



**LOCAL DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY  
CITY OF LIGHTHOUSE POINT, FLORIDA  
MAYOR GLENN TROAST**

**ORDER 20-06**

**WHEREAS**, Novel Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) is a severe acute respiratory illness that can spread among humans through respiratory transmission and presents with symptoms similar to those of influenza; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 2, 2020, Governor DeSantis issued Executive Order 20-51, directing the Florida Department of Health to issue a Public Health Emergency; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 9, 2020, Governor DeSantis issued Executive Order 20-52, declaring a state of emergency for the State of Florida for sixty days unless extended; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 16, 2020, the White House issued guidelines recommending the avoidance of gatherings of 10 people or more; and

**WHEREAS**, on April 1, 2020, Governor DeSantis issued Executive Orders 20-91 and 20-92, which, among other things, ordered residents of the State of Florida to be Safer at Home and redefined Essential Services, but also highlighted participation in recreational activities, consistent with social distancing; and,

**WHEREAS**, on April 15, 2020, Governor DeSantis appointed the Re-Open Florida Task Force, which is charged with developing a plan for safely reopening the state of Florida; and,

**WHEREAS**, on April 16, 2020, President Donald J Trump issued the White House Guidelines for Opening America Again, which included a phased approach based upon advice of public health experts, to help state and local officials assess re-opening certain aspects of the economy and uses; and,

**WHEREAS**, information and data from public health officials suggest that certain recreational and outdoor activities may be able to resume operations with appropriate conditions and guidelines and subject to social distancing requirements; and,

**WHEREAS**, on April 28, 2020, I issued Order 20-05 regarding certain outdoor recreational and outdoor activities in the City; and,

**WHEREAS**, on May 14, 2020, Governor DeSantis issued Executive Order 20-122, permitting Broward County to participate in Phase 1 of the re-opening, and Broward County issued Emergency Order 20-10 to implement the Phase 1 re-opening in Broward County; and,

**WHEREAS**, this Order is issued in order to facilitate the implementation of the Phase 1 re-opening in the City of Lighthouse Point consistent with Executive Order 20-122 and Broward County Emergency Order 20-10.

**NOW THEREFORE, I, GLENN TROAST, THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF LIGHTHOUSE POINT, FLORIDA, HEREBY PROCLAIM AND DECLARE:**

**SECTION 1.** This Order is issued pursuant to the authority of State Emergency Management Act, Sections 252.18-252.60, Florida Statutes, and Section 2-34 of the City of Lighthouse Point Code of Ordinances. This Order is supplemental to and in addition to any Executive Orders that may be issued by county, state and federal authorities that may be applicable to the City. This Order amends the March 20, 2020, Local Declaration of Emergency (Amended), Lighthouse Point Emergency Order 20-02 issued on March 26, 2020, and Lighthouse Point Emergency Order 20-05 issued April 28, 2020, which remain in full force and effect except as amended herein or as may be inconsistent with this Order.

**SECTION 2. Outdoor Seating at Restaurants.** Temporary additional outdoor seating for restaurants, beyond the current limitations of the City's Code, will be permitted for a period of up to sixty (60) days from the effective date of this order, as approved by the City Administration, subject to the following:

- a. The owners of the building or shopping center in which the restaurant is located must submit the written request for additional outdoor seating to the City.
- b. All requests must be sent to the City via email to [joh@lighthousepoint.com](mailto:joh@lighthousepoint.com).
- c. The request must include:
  - a. a scales-rendering of the proposed area for additional outdoor seating;
  - b. if the proposed area would include areas currently used for parking or vehicular traffic, then include:
    - i. information showing the location and number of parking spaces to be temporarily used;
    - ii. information on how customers and employees will be physically protected from vehicle traffic;
    - iii. and, if alternate traffic patterns are being proposed, a diagram of the proposed new pattern;
    - iv. statement that there will be adequate parking for the uses on the property
- d. The requestor must permit inspections of the additional outdoor seating areas by the City's Police, Fire and Building Departments.
- e. The restaurant must strictly comply with Executive Orders issued by Governor Ron DeSantis, Emergency Orders issued by Broward County, and any guidelines or requirements of state licensing agencies from which the restaurant has received any licenses or permits.
- f. Any approvals by the City will be in writing. The City Administration may place reasonable conditions on any approval in order to protect the safety and welfare of customers and employees of the restaurant and adjoining uses on the property.
- g. Copies of the City approval must be posted on premises at all times when the restaurant is open for customers.
- h. The Mayor or City Administrator may immediately withdraw any approvals under this Order should the restaurant violate any of the terms of any applicable orders, regulations of state agencies, or conditions of City approval.

- i. To implement these emergency temporary actions, any City ordinances relating to a limit on outdoor seating capacity, required parking, or other site plan requirements for outdoor seating is waived as applied to requests for temporary outdoor seating areas sent to the City pursuant to this Order.
- j. Temporary additional outdoor seating shall not expand any area previously approved by the City to permit the presence of dogs
- k. Any approved outdoor seating may remain in use for the duration of the City's approval.
- l. Upon the expiration of a City approval, the applicant must return the outdoor areas to their former state.

