

CITY OF UTQIAGVIK
PROCLAMATION OF ADDITIONAL EMERGENCY ORDER E0-02
IN RESPONSE TO COVID-19

ISSUED BY THE MAYOR OF CITY OF UTQIAGVIK (“CITY”) PURSUANT TO CITY OF UTQIAGVIK ORDINANCE 2.12.100.

The COVID-19 pandemic has generated a public health emergency that threatens to overwhelm the health system of the entire State of Alaska. Furthermore, the City has limited health resources and we must take steps to slow and contain the threat; such steps require coordinated community action. This order is put forward to preserve the health and safety of our community.

PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY GRANTED TO ME BY THE CITY COUNCIL UNDER ORDINANCE #2-2020, I HEREBY PROCLAIM THE FOLLOWING EMERGENCY REGULATIONS TO BE EFFECTIVE AS OF 5:00 P.M. ON MONDAY, MARCH 23, 2020, TO PRESERVE LIFE IN AND ADJACENT TO THE CITY. THE FOLLOWING EMERGENCY REGULATIONS HAVE THE POWER OF LAW, SHALL REMAIN IN EFFECT UNTIL 11:59 P.M. ON FRIDAY, APRIL 3, 2020, AND SHALL SUPERSEDE ALL CONFLICTING LAWS DURING THE EXISTENCE OF THIS EMERGENCY.

1. All residents of the City shall hunker down and shelter in place as much as possible, in order to minimize any spread of COVID-19.
2. Residents should stay home and work from home as much as possible, except to work certain Critical Jobs, listed below; to buy, sell, or deliver groceries or other critical goods; to receive or provide health care; and to get fresh air without coming within 6 feet of others.
3. Residents shall conduct business via telephone or electronic communications as much as possible.
4. On the limited occasions when individuals leave their home, they should maintain social distancing of at least 6 feet from any person outside their household whenever possible and practice recommended hygiene.
5. It is strongly recommended, in accordance with the Center for Disease Control guidance, that certain residents should take even greater precaution: Anyone particularly at-risk from COVID-19 should reduce exposure by staying home, not physically going to work, and not doing their own shopping, if possible. These include any individuals 60 years of age and older, and individuals with a serious underlying medical condition. Members of households with these individuals should also implement these more stringent guidelines.
6. If you are sick or suspect you may have the COVID-19 virus, and have a fever, cough or difficulty breathing, call your healthcare provider. Help prevent the disease from spreading to people in your home and our community.

7. Individuals who have travelled into the City from any other city (both in and outside of Alaska) are strongly urged to quarantine in their homes for a period of 14-days.
8. Residents shall follow all health mandates issued by Governor Dunleavy, the Alaska Department of Health and Human Services (DHSS), and the U.S. Center for Disease Control (CDC).
9. Critical Jobs include:
 - a. Healthcare Operations, including hospitals, clinics, dentist, pharmacies, mental health providers, and other healthcare facilities. Healthcare Operations also includes veterinary services care and healthcare services provided to animals. Healthcare Operations does not include fitness and exercise gyms and similar facilities. To preserve the City's limited resources, all Healthcare Operators shall postpone appointments that are not urgent whenever possible, and consider alternatives to face-to-face;
 - b. Business providing any services or performing any work necessary to the operations and maintenance of "Critical Infrastructure," including, but not limited to, the airport, public works construction, water, sewer, gas, electrical, oil production, roads and highways, telecommunication systems, waste collection and removal, and shipping companies;
 - c. First responders, emergency management personnel, emergency dispatchers, court personnel, and law enforcement personnel;
 - d. Critical Government Functions, meaning all services needed to ensure the continuing operation of government agencies. Employees should follow the direction of their employer;
 - e. Grocery stores, supermarkets, food banks, convenience stores, and any establishments engaged in the retail sale of food or consumer products. Furthermore, the City's alcoholic beverage delivery site (Title 8.15 of the Code) shall remain open by appointment. Any residents seeking to pick up alcohol must call (907) 852-3788 to make an appointment;
 - f. Newspapers, radio, and other media services;
 - g. Gas stations and auto-repair shops;
 - h. Banks, mortgage companies, and related financial institutions;
 - i. Businesses providing mailing services;
 - j. Businesses that supply other critical businesses with the support and supplies necessary to operate or that ship or deliver groceries or food to residents.
 - k. Hotels, residential facilities, and shelters, including home-based care; and

1. Restaurants and other facilities that prepare and serve food and beverages, but only under carry-out provisions in accordance with Emergency Order EO-01.

10. All entertainment facilities within the City shall be closed to the public, including theaters, gyms, gaming locations and bingo halls, both those owned by the City and those privately owned.

DATED this 22nd day of March, 2020.



Fannie Mitiktaun Suvlu, Mayor