



**CITY OF GALLATIN
EXECUTIVE ORDER
BY THE MAYOR**

No. 2020-4

AN ORDER SUSPENDING PERMITS FOR DOOR-TO-DOOR AND DWELLING-TO-DWELLING SALES AND SOLICITATIONS ISSUED PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 11, ARTICLE V OF THE GALLATIN MUNICIPAL CODE DUE TO COVID-19

March 31, 2020

WHEREAS, Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) is a respiratory disease caused by the SARS-Co V-2 virus that can result in mild or severe symptoms, including fever, cough, and shortness of breath, and can lead to serious illness or death, particularly in the case of older adults and persons with serious chronic medical conditions; and

WHEREAS, COVID-19 is frequently spread through close contact between persons and respiratory transmission; and

WHEREAS, COVID-19 was first reported in Wuhan City, Hubei Province, China, and traced back to a patient in November 2019 and has since spread throughout the world; and

WHEREAS, on January 31, 2020, the United States Secretary of Health and Human Services declared a public health emergency to aid the nation's healthcare community in responding to the COVID-19 outbreak; and

WHEREAS, on March 4, 2020, the first case of COVID-19 in the State of Tennessee was identified; and

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization declared the COVID-19 outbreak a global pandemic; and

WHEREAS, on March 12, 2020, pursuant to the authority granted by Tenn. Code Ann. § 58-2-107, the Governor of Tennessee, Bill Lee, issued Executive Order No. 14, declaring a state of emergency to facilitate the response to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, the President of the United States, Donald J. Trump, declared a national state of emergency with respect to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on March 17, 2020, I, Paige Brown, Mayor of the City of Gallatin, declared and proclaimed a local state of emergency within the City of Gallatin pursuant to Tennessee Code Annotated §§ 38-9-101(2), 38-9-104, 58-8-104 and 58-2-110 and Gallatin Municipal Code § 7-27 in response to the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, on March 23, 2020 County Mayor Anthony Holt issued a Safer at Home Declaration for Sumner County to protect the public health of the citizens of Sumner County, to mitigate the impact of COVID-19, to bend the curve, and to disrupt the spread of the virus, with the goal of saving lives and reducing strain on regional healthcare resources as much as possible; and

WHEREAS, on March 24, 2020, I, Paige Brown, Mayor of the City of Gallatin, extended the local state of emergency within the City of Gallatin and adopted Sumner County's Safer at Home Declaration by Executive Order 2020-3 in response to the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, on March 29, 2020, the President of the United States, Donald J. Trump, extended social distancing guidelines until April 30, 2020; and

WHEREAS, on March 30, 2020, pursuant to the authority granted by Tenn. Code Ann. § 58-2-107, the Governor of Tennessee, Bill Lee, issued Executive Order Nos. 21 and 22, limiting non-essential services and gatherings and urging Tennesseans to stay home unless engaging in essential services to limit exposure and spread of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, as of March 31, 2020, at the time of execution of this Executive Order, there are at least 1,928 confirmed and reported cases of COVID-19 in Tennessee and at least 212 confirmed and reported cases of COVID-19 in Sumner County; and

WHEREAS, the spread and identification of additional cases of COVID-19 in Tennessee, Sumner County and Gallatin is likely to continue, and public health experts anticipate the further spread of COVID-19 throughout the State of Tennessee and the nation, with potentially catastrophic impact on the state's and the nation's health care system; therefore, taking proactive steps to prevent a substantial risk to public health and safety is paramount; and

WHEREAS, the transmission of COVID-19 remains a continuing severe danger to public health; and

WHEREAS Chapter 11, Article V of Gallatin's Municipal Code governs, in part, door-to-door and dwelling to dwelling sales and solicitations; and

WHEREAS, the transmission of COVID-19 is spread person-to person; social distancing is required to combat the spread of the virus; Gallatin citizens are under local, county, and state safer at home orders; and door-to-door and dwelling-to-dwelling sales and solicitations do not fit within the guidelines established by the CDC nor the current local, county and state orders and could risk the health and safety of our citizens during this pandemic; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of this Emergency Executive Order No. 2020-4 is to suspend all door-to-door and dwelling-to-dwelling sales and solicitations during this pandemic.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Paige Brown, the Mayor of the City of Gallatin, by virtue of the power vested in me under the City's Municipal Code § 7-27, City of Gallatin Resolution No. R2003-19, and other applicable law, hereby ORDER as follows:

1. Effective immediately all permits for door-to-door or dwelling-to-dwelling sales and solicitations currently issued, if any, under the City's Municipal Code Chapter 11, Article V shall be revoked, and the Recorder shall not issue any further permits for door-to-door or dwelling-to-dwelling sales and solicitations.

2. There shall be no door-to-door or dwelling-to-dwelling sales or solicitations in the City of Gallatin to protect the health and safety of all Gallatin citizens.

3. This Order shall remain in effect until further Executive Order of the Mayor.

ORDERED this 31st day of March 2020.

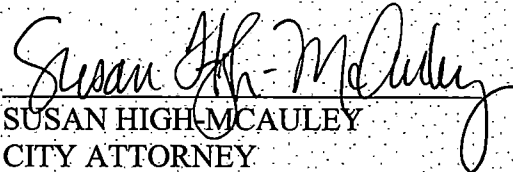

MAYOR RAIGE BROWN

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