**SECTION 3. Banner Signs.** The temporary suspension of enforcement of the prohibition of certain signs remains in place. Each business legally operating under the Governor's Executive Orders and the County Orders within the City's nonresidential zoning districts are permitted one (1) banner sign or "feather" sign of no more than twelve (12) square feet, and one (1) sandwich board or sidewalk sign with an area of no more than six (6) square feet on each face. These signs are not permitted in any right-of-way and may not be attached to any public or utility infrastructure (such as street lights and traffic light posts).

**SECTION 4. Tennis and Similar Racquet Sports.** Tennis and similar racquet sport facilities may reopen, in compliance with the attached guidelines.

**SECTION 5. City Library.** The City's Library shall remain closed to the public until further notice and may reopen upon the discretion of the Library Director.

**SECTION 6. City Parks.** The use of City Parks shall be as set forth in Order 20-05, as follows:

- A. Dan Witt Park shall remain closed until further notice. Dan Witt Park may be reopened at a future date upon approval of the City Administrator or Mayor without necessity of a subsequent order.
- B. DeGroff Park shall be open for passive uses only. The beach area shall remain closed and may reopen upon the discretion of the Recreation Director.
- C. Exchange Club Park shall remain closed until further notice.
- D. Frank McDonough Park shall open for passive use only. The playgrounds, basketball courts and fitness areas shall remain closed until further notice.
- E. All bike racks, water fountains and bathrooms at City Parks shall remain closed.

**SECTION 7. Residential Pools.** Use of Residential pools shall be permitted pursuant to Broward County Emergency Orders as may be amended from time to time.

**SECTION 8. Boating and Marine Activities.** Boating and marine activities pursuant to Broward County Emergency Orders as may be issued, amended and/or supplemented from time to time.

**SECTION 9. Repeal of Safer at Home Order 20-03.** Safer at Home Order 20-03 is repealed; provided that such shall have no effect on any such restrictions or requirements in Governor Executive Orders and Broward County Emergency Orders that are applicable within the City.

**SECTION 10. Enforcement.** This Order may be enforced by any law enforcement officer of the City of Lighthouse Point, or any officer or employee with any agency with jurisdiction over matters covered by this Order.

**SECTION 11. Filing with City Clerk.** This Order shall be filed promptly with the City Clerk and shall be given prompt and general publicity.

**SECTION 12. Purpose.** This Order is given because of the propensity of the virus to spread person to person and also because the virus physically is causing property damage due to its proclivity to attach to surfaces for prolonged periods of time.

**SECTION 13. Conflict.** Any provision of Local Declaration of Emergency or this Order that conflicts with any state or federal law or constitutional provision, or is in conflict with or is superseded by any current or subsequently issued Presidential or Gubernatorial Executive Orders or County Emergency Orders, shall be deemed inapplicable and deemed severed from this Order with the remainder of this Order and the Local Declaration of Emergency remaining intact and in full force and effect.

**SECTION 14. Duration.** This Order shall take effect upon signature of the Mayor at the time and on the date below, and shall be in effect for as long as the State of Florida State of Emergency is in effect, unless modified or earlier terminated.

**SECTION 15. Effective Date.** This Emergency Order is effective as of 12:01 am on May 18, 2020.

**SO DECLARED AND ORDERED THIS 15<sup>th</sup> DAY OF MAY 2020.**



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Mayor Glenn Troast  
City of Lighthouse Point, Florida  
Date: May 15, 2020

**ATTEST:**

  
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Jennifer Oh, City Clerk

CC: City Commission  
City Administrator  
Department Heads  
City Attorney



ATTACHMENT 1

USE OF RACQUET SPORTS COURTS

### **Procedures for Use of Tennis and Other Racquet Sports Courts**

- All CDC guidelines, including social distancing, must be strictly enforced.
- All use must be limited to advance reservations. Players are prohibited from using courts without reservation.
- Players may not arrive at the courts more than 15 minutes prior to their reservation time.
- Players must wear masks at all times when not on a court.
- Courts will maintain no more than 50% of capacity with staggered use of every other court.
- Maintain 6 foot physical distancing.
- No congregating on the court or sidelines is permitted.
- Players must leave the courts and adjacent areas immediately after completing play.
- Players are encouraged to bring their own hand sanitizer.
- If restrooms are open, they must be cleaned throughout the day.
- Employees must wear face coverings at all times when interacting with persons other than other employees. Employees should also use gloves when cleaning surfaces, and handling objects and forms of payment such as cash, credit cards and chits.
- Areas of courts commonly touched by players, such as entrance gates and benches, should be sanitized frequently.
- All courts and associated facilities must be secured and locked when not open for use.
- No league play is allowed.
- No group lessons, including mixers, round robins, live ball, or family tennis nights.
- Private lessons only, no more than two participants. Pros and participants must wear face coverings when within 6 foot of each other, even on a court.
- Only employees may pick up balls during and at the conclusion of a lesson. Tubes and hoppers will be disinfected after each lesson.
- No demo rackets should be made available to members of a club or tennis center.

These requirements may be relaxed by the Mayor without the need for further emergency orders.