

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-08

AN EMERGENCY RESOLUTION MODIFYING THE MANDATORY ORDERS RELATING TO PUBLIC GATHERINGS CONTAINED IN ORDINANCE NO. 2207.

WHEREAS, the City adopted an ordinance which implemented social distancing guidelines recommended by the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) and the Governor of South Dakota to stop the outbreak of the disease COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, the number of COVID-19 cases in Beadle County has stabilized with a low number of new cases in the last several weeks; and

WHEREAS, there have been no new hospitalizations experienced in the last several weeks as a result of COVID-19

WHEREAS, the purpose of social distancing requirements is to slow the spread of the disease so that the region's health care system is not overwhelmed; and

WHEREAS, the City has been in communication with Huron Regional Medical Center and they have modeling that allows them to make predictions on the impact of certain social distancing regulations on the number of cases in Beadle County and the overall impact on the health care system; and

WHEREAS, based on the low number of active cases in Beadle County, the lack of hospitalizations in the City over the past several weeks, and the available modeling, the Mayor and City Commission have determined that social distancing restrictions can be modified to allow businesses to resume on-site service of customers without causing the number of cases in the City to rise significantly, to the level that it will overwhelm the hospital's capacity if proper procedures are put in place.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City of Huron, that the following regulations be put in place to control the spread of COVID-19 within the City of Huron:

1. Any businesses identified in Paragraphs 1 through 4 of Huron City Ordinance 2207 may reopen to serve patrons on-site pursuant to the conditions established in this resolution.
2. Individuals in high-risk groups are recommended to stay home when possible and take extra precautions.
3. The City and County highly encourages all individuals to continue to follow CDC guidelines and recommended hygiene practices, including engaging in social distancing and wearing masks when outside their homes wherever possible.
4. All businesses within Huron shall observe the following requirements and guidelines to slow the spread of COVID-19:

- a) Unless otherwise noted, all businesses shall be limited to ten (10) customers for smaller establishments (less than 1,000 square feet of customer seating area), or one (1) customer for every 100 square feet of customer area for larger businesses, or 50% of occupancy, whichever is greater.
 - b) Conduct daily employee temperature checks and screen for illness when practical.
 - c) Require social distance spacing while waiting for service or entry into business.
 - d) Encourage customer to use electronic payments rather than cash when possible.
 - e) In an effort to protect employees and patrons alike, businesses should install a Plexiglas or similar divider, where practical, in areas where interaction occurs between staff and customers (ordering, cashier, pickup, etc.).
 - f) Encourage customers to use curbside pickup or drive-through windows.
 - g) Perform a workplace assessment and modify their operation to the extent practical to maintain social distancing among employees.
 - h) Provide employee training on COVID-19 awareness, personal responsibility, and social distancing.
 - i) Require employees to wash hands at regular intervals.
 - j) Hand sanitizer locations should be readily available for public and staff use.
 - k) Implement routine environmental cleaning and disinfection program.
 - l) Actively encourage sick employees to stay home.
 - m) Facilitate remote working when practical for staff members who can complete their work from home.
 - n) Limit access, or close employee common areas (break rooms).
5. The following types of businesses within Huron shall observe the following additional guidelines to slow the spread of COVID-19.
- a) Restaurants, bars, and casinos:
 - i) Establish a minimum six-foot distance between any occupied tables, chairs, and barstools. This provision does not need to be observed between members of the same dining party.
 - ii) Outdoor eating and drinking is permitted in instances where a minimum of 6' social distancing can be maintained. The capacity of such spaces shall be calculated separately and not included in the calculation of allowable indoor customers.
 - iii) Salad bars, self-serve buffets, self-serve fountain drinks, and other self-serve food or beverage options should increase their cleaning frequency to at least every 30 minutes for all face shields and counters or surfaces exposed to the public, and all serving utensils should be changed at a minimum of every 30 minutes. Employees should be strongly encouraged to wash their hands with soap and water or utilize hand sanitizer every 20 minutes.

- iv Plastic coated menus shall be sanitized between each use. Paper menus shall be disposable and discarded after a single use.
 - v All condiment storage on tables should be eliminated; condiments delivered by customer request must be removed from the table and disinfected after each use.
 - vi When delivering food or beverages to customers food service and wait staff, including but not limited to cooks, busboys, hostesses, servers, must wear a mask which covers the employee's nose and mouth.
 - vii Active Video Lottery machines shall only have one (1) player/customer per machine, and shall be cleaned and disinfected after each customer use. Social distancing should be strongly encouraged.
- b) Grocery stores, retail businesses, recreation, gym and fitness businesses
- i Limited to a maximum of ten (10) customers, or one (1) customer for every 200 square feet, whichever is greater
 - ii Display prominent signage and/or other safeguards to ensure that all customers not living in the same household maintain 6' social distancing at all times.
 - iii Where possible retail businesses should establish marks on floor or other signage to indicate six (6) foot social distancing for customers waiting in a line to enter a business, check-out, etc.
 - iv Where possible establish one-way shopping traffic aisles, and use signage and/or floor markings to clearly delineate the direction of customer flow.
 - v Gyms and fitness facilities shall clean and disinfect equipment and/or mats between each use.
- c) Hair salons, nail salons, and barber shops staff:
- i. Shall wear masks which cover their nose and mouth during customer contact times.
 - ii. Customer seating and waiting area must maintain at least six (6) feet social distancing and shall be cleaned and disinfected between each use.
 - iii. Should operate by appointment only and should not be open to the public for walk-in business. Contact information should be conspicuously posted on front doors for patrons to call if need be.
- d) Theaters, large gatherings, and similar businesses and events:
- i Fixed seating shall be reduced to allow for 6' minimum social distancing.
 - ii Certain seats shall be marked as "*not available due to social distancing guidelines*" to ensure customer compliance.
- e) Motels, hotels, bed-and-breakfasts, sleeping rooms, daily house rentals shall implement enhanced cleaning/disinfecting protocols.
6. In addition to the specific requirements listed above, businesses shall operate in a manner consistent with CDC guidelines and any applicable state regulations or executive orders.

7. Businesses can request, in writing, administrative exceptions from the City that allow them to modify their compliance with these requirements and guidelines so long as their proposal contains alternative means to implement social distancing requirements. The City will not approve exceptions which completely exempt a business from implementing social distancing, or from following the CDC guidelines.
8. Any business entity, owner, or supervising manager of any business that is not in compliance with these regulations, or an approved alternative plan pursuant to subsection seven (7), shall be in violation of Ordinance 2207 and therefore subject to penalties included therein.
9. This Resolution shall remain in effect unless otherwise repealed, modified, or extended.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the City of Huron, that due to the fact a national and statewide emergency has been declared and one of the primary recommendations to combat this emergency is to practice social distancing and limit person-to-person contact, this resolution is considered necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, and safety of the City of Huron and shall be effective immediately upon passage.

Passed approved and adopted this 9th day of May, 2020 on a motion by Harrington, seconded by Robish. For: Bryan Smith, Doug Kludt, Mark Robish, Gary Harrington, Mayor Paul Aylward.
Motion Carried.

CITY OF HURON

Paul Aylward, Mayor

ATTEST:

Paullyn Carey, Finance Officer