



EXECUTIVE ORDER OF THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF SHERMAN

WHEREAS, President Donald Trump and Governor Greg Abbott have declared the COVID-19 outbreak a national emergency and statewide disaster that poses an imminent threat to all individuals, and

WHEREAS, on March 23, 2020 the Mayor of the City of Sherman issued a Declaration of Public Health Disaster, and

WHEREAS, on March 30, 2020 the City Council of the City of Sherman indefinitely extended the period of Declaration of Public Health Disaster, and

WHEREAS, in accordance with §418 of the Texas Government Code the Mayor is authorized to take action to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the public, and

WHEREAS, on March 31, 2020 Governor Greg Abbott issued Executive Order GA-14 (EO GA-14) providing that every person in Texas shall, except where necessary to provide or obtain essential services, minimize social gatherings and minimize in-person contact with people who are not in the same household, and

WHEREAS, "essential services" are defined by the US Department of Homeland Security in its Guidance on the Essential Critical Infrastructure Workforce, Version 2.0, plus religious services conducted in churches, congregations, and houses of worship, and other essential services may be added to this list with the approval of the Texas Division of Emergency Management (TDEM), and

WHEREAS, the City Sherman has at least one person who has contracted the COVID-19 virus, and

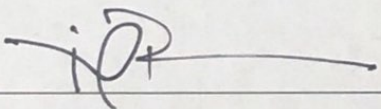
WHEREAS, the City of Sherman desires for all citizens and businesses to comply with the EO GA-14, and to use whatever means necessary to protect the health of their families and others by complying with EO GA-14 by taking immediate and appropriate measures to keep adequate social distances, avoid contact with people who are sick or are at higher risk of infection, stay at home whenever possible, and clean and disinfect hands and frequently touched objects regularly;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED by the Mayor of the City of Sherman, Texas:

1. Every person in Sherman shall, except where necessary to provide or obtain essential services, minimize social gatherings and minimize in-person contact with people who are not in the same household.
2. Essential services are defined by the US Department of Homeland Security in its Guidance on the Essential Critical Infrastructure Workforce, Version 2.0, plus religious services conducted in churches, congregations, and houses of worship. Other essential services may be added to this list with the approval of the Texas Division of Emergency Management (TDEM), and TDEM shall maintain an online list of essential services, as specified in EO GA-14, the list of which can be found at www.tdem.texas.gov/essentialservices/.

3. In providing or obtaining essential services, people and businesses should follow the Guidelines from the President and the CDC by practicing good hygiene, environmental cleanliness, and sanitation, implementing social distancing, and working from home if possible.
4. The City of Sherman has adopted, and all citizens shall abide by, the guidance established by EO GA-14, and the City of Sherman may use all reasonable and necessary legal means to ensure compliance with these Orders. Details of EO GA-14 can be found at [https://gov.texas.gov/uploads/files/press/EO-GA-14 Statewide Essential Service and Activity COVID-19 IMAGE 03-31-2020.pdf](https://gov.texas.gov/uploads/files/press/EO-GA-14%20Statewide%20Essential%20Service%20and%20Activity%20COVID-19%20IMAGE%2003-31-2020.pdf)
5. All businesses providing essential services should make every effort to ensure their customers are adhering to social distancing measures implemented by Federal and State officials. Businesses are encouraged to consider additional measures, including but not limited to,
 - a. Limiting the number of customers in a store at one time
 - b. Setting aside time for shopping by senior citizens or others who are shopping for those who are in a high-risk category for COVID-19
 - c. Providing for on-line ordering and/or for "curbside" pickup services
 - d. Encouraging use of delivery services
6. For the next 60 days, evictions of residential and commercial tenants are prohibited, provided that those evictions are related to COVID-19.
7. This Order supplements but does not replace the Order of the City Council passed on March 30, 2020. That order remains in full effect.

ORDERED this 3RD day of April, 2020



David Plyler
Mayor
City of Sherman, Texas