



**REOPENED SERVICES ORDER
BY THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF PEARLAND (TR 7)**

WHEREAS, pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 418.108, Pearland Mayor, Tom Reid, issued a Declaration of Local Disaster for Public Health Emergency on March 18, 2020, due to a novel coronavirus now designated SARS-CoV2 which causes the disease COVID-19; 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, Governor Abbott issued an Executive Order on Thursday, March 19, 2020, issuing orders for Texas to adhere to certain control measures and mitigation strategies; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of the Texas Department of State Health Services ("DSHS") declared a Public Health Disaster for the entire State of Texas on Thursday, March 19, 2020, which outlines certain control measures and mitigation strategies; and

WHEREAS, on March 25, 2020, Mayor Reid executed Stay Safe at Home Order No. TR-4 limiting work activity to defined Essential Services; and

WHEREAS, it remains necessary to ensure that the maximum number of people self-isolate in their places of residence to the maximum extent feasible, while enabling essential services and re-opened services to continue, to slow the spread of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on April 17, 2020, Governor Abbott issued Executive Order No. GA-16 in accordance with guidance from DSHS Commissioner Dr. Hellerstedt, to achieve the goals established by the President to reduce the spread of COVID-19, by ordering that every person in Texas shall, except where necessary to provide or obtain essential services or reopened services, minimize social gatherings and minimize in-person contact with people who are not in the same household

WHEREAS, Mayor Reid recognizes that Executive Order No. GA-16 supersedes any conflicting order issued by local officials in response to the COVID-19 disaster, to the extent that such a local order restricts essential services or reopened services allowed by the executive order.



WHEREAS, Mayor Reid seeks ensure a consistent and cooperative approach with the State of Texas as essential services and reopened services occur in the City.

NOW THEREFORE, I, MAYOR TOM REID FOR THE CITY OF PEARLAND, TEXAS, 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 12:01 a.m. on April 24, 2020, and continuing until 11:59 p.m. on April 30, 2020, unless terminated or modified by an earlier order, the Mayor of the City of Pearland, Texas, deems it in the public interest to order that:

- a. In accordance with Executive Order No. GA-16 and to achieve the goals established by the President to reduce the spread of COVID-19, every person in Texas shall, except where necessary to provide or obtain essential services or reopened services, minimize social gatherings and minimize in-person contact with people who are not in the same household.
- b. "Essential services" shall consist of everything listed by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) in its Guidance on the Essential Critical Infrastructure Workforce, Version 2.0 or any subsequent version, plus religious services conducted in churches, congregations, and houses of worship. Other essential services may be added to this list with the approval of the Texas Division of Emergency Management (TDEM).
- c. "Reopened services" shall consist of:
 - Starting at 12:01 a.m. on Friday, April 24, 2020, retail services that are not "essential services," but that may be provided through pickup, delivery by mail, or delivery to the customer's doorstep in strict compliance with the terms required by DSHS. The DSHS requirements may be found at www.dshs.texas.gov/coronavirus.
 - Such additional services as may be enumerated by future executive orders or proclamations by the governor.
- d. In providing or obtaining essential services or reopened services, people and businesses should follow the Guidelines from the President and the



CDC by practicing good hygiene, environmental cleanliness, and sanitation, implementing social distancing, and working from home if possible. All such services should be provided through remote telework from home unless they cannot be provided through remote telework. Religious services should be conducted in accordance with the Guidelines for Houses of Worship During the COVID-19 Crisis, as promulgated by the attorney general and governor.

SECTION 3. The City must promptly provide copies of this Order by posting on the City website and file a copy of the Order with the City Secretary. In addition, the owner, manager, or operator of any facility that is likely to be impacted by this Order is strongly encouraged to post a copy of this Order onsite and to provide a copy to any member of the public asking for a copy. If any subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, or word of this Order or any application of it to any person, structure, gathering, or circumstance is held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a decision of a court of competent jurisdiction, then such decision will not affect the validity of the remaining portions or applications of this Order.

SECTION 4. Pursuant to Tex. Gov't Code Section 418.173, any law enforcement agency with jurisdiction in the City of Pearland is hereby authorized to enforce this Order and may prescribe a fine that does not exceed \$1,000.00 or confinement in jail for a term not to exceed 180 days

SECTION 5. This Order shall become effective at 12:01 a.m. on April 24, 2020, until it is either rescinded, superseded, or amended pursuant to applicable law, and applies to the incorporated limits of the City of Pearland.

FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH ANY OF THE PROVISIONS OF THIS ORDER CONSTITUTES AN IMMINENT THREAT TO PUBLIC HEALTH.

ORDERED this the 23rd day of April 2020, in the City of Pearland, Texas.

Tom Reid

Mayor Tom Reid

4-23-2020

Date