

Office of the Mayor  
City of Marietta, Oklahoma  
**Proclamation**

WHEREAS, Chapter 26, Section 26-26 *et al.* of the Marietta Code of Ordinances and Title 63 Section 683.3 *et al.* of the Oklahoma Statutes allows the Mayor of the City of Marietta to proclaim a civil emergency when a natural disaster, which results in the death or injury of persons to such an extent that extraordinary measures must be taken to protect the public health, safety, and welfare, exists; and

WHEREAS, a respiratory disease caused by a novel coronavirus ("COVID-19") was first detected in China and has now been detected in more than 100 locations internationally, including the United States; and

WHEREAS, the World Health Organization characterized COVID-19 as a pandemic on March 11, 2020; and

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, the President of the United States declared COVID-19 a national emergency and ordered each state to set up emergency operations centers and ordered hospitals to activate their emergency preparedness plans; and

WHEREAS, as of March 18, 2020, the Center for Disease Control and Prevention ("CDC") had identified 10,442 confirmed cases of COVID-19 in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, Guam and the US Virgin Islands, and 150 deaths as a result of the COVID-19 virus in the United States; and

WHEREAS, of the 10,442 confirmed cases of COVID-19 in the United States, only 290 have been identified as being travel-related, meaning community transmission is responsible for much of the spread of COVID-19 in the United States; and

WHEREAS, as of March 19, 2020, the Oklahoma State Health Department has confirmed 44 cases of COVID-19 in 14 Oklahoma counties and reported 1 death attributed to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, although there are no reported cases of COVID-19 in Marietta at this time, because of the potential for rapid community spread, immediate attention is required to protect public health, reduce further damage, ensure public safety and render emergency relief; and

WHEREAS, I, Kimberly Fraire, Mayor of the City of Marietta, Oklahoma, do find that the aforementioned conditions constitute a threat to the safety and welfare of the City, and create a civil emergency situation within the meaning of Chapter 26, Section 26-26 *et al.* and scope of Chapter 70, Sections 70-400 to 7-407 of the Marietta Code of Ordinances and Title 63 Section 683.3 *et al.* of the Oklahoma Statutes.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, KIMBERLY FRAIRE, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF MARIETTA, OKLAHOMA, ACTING UNDER THE POWER VESTED IN ME DO HEREBY DECLARE AND PROCLAIM:

SECTION ONE: A state of emergency exists within the City of Marietta; and

SECTION TWO: This declaration shall become effective at 5:00 p.m. on Friday, March 20, 2020.

SECTION THREE: This declaration shall remain in effect within the City of Marietta until 6:00 p.m. on April 14, 2020, unless terminated earlier by further proclamation.

SECTION FOUR: The Love County Library, with said facility being owned by the City of Marietta, shall be closed and all programming and/or events scheduled at said location shall be postponed and/or cancelled until the expiration of this emergency declaration.

SECTION FIVE: Access will be limited to City facilities, including City Hall, Police Department, and Sanitation Transfer Station. The public is encouraged to conduct business with the City by phone at (580) 276-5569, by email at support@mariettaok.city, or on Facebook@ at @mariettaok.city.

SECTION FIVE: Meetings of all City of Marietta boards and commissions are hereby postponed and/or cancelled until the expiration of this emergency declaration. All meetings of the Marietta City Council are exempt from this cancellation requirement. Council meetings will be conducted via video conferencing with steps taken to ensure the public has an opportunity to participate in meeting proceedings.

SECTION SIX: Marietta Municipal Court dockets will be suspended other than by teleconference or videoconference where required. No further failure to appear warrants will be issued or served.

SECTION SEVEN: City of Marietta parks and cemeteries will remain open for individual access, however all public and private gatherings, meetings and events attended by fifty (50) or more people are hereby prohibited.

SECTION EIGHT: Any pending permit is hereby revoked, and no new permit shall be issued for any public or private event on any City street, sidewalk, facility, park, or property until the expiration of this emergency declaration.

SECTION NINE: Marietta citizens and visitors should follow the President's Coronavirus Guidelines, more particularly described as:

1. Listen to and follow the directions of federal, state, and local authorities.
2. If you feel sick, stay home and contact your medical provider. Do not go to work.
3. If your children are sick, stay home and contact your medical provider.
4. If someone in your household has tested positive for COVID-19, keep the entire household at home and contact your medical provider.
5. If you are a person with a serious underlying health condition that can put you at an increased risk, stay home and away from other people.
6. If you are an older person, stay home and away from other people.
7. Work or engage in schooling from home, whenever possible. If you are in a critical infrastructure industry, as defined by the Department of Homeland Security, such as healthcare services and pharmaceutical and food supply, you have a special responsibility

to maintain your work schedule. You and your employers should follow Center for Disease Control guidance to protect your health at work.

8. Avoid social gatherings in groups of more than 10 people.
9. Avoid eating or drinking at bars, restaurants, and food courts and use drive-thru, pickup, or delivery options.
10. Avoid discretionary travel, shopping trips, and social visits.
11. Do not visit nursing homes or retirement or long-term facilities unless to provide critical assistance.
12. Practice good hygiene and wash your hands, especially after touching any frequently used item or surface, avoid touching your face, sneeze or cough into a tissue, or inside of your elbow, and disinfect frequently used items and surfaces as much as possible.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the City of Marietta, Oklahoma, to be affixed this 20<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2020.

BY THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF MARIETTA:



KIMBERLY FRAIRE

IN AGREEMENT:



KERMIT MCKINNEY, COUNCIL PRESIDENT

ATTEST:



DOTTIE GWIN, CITY CLERK

