



*Office of the Mayor  
City of Cleburne, Texas*

**ORDER No. 1**

**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 of Cleburne's Emergency Management Plan is activated; and

**WHEREAS**, I hereby issue this Order No. 1 to implement additional measures 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 any prior orders thereto and shall remain in effect until March 29, 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. The size of gatherings shall be no more than 50 people and mandates the cancellation of all such gatherings of more than 50 people until further notice. 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 50 people are not present in any single space at the same time. This declaration also does not prohibit the use of enclosed spaces where more than 50 people may be present at different times during the day, so long as more than 50 people are not present in the space at the same time. For any gathering covered by this subsection, the Mayor of the City of Cleburne strongly encourages compliance with the attached recommendations. The uses in Sections 5, 6, and 7 are not considered "gatherings," but are limited or prohibited as provided in Sections 5, 6, and 7.
5. That this Order hereby orders that a restaurant or any type of venue that serves food and beverages shall be limited to no more people than fifty percent (50%) of the established occupancy load if applicable, or fifty percent (50%) of existing seating or fifty (50) individuals, whichever is less. Restaurants are directed to exercise social separation by not seating a party of more than six individuals and by maintaining at least six feet (6') of separation between parties. The implementation of drive-through service, curbside pick-up and delivery is strongly recommended.
6. That this Order hereby orders the closure of all commercial amusement venues; theaters; gyms; and private clubs.
7. That this Order hereby limits the occupancy of the following locations to 50% of the established occupancy load if applicable or 50 individuals, whichever is less:
  - a. Event Centers;
  - b. Hotel Meeting Spaces, and Ballrooms;
  - c. Retail Stores;
  - d. Convenience Stores;
  - e. Plazas;
  - f. Places of Worship; and
  - g. Malls

This 50% occupancy limit or gathering limits do not apply to areas not listed above, including office buildings, government buildings, critical infrastructure such as airport and transit facilities, residential buildings, grocery stores, manufacturing and industrial locations, non-profit service providers, homeless and emergency shelters,

day cares, and medical facilities.

8. That this Order hereby authorizes the use of all lawfully available enforcement tools to carry out this order.
9. That this Order sets forth strong recommendations, attached hereto, for the purpose of mitigating the spread of COVID-19.
10. That this Order shall take effect at 12:01 a.m., March 20, 2020.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT SO DECLARED AND ORDERED** this the 18th day of March 2020.

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

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Scott Cain, Mayor

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

*The City of Cleburne strongly recommends the following:*

- (1) Cancel all nonessential gatherings and meetings of less than 50 people.
- (2) Create smaller groups for essential meetings, and consider holding video/audio meetings instead.
- (3) For individuals at increased risk of severe illness, cancel gatherings of more than 10 people, and limit nonessential outings. “Individuals at increased risk of severe illness” includes but is not limited to individuals 60 years and older; with compromised immune systems; with medical conditions such as diabetes, heart disease or disorders, or chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD) or other lung conditions.
- (4) For operators of public spaces, provide ways for patrons to maintain safe social distancing, for example, maintaining six feet of separation between individuals; have hand washing capabilities, hand sanitizers and tissues available; and frequently clean high touch surface areas like counter tops, handrails, and doorknobs.
- (5) For workplaces, promote telecommuting; ensure employees do not work while sick; do not require a doctor’s note for employees who are sick; maximize flexibility in sick leave benefits; and minimize the number of employees working within arm’s length of one another.
- (6) For pharmacies, increase the use and capability of drive-thru, curbside, or delivery services; limit or restrict the number of customers permitted in a store at one time; minimize the number of employees working within arm’s length of one another; provide handwashing capabilities, hand sanitizers, and tissues; and frequently clean high-touch surface areas like countertops, doorknobs, and handrails.
- (7) Determine ways to consider providing support services, including meals, to individuals at increased risk of severe illness while limiting group settings and exposures.
- (8) Minimize all nonessential travel.

*The City of Cleburne strongly recommends the following for Grocery Stores:*

- 1) Establish clear barriers, such as plexiglass, between the checkout clerks and the customers.
- 2) Provide sanitary wipes at the shopping cart area.
- 3) Provide hand sanitizer at each entrance.
- 4) Maintain social distancing by requiring a minimum of six feet (6') of separation between customers within any line through the use and/or placement of shopping carts.
- 5) Encourage the use of drive-thru, curbside, or delivery services.
- 6) Partner with churches who can shop for, pick-up and/or deliver groceries to the elderly and those with underlying health conditions.
- 7) 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.

Suggested List:

- Alcohol Swabs/Rubbing Alcohol – limit 2
- Baby Diapers – Limit 2
- Baby Formula – Limit 2
- Baby Wipes – Limit 2
- Bath Tissue- Limit 2
- Bleach – Limit 2
- Boxed Dinners – Limit 8
- Bread – Limit 4
- Canned Beans – Limit 8
- Canned Meats – Limit 8
- Canned Seafood – Limit 8
- Canned Soup – Limit 8
- Canned Vegetables – Limit 8
- Cereal – Limit 4
- Chicken – Limit 4
- Disinfectant Wipes/Sprays – Limit 4
- Dried Beans – Limit 4
- Eggs – Limit 2
- Frozen Breakfast – Limit 4
- Frozen Pizza – Limit 4
- Frozen Potatoes – Limit 4
- Frozen Vegetables – Limit 4
- Gloves – Limit 2
- Ground Beef – Limit 4
- Ground Turkey – Limit 4
- Hand Sanitizer/Hand Soap – Limit 2
- Hydrogen Peroxide and Masks – Limit 2

- Milk – Limit 2
- Nut Butters – Limit 4
- Oatmeal – Limit 4
- Paper Towels – Limit 4
- Pasta – Limit 4
- Pasta Sauce – 4
- Powdered Milk – Limit 2
- Rice – Limit 4
- Trial and Travel Size Disinfectant Wipes/Sprays – Limit 2
- Water Multipack – Limit 2
- Water Gallon – Limit 2

*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.