

## OFFICE OF THE MANAGER EMERGENCY ORDER No. 20-08

**WHEREAS:** based on the imminent threat to the life, health and wellbeing of our residents imposed by the novel, COVID-19 virus, and pursuant to powers provided in Florida Statutes § 252.38 and the Town of Miami Lakes Code, on March 12, 2020, the Town of Miami Lakes (the "Town") declared a State of Emergency to be in existence; and

**WHEREAS:** the novel and highly contagious COVID-19 virus possess a serious threat to the health and welfare of Town residents, business owners and guests; and

**WHEREAS:** in order to truncate the spread of COVID-19, on March 18, 2020. Miami-Dade County passed Emergency Order 06-20, closing off parks, marinas, basket-ball courts, golf and tennis facilities; and

**WHEREAS:** since March 18, 2020, the State, County and Town have promulgated orders and adopted regulations aimed at enforcing social distancing by requiring residents to stay at home, imposing the closure of non-essential businesses and the application of a temporary curfew; and

**WHEREAS:** the past several weeks has seen a slowdown in the number of COVID-19 in Miami-Dade County, including the Town; and

**WHEREAS:** on April 27, 2020, Miami-Dade County issued Order 21-20, relaxing Order 06-20 and allowing the re-opening of parks, marinas, basket-ball courts, golf and tennis facilities; and

**WHEREAS:** in order to ensure the safety and welfare of Town residents it is important that certain facilities remain closed and that certain additional restrictions be imposed; and

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**THEREFORE**: as Town Manager of the Town of Miami Lakes, I, Edward Pidermann pursuant to Emergency Management Powers granted under Florida Statutes §252.38, Section 8.3 of the Town Charter and Section 8B-5 of Miami-Dade County Code, adopt the following rules in order to allow the following Town facilities to re-open subject to the following restrictions:

## **WATERWAYS & GOLF COURSES:**

Waterways & Golf Courses in the Town of Miami Lakes shall abide by the rules, regulations and limits, as outlined in Miami Dade County Emergency Order 21-20

## PARKS:

Picnic Park West, Royal Oaks Park, and Optimist Park will be open from Sunrise to Sunset, for limited activities use by individuals and families, as permitted by and following current CDC and State Health Department guidelines:

- No large groups will be allowed in parks; individuals must maintain social distancing in accordance with CDC/Health Department guidelines, except that family members residing in the same dwelling are exempt from social distancing measures with respect to other such family members. Family is considered to be as defined in Miami-Dade County Emergency Order 21-20.
- Persons engaged in any unauthorized activity and/or who are not observing social distancing may be required to leave the park or be subject to the penalties proscribed in section 8B-12 of the Code of Miami-Dade County.
- The following limited active uses are allowed: walking, jogging, cycling where permitted, and sports skills practice by individuals or between family members. Sports skills practices includes, but is not limited to, activities such as dribbling a soccer ball, family members throwing a ball, or similar activities. Parks staff may limit the number of persons using trails and paths to ensure social distancing is maintained, and may limit the time any person spends on such trail or path to ensure access to such facilities to other patrons.
- No organized, competitive play on courts and fields **EXCEPT tennis singles play may be** allowed, with a maximum of two (2) individuals allowed per court.
- Basketball courts shall remain closed.
- All passive uses of parks are allowed provided social distancing is maintained, EXCEPT
  table games, picnics, and parties are not allowed. No portable furniture, blankets, picnic tables, tents, or grills permitted.
- Trails and walkways will be one way (directional), face masks or face coverings must be worn in accordance with Emergency Order 20-20.
- Open restrooms with attendants to monitor use; restrooms will receive frequent cleaning by contracted janitorial services.
- Police and Park staff will ensure compliance with these rules and CDC/health department social

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- distancing guidelines
- Vehicle parking capacity in parks may be limited, as necessary, to adhere to CDC social distancing guidelines

Amenities that will not be accessible include:

- Bike racks, basketball courts, and athletic fields **EXCEPT for sports skills practice by** individuals or between family members
- Playgrounds & exercise stations
- Dog parks, recreation buildings, and pavilions
- All sports field lighting will remain off
- Youth Center Park East and all Pocket Parks will remain closed

IN WITNESS WHEREOF. I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the Town of Miami Lakes to be affixed this day of April at p.m./a.m (EST).

ATTEST:

Edward Pidermann, Town Manager

GINA INGUANZO, Town Clerk

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