
CITY OF BLOOMFIELD, IOWA
EMERGENCY PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, COVID-19 poses a serious threat to the public health and safety of the City of Bloomfield, Iowa, as outlined by the Center for Disease Control (“CDC”); and

WHEREAS, the Iowa Department of Public Health (“IDPH”) has now determined that community spread of COVID-19 has occurred in the State of Iowa; and

WHEREAS, the CDC has recommended that persons do not congregate in gatherings of over ten (10) persons to attempt to mitigate the spread of COVID-19 in the general public; and

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, President Donald J. Trump issued a proclamation declaring that the COVID-19 outbreak in the United States constitutes a national emergency; and

WHEREAS, on March 17, 2020, a Proclamation of Public Health Disaster Emergency was issued to provide additional needed resources and measures to respond to this disaster, was extended on April 2, 2020, and such public health disaster continues to exist; and

WHEREAS on April 6, 2020 Governor Kim Reynolds issued a proclamation that stated:

WHEREAS, the risk of transmission of COVID-19 may be substantially reduced by temporarily closing certain additional public establishments, continuing the previous closures, and continuing to prohibit mass gatherings; and

WHEREAS, §15.02(2) of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Bloomfield and §372.14(2) of the Code of Iowa (2019) grant the Mayor powers to declare an emergency and govern through proclamation to protect the health and safety of the citizens of Bloomfield.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Daniel W. Wiegand, the duly elected Mayor of the City of Bloomfield, Iowa, do hereby proclaim the following:

1. That a state of emergency or public danger exists within the City of Bloomfield because of the threat of the spread of the COVID-19 virus.
2. That based upon the advice of the CDC and other public health agencies, I hereby declare that Bloomfield City Hall will remain closed to the public until June 1st. Staff shall report as normal.
3. That based upon the advice of the CDC and other public health agencies, I hereby declare that the Bloomfield Public Library will remain closed to the public until June 1st. Staff shall report as normal.

4. That based upon the advice of the CDC and other public health agencies, I hereby declare that the Mutchler Community Center and the Bloomfield Pool will remain closed to the public until June 1st.
5. Pursuant to Iowa Code §135.144(3), and in conjunction with the Iowa Department of Public Health, unless otherwise modified by subsequent proclamation or order of the Iowa Department of Public Health all outdoor playgrounds or children's play centers shall reopen on May 8, 2020.
6. Pursuant to Iowa Code §135.144(3), all public and private campgrounds shall reopen to temporary recreational use on May 8th. All cabins and yurts in state parks shall remain closed to temporary residents.
7. That this Proclamation of Emergency may be modified and/or superseded by future proclamations of the Office of the Mayor of Bloomfield as future events warrant.
8. That any violation of any proclamation of the Office of the Mayor of the City of Bloomfield, Iowa, shall be enforceable by the Bloomfield Police Department and any violation of the same shall be a violation of Iowa Code §29C.18.1. Every organization for homeland security and emergency management established pursuant to this chapter and its officers shall execute and enforce the orders or rules made by the governor, or under the governor's authority and the orders or rules made by subordinate organizations and not contrary or inconsistent with the orders or rules of the governor. Bloomfield Police Department will be in compliance with the governor's orders and people who are in violation and refuse to follow lawful orders will be charged with Failure to Disperse under Iowa Code §723.3.

Dated this 8th day of May, 2020.



Daniel W. Wiegand, Mayor