

**CITY OF PLAINVIEW, TEXAS
DECLARATION OF LOCAL DISASTER - MAYORAL ORDER NO. 1**

CLARIFICATION

WHEREAS, pursuant to Texas Government Code §418.108 and in accordance with the authority granted the Mayor by the City Council in Resolution 20-470, the Mayor issued the Declaration of Local Disaster – Mayoral Order No. 1 on March 31, 2020, taking additional steps to respond to, and mitigate the spread of COVID-19 and to protect the health and welfare of the citizens of Plainview and the surrounding area; and

WHEREAS, after issuing Mayoral Order No. 1, on March 31, 2020, the Governor of the State of Texas issued Executive Order GA-14 adding to and superseding Executive Order GA-08, further defining social distancing requirements, essential businesses and services, clarifying religious institutions as essential, affirming the closure of certain businesses, extending school closures until May 4, 2020 and superseding conflicting municipal orders; and

WHEREAS, due to the issuance of Executive Order GA-14, it is necessary to clarify and modify Mayoral Order No. 1 issued on March 31, 2020;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED AND CLARIFIED BY THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF PLAINVIEW, TEXAS:

1. **THAT** Section 3.E. of Mayoral Order No. 1 is hereby deleted and replaced with the following:

E. Religious services conducted in churches, congregations and houses of worship are considered essential. Religious institutions, churches and places of worship, if capable, must conduct their activities including their services from home or through remote audio or video services. In the event, and only in the event religious services cannot be conducted from home or through remote services, religious services may be conducted at the religious institution, church or place of worship but all religious services must be conducted consistent with the Guidelines from the President and the CDC, by practicing good hygiene, environmental cleanliness, and sanitation, and by implementing social distancing to prevent the spread of COVID-19. Religious institutions, churches and places of worship will remain open for the purpose of allowing staff and employees to perform those functions necessary for the production of the remote delivery of religious services or necessary to support online, telephone, email and other services. All staff and employees are required to adhere to federal and CDC guidelines, including affirmative steps to ensure that social distancing of 6 feet is maintained.

2. **THAT** to the extent this Order conflicts with the Governor’s Executive Order GA-14 regarding the regulation of essential business and services, Executive Order GA-14 controls and the Mayor may comport and amend Mayoral Order No. 1 to be consistent with Executive Order GA-14.

3. **THAT** this clarification of Mayoral Order No. 1 shall go into effect immediately upon execution and Mayoral Order No. 1, as clarified, shall continue until 11:59 p.m., Thursday, April 30, 2020 unless renewed, extended, amended or cancelled by the Mayor or City Council of the City of Plainview.

4. **THAT** all terms and conditions of Mayoral Order No. 1 not specifically amended or clarified herein remain in full force and effect and are continued.

ISSUED this the 3rd day of April, 2020.

CITY OF PLAINVIEW, TEXAS



Wendell Dunlap, Mayor

ATTEST:



Belinda Hinojosa, City Secretary