider placing limits on certain items (see suggested list below) to ensure fair and equitable distribution.
- 5) Provide dedicated shopping times for those who are over the age of 60, handicapped persons who need assistance shopping, and one caregiver.

***The City of Cleburne strongly recommends the following for Funeral Homes:***

1. Have patrons refrain from close personnel contact and practice social distancing of six feet (6').
2. Provide hand sanitizer at the entrance to the funeral home and ask all patrons to wash their hands prior to arrival.
3. Spread visitations out throughout the day instead of compressing them into smaller increments of time during the evening hours.
4. Discourage patrons from congregating in area such as foyers, living rooms or staterooms.
5. Encourage patrons to make their visits brief so everyone will be able to participate in the visitation while meeting current limitations on public gatherings or occupancy.
6. Should patrons have questions for funeral home staff or the director, please encourage them to call first as some questions may be addressed over the phone, as opposed to in person.
7. Seat patrons in such a manner that parties are practicing social distancing and remain a minimum of six feet (6') apart.