

For Immediate Release March 20, 2020 POC: Eddie Treviño, Jr. (956) 544-0830

COVID-19 SECOND SUPPLEMENTAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ORDERS & RECOMMENDATION

In conjunction with the National Emergency Declaration issued by President Trump and Governor Abbott's Declaration of Disaster of March 13, 2020, and out of an abundance of caution to limit or reduce the spread of COVID-19 to Cameron County, I hereby issue the following Second Supplemental Emergency Management Order & Recommendation in my capacity as Cameron County Judge with the advice and consent of Commissioners Court:

The following emergency orders are hereby established for all of Cameron County, Texas effective Sunday, March 22, 2020 at 12:00 a.m, for the duration of the above mentioned declaration:

TRAVEL RESTRICTIONS/MOVEMENT OF PEOPLE

• A person shall not remain or travel upon any public or private property including highways, roads, and streets, in Cameron County between the hours of 12:00 midnight to 5:00 a.m.:

This shall not apply to:

- (a) A person authorized by the Emergency Management Director to assist in the production of the health, safety, or welfare of the public;
- (b) Law Enforcement and other first responders;
- (c) A person going to or from work on an essential function for their government, school, medical, nursing, or business entity;
- (d) A person going to a pharmacy, hospital, medical clinic, gas station for fuel or grocery store with no deviations; or
- (e) A person who remains or travels upon private property which is owned by him or upon which the person has been invited.

OCCUPANCY OF PREMISES

- Cameron County Parks and Beach access points will continue to be closed.
- Gatherings throughout the County, in both public and private locations shall be limited to no more than ten people pursuant to CDC guidelines.

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- All Restaurants and food trucks will be allowed to remain open for business only for takeout or delivery until 10 p.m. Restaurants that have a mixed beverage license may sell beer, wine, and mixed beverages with food for take-out or delivery only. Dining on premises is prohibited.
- Bars that serve food and have a mixed beverage license will be allowed to remain open for business only for take-out or delivery and may sell beer, wine, and mixed beverages with food up to but no later than 10 p.m. Dining on premises is prohibited.
- Hotels are required to completely sanitize all touch surfaces before check in and in individual rooms.
- All businesses, churches, and places of worship will limit groups to 10 persons or less and will institute social distancing of a minimum space of 6 feet apart, except grocery stores, pharmacies, hospitals, clinics, and government agencies.
- Gas Stations must sanitize the self-service portions of the equipment at a minimum every hour, preferably after each service.
- Child and adult day care centers shall adhere to State Department of Health Services, Governor Abbott's Order, and CDC Rules and Guidelines.

SHELTER IN PLACE

I am also recommending individuals shelter in place for a minimum of 14 days.

The above detailed recommendation may become mandatory depending on further developments and further Emergency Management Orders.

PENALTIES

A person that fails to comply with this Order may be assessed a fine not to exceed \$1,000 per violation or confinement in jail for a term not to exceed 180 days in jail. This does not limit or curtail additional civil or criminal penalties under the Texas Health and Safety Code or the Texas Penal Code.

This supplement is in addition to and not in place of earlier orders. In the event of conflict between the orders, this order will control. This order shall remain in effect for seven days until March 27, 2020 but may be extended by further emergency order.

Issued this 20th Day of March, 2020.

Eddie Treviño, Jr.

Cameron County Judge

<u>3/20/2020</u> 3:40 pm Date Time