

City of Hapeville Declares State of Emergency due to COVID-19

For the well-being and safety of City residents, certain actions are required to reduce the potential catastrophic impact of COVID-19, per the Center for Disease Control's (CDC's) guidelines. This declaration is **in effect Tuesday, March 24, 2020, at 9PM** and will stay in effect until the State of Emergency declared by Governor Kemp is lifted, or this Resolution is repealed or terminated by Mayor and Council.

Public Safety Measures: The City Council declares that all businesses follow the below requirements as of the March 24, 2020 beginning at 9:00 p.m. the following requirements shall be effective, in full force, and mandatory for all business subject to the following requirements:

- **Bars, Restaurants, or Businesses that sell food or beverages for consumption on premises.**
 - All bars, restaurants, or businesses who sell food or beverages for consumption on premises shall be closed to in-person dining.
 - Bars, restaurants, and other businesses who sell food may offer food for take-away, drive-through or for delivery services.
 - Businesses affected by these closures shall establish systems that restrict in-person contact as much as possible, which includes not permitting more than one customer at a time to be in the premises. Such processes may include the business taking the food to the customer's vehicle rather than the customer coming inside the business.
 - Business shall ensure that all onsite consumption of food is prohibited, and that employees and contractors of the business maintain at least six (6) feet of personal distance between themselves as much as possible given the physical constraints of the premises.
 - All bars and nightclubs that do not serve food shall be closed.
 - If a restaurant is licensed to sell beer and wine for on-premises consumption, such restaurant, during the effective dates of this ordinance only, shall be authorized to sell unopened bottles or cans of beer or wine for take-out consumption off premises.
 - Cafeterias in hospitals, nursing homes, or similar facilities are not subject to these restrictions and may continue normal operations.
- **Establishments offering Massage and Manicure services, and Hairstyling and Personal Grooming services.**
 - Due to the close proximity required to deliver Massage and Manicure services, the same being in contravention to the public health, safety and welfare due to the nature of this emergency, establishments providing Massage and Manicure services shall discontinue business until this emergency resolution is terminated or repealed. Hairstyling and personal grooming services may continue to operate businesses so

long as the following conditions are met: (1) no more than ten (10) customers and stylists combined allowed in the business; and (2) stylists must abide by all safety measures recommended by state and federal governments pertaining to COVID- 19.

- **Gyms or Sports Clubs offering use of Exercise Equipment or Close Contact Sports.**
 - Due to the joint use of equipment and close proximity required to deliver both exercise facilities and close contact sports, the same being in contravention to the public health, safety and welfare due to the nature of this emergency, Gyms or Sports Clubs offering use of exercise equipment or close contact sports shall discontinue business until this emergency resolution is terminated or repealed.
- **Event Facilities, including live performance venues and private social clubs.**
 - Due to the nature of events and the potential close proximity of participants and enclosed nature of many event facilities, the same being in contravention to the public health, safety and welfare due to the nature of this emergency, Event Facilities capable of hosting gatherings of more than ten (10) persons shall discontinue business until this emergency resolution is terminated or repealed .
 - All businesses, even those not specifically named herein, must ensure that they practice public safety measures, including but not limited to, limiting the number of people in the business , ensuring patrons and employees practice social distancing, which means maintaining at least six (6) feet of personal distance between themselves as much as possible given the physical constraints of the premises, and maintaining clean and sanitized premises.
 - City-owned parks will remain open and users may utilize the facilities at their own risk and discretion. Equipment in City parks will be sanitized by City employees once a day during business hours on Monday through Friday. All City residents are encouraged to practice social distancing as recommended by state and federal health and safety guidelines .

For more information, please visit www.hapeville.org. or call (404) 669-2100.