



## **ORDER**

**BY**

**THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF NOLANVILLE**

**Whereas**, on March 20, 2020, a Declaration of Local Disaster was issued by the Mayor of Nolanville to allow the City of Nolanville to take measures to reduce the possibility of exposure to COVID-19 and promote the health and safety of Nolanville residents; and

**Whereas**, on March 13, 2020, a Declaration of State of Disaster was issued by Governor Abbott to take additional steps to prepare for, respond to, and mitigate the spread of COVID-19 to protect the health and welfare of Texans; and

**Whereas**, the COVID-19 virus is contagious and spreads through person-to-person contact, especially in group settings; and

**Whereas**, on March 15, 2020, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention ("CDC") recommended that organizers (whether groups or individuals) cancel or postpone in-person events that consist of 50 people or more throughout the United States; and

**Whereas**, on March 16, 2020, President Trump acknowledged the gravity of the COVID-19 pandemic, releasing strict new guidelines to limit people's interactions, including that Americans should avoid groups of more than 10 people; and

**Whereas**, first responders and other essential personnel who continue to work may require assistance with childcare during this time; and

**Whereas**, vulnerable populations in Nolanville may require assistance procuring adequate meals.

**NOW THEREFORE, I, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF NOLANVILLE, PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY VESTED BY TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE CHAPTER 418, HEREBY FIND AND ORDER:**

**SECTION 1.** That the findings and recitations set out in the preamble to this ORDER are found to be true and correct and they are hereby adopted by the Mayor and made a part hereof for all purposes.

**SECTION 2.** Effective as of the execution of this Order, and continuing until terminated or modified by another Order, the Mayor of the City of Nolanville, Texas, deems it in the public interest to authorize the City Manager to create and administer a program to use general or reserve funds in an amount not to exceed TEN THOUSAND AND 00/100 DOLLARS (\$10,000.00) for expenditures related to the following:

1. Providing childcare services for first responders and other essential personnel who support or reside in Nolanville, Texas; and
2. Providing or procuring meals for pick up for seniors in Nolanville, Texas, sixty years old and older; and
3. Providing meals for pick up or delivery to “vulnerable populations” as that term is defined by the Centers for Disease Control.

**SECTION 3.** Effective as of the execution of this Order, and continuing until terminated or modified by another Order, the Mayor of the City of Nolanville, Texas, Because of the risk that health care authorities have identified due to the rapid spread of the virus, and the need to protect the most vulnerable members of the community, this Order prohibits gatherings of persons of more than 10 persons anywhere in the City, under the specified terms and conditions set forth below, beginning at midnight tonight, March 20, 2020 and continuing until such time as a future Order removes such prohibition.

1. Public or private gatherings, as defined below, are prohibited anywhere in the City. Said gatherings are:
  - a. A restaurant with or without drive-through services; drive-through restaurant; microbrewery, micro-distillery, or winery; however, any of these establishments may continue to provide take out, delivery or drive-through or drive-up services as may be allowed by law;
  - b. A location with alcoholic beverage consumption for on-premise consumption, including a bar, lounge, or tavern or private club; and
  - c. Indoor recreational facilities, including gyms, health clubs, indoor amusement facilities, including, bowling alleys, pool halls, movie theaters, and massage parlors.
2. Visitation of nursing homes or retirement or long-term care facilities, unless to provide critical assistance, is prohibited.
3. Schools shall temporarily close until 11:59 pm on April 3, 2020.
4. For purposes of this Order, a “gathering” is any indoor or outdoor event or convening, subject to the exceptions and clarifications below, that brings together or is likely to bring together **ten (10) or more persons at the same time in a single room or other single confined or enclosed space**, such as an auditorium, stadium, (indoor or outdoor), tent, arena, or event center, music venue, meeting hall, conference


center, large cafeteria, or any other confined indoor or outdoor space. A 'confined' or 'enclosed' space includes any area that has a barrier such as a fence or railing or other barrier on more than one side of the area.

5. For purposes of clarity, a 'gathering' does not include the following, or other similar uses, so long as social distancing is being practiced:
  - a. Spaces where ten (10) or more persons may be in transit or waiting for transit such as airports, bus stations, or terminals;
  - b. Office spaces, public and private schools, child-care facilities, residences, or any type of temporary sheltering or housing;
  - c. Grocery stores, convenience stores, shopping centers or malls, or other retail and business establishments where numbers might exceed 10 (ten) or more, but where it would be unusual for people to within six (6) feet of one another for extended periods; and
  - d. Hospitals and medical facilities.
6. Failure to comply with this Order is an offense punishable by a fine of up to \$1,000 per day or confinement in jail for a term not to exceed 180 days.

**SECTION 4.** The City of Nolanville will continue to hold public meetings pursuant to the Open Meetings Act, which includes the power to hold emergency meetings via videoconference and with reduced duration of public notice.


This Order shall be filed in the Office of the City Secretary and posted on the Nolanville, Texas website. In addition, every owner, manager, or operator of any facility that is impacted by this Order is encouraged to post a copy of this Order onsite.

**ORDERED** this the 20<sup>th</sup> day of March 2020, in the City of Nolanville, Bell County, Texas, in witness whereof I subscribe my name and cause to be affixed the Seal of the City of Nolanville, Texas.

  
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Andy Williams, Mayor  
Nolanville, Texas

Filed with me this 20<sup>th</sup> day of March 2020, by Mayor Andy Williams, whose signature I hereby attest under my hand and the Seal of the City of Nolanville, Texas.



  
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Crystal Briggs, City Secretary  
Nolanville, Texas