

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2020-01

ISSUE DATE: March 15, 2020

EXECUTIVE ORDER IN RESPONSE TO COVID-19 (COVID-19 EXECUTIVE ORDER NO.01)

WHEREAS, in late 2019, a new and significant outbreak of Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) emerged; and,

WHEREAS, COVID-19 is a novel severe acute respiratory illness that can spread among people through respiratory transmissions and present with symptoms similar to those of influenza; and,

WHEREAS, certain populations are at higher risk of experiencing more severe illness as a result of COVID-19, including older adults and people who have serious chronic medical conditions such as heart disease, diabetes, or lung disease; and,

WHEREAS, despite efforts to contain COVID-19, the World Health Organization and the Center for Disease Control (CDC) indicate that it is expected to spread; and,

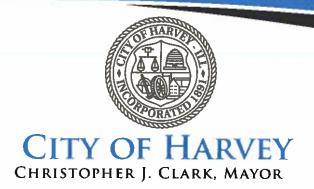
WHEREAS, in communities with confirmed COVID-19 cases, the CDC currently recommends mitigation measures, including practicing social distancing, staying at home when sick, staying home when a household member is sick with respiratory disease symptoms or when instructed to do so by public health officials or a health care provider, and keeping away from others who are sick; and,

WHEREAS, Illinois Governor J.B. Pritzker declared a state emergency in response to COVID-19 on March 9, 2020. United States President Donald J. Trump declared a national emergency on March 13, 2020.and,

WHEREAS, I, Christopher J. Clark, Mayor of Harvey, Illinois, declared the City of Harvey, Illinois in a local state of emergency/civil emergency on March 15, 2020 ("Declaration of Local State of Emergency/Civil Emergency"); and,

WHEREAS, it is necessary and appropriate for the City of Harvey, Illinois to immediately take measures to protect the public's health in response to this COVID-19 outbreak;

THEREFORE, by the powers vested in me as the Mayor of the City of Harvey, Illinois, and pursuant to Illinois Municipal Code, the Illinois Emergency Management Agency Act and Title 2, Chapter 2-88 of the City of Harvey, Illinois municipal code, I hereby order the following:



- 1. Beginning on March 15, 2020, all bars, taverns, private clubs, social clubs, nightclubs, gentleman's clubs, entertainment venues or portions thereof shall remain closed for the duration of the Declaration of Local State of Emergency/Civil Emergency;
- 2. Beginning on March 15, 2020, all community events are cancelled for the duration of the Declaration of Local State of Emergency/Civil Emergency
- 3. Beginning on March 15, 2020, all gatherings exceeding 50 individuals are cancelled until April 15, 2020. The City of Harvey will be enforcing this ban.
- 4. The City is encouraging that gatherings of 25 people or more should be cancelled or postponed for the next 30 days. Event organizers should use good judgment about canceling events in their own communities.
- 5. For gatherings of less than 10 people, event organizers should closely consider who is likely to attend the event and, if it includes vulnerable populations, strongly consider canceling.
- 6. All regularly scheduled meetings of the City (council, committees and commissions) are suspended until further notice.
- 7. The City is suspending all non-critical services provided by first responders (i.e., fire inspections, water meter inspections and replacements). Please note, first responders will continue to respond to 911 calls.
- 8. All water shut-offs are suspended until May 1, 2020.
- 9. The Office of the Mayor will remain open and operating, as we are fully committed to ensuring that the government will continue to serve the people of Harvey, Illinois.

Christopher J. Clark, Mayor