


CITY OF CORAL GABLES

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

TO: CITY COMMISSION
FROM: 
RAUL VALDES-FAULI
MAYOR

DATE: April 28, 2020

TIME: 3:08 PM

CITY OF CORAL GABLES EMERGENCY ORDER RELATING TO THE RE-OPENING OF
CITY PARKS, GOLF COURSES, AND TENNIS FACILITIES

WHEREAS, on March 12, 2020, I declared a state of emergency for the City of Coral Gables, Florida (the "City") as authorized by Section 252.38(3)(a), Florida Statutes, Section 6 of the City Charter, and Section 27-2(c)(6) of the City Code in response to the Novel Coronavirus Disease-2019 (COVID-19) (the "Declaration") and on March 25, 2020, under the same authority, I issued a "Safer At Home" Emergency Order (the "Safer At Home Order"); and

WHEREAS, all recitals in the City's Safer at Home Order are incorporated by reference as if fully set forth herein, however, this order shall govern with regard to parks, golf courses, and tennis facilities within the City; and

WHEREAS, on April 27, 2020, Miami-Dade County Mayor's issued Amendment No. 1 to Miami-Dade County Emergency Order 15-20 and issued Emergency Order 21-20 allowing for the re-opening of parks, recreational facilities, marinas, boat launches, and related services, and golf courses under certain circumstances and conditions (the "County Order"); and

WHEREAS, the City will be abiding by the conditions set forth in the County Order, however, under its Home Rule power and express language in the County Order, the City retains control over when and how these areas re-open and may impose stricter standards within the City; and

WHEREAS, particular City parks, golf courses, and tennis facilities will open at the discretion of the City Manager; and

WHEREAS, the City wishes to impose stricter standards and provide for code enforcement penalties as an enforcement tool.

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to the Declaration and recent Miami-Dade County Emergency Orders and any further orders that may be issued to protect the health, safety and welfare of the City of Coral Gables. I, as Mayor of the City of Coral Gables, and pursuant to the authority granted to me by Section 252.38(3)(a), Florida Statutes, Section 6 of the City Charter, and Section 27-2(c)(3) of the City Code, and in addition to previously ordered emergency measures declared by myself and the City Manager, hereby direct and declare the following additional emergency measures, effective as detailed below (the "Order"):

Parks:

All standards and requirements that apply to parks pursuant to the County Order, shall apply to all City parks that re-open. In addition, the following shall apply to City parks.

- Certain City parks will re-open effective Friday, May 1, 2020 at 8 a.m.
 - Hours of operations for City parks that re-open are 8 a.m. – 6 p.m., Monday through Sunday.
 - Certain City parks may offer "Senior Exclusive Hours" on Tuesdays and Thursdays 7 a.m. - 8 a.m.
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- All basketball courts shall remain closed.
- No “sports skills practice,” as described in the County Order, shall be allowed.
- Use of all water fountains shall be prohibited.

Golf Courses and Tennis Facilities:

All standards and requirements that apply to golf courses and tennis facilities under the County Order shall apply to any golf course and tennis facility in the City that re-opens. In addition, the following will apply to golf courses and tennis facilities:

- Golf courses and tennis facilities within the City may re-open effective Wednesday, April 29, 2020 at 8 a.m.
- Certain City-operated golf courses and tennis facilities may offer “Senior Exclusive Hours” on Tuesdays and Thursdays 7 a.m. - 8 a.m.
- No use of personal golf carts shall be permitted at any golf course within the City.
- At Granada Golf Course, no golf cart rentals shall be permitted.
- At Granada Golf Course, no purchase of supplies from the pro-shop shall be permitted; the pro-shop shall only be open to take payment for play.
- At Granada Golf Course and City-operated tennis facilities, play is by reservation only.
- At Granada Golf Course, all practice areas shall remain closed (specifically practice greens and chipping areas).
- At Granada Golf Course, use is only permitted by City residents or members of the course.
- Use of all water fountains shall be prohibited.

Enforcement:

Violations of this order shall be enforced as follows:

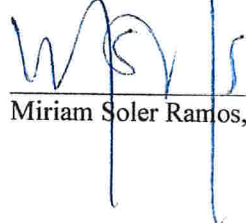
1. Verbal warning
2. Written warning
3. Code Enforcement citation of \$100
4. Arrest

This Order is in addition to and supplements the City’s emergency measures and directives and any and all actions taken by the City Manager in accordance with the Manager’s authority. All requirements of the City’s Code and emergency orders and directives, Miami-Dade County Emergency Orders, and State of Florida Executive Orders shall be strictly adhered to at all times.

THE EMERGENCY MEASURES THAT HAVE BEEN DIRECTED AND ORDERED ABOVE SHALL BE EFFECTIVE AS SPECIFIED ABOVE UNTIL RESCINDED BY THE MAYOR.

C: City Manager
 City Attorney
 City Clerk
 ACM
 Directors

Approved as to form & legal sufficiency:



 Miriam Soler Ramos, City Attorney