

# CITY OF WOODWARD

## *Proclamation*



### **EMERGENCY DECLARATION 2020-02**

**WHEREAS**, the World Health Organization (WHO) has declared the coronavirus COVID-19 disease to be a global pandemic; and

**WHEREAS**, the President of the United States has declared an infectious disease national emergency due to the COVID-19 Virus pandemic; and

**WHEREAS**, the Governor of the State of Oklahoma has declared an emergency caused by the impending threat of COVID-19 for all of Oklahoma, and limited public gathering to a maximum of ten (10) people); and

**WHEREAS**, the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) has issued Interim Guidance for Mass Gatherings or Large Community Events which recommends putting into action strategies for postponing or canceling events; and

**WHEREAS**, the Woodward Code of Ordinances, along with state law, permit the Mayor of the City of Woodward to proclaim that a state of emergency exists within the city limits,

**NOW THEREFORE, AS MAYOR OF THE CITY OF WOODWARD, I HEREBY PROCLAIM THE EXISTENCE OF A CIVIL EMERGENCY IN THE CITY OF WOODWARD AND FURTHER, IT IS HEREBY DECLARED AND ORDERED, AS FOLLOWS:**

1. All events or gatherings of ten (10) people or more, in or on a City-owned or City-operated facility or property, are hereby banned until April 30, 2020.
2. All special event permits, issued under the authority of the Code of Ordinances for the City of Woodward and revocable permits with projected attendance of ten (10) people or more, are hereby revoked, and as of this date, no further such special event permits shall be issued and no such special events may be held in or on a City-owned or City-operated facility or property from the effective date of this declaration through April 30, 2020.
3. The following City of Woodward facilities will be closed to the public:

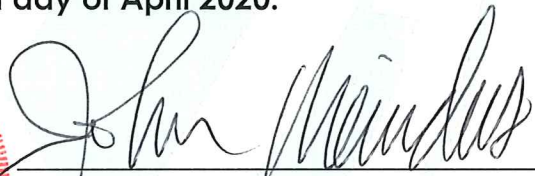
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| Woodward City Hall                | Woodward Municipal Court                 |
| Woodward Police Department        | Woodward Fire Department                 |
| Woodward Conference Center        | Woodward Senior Center                   |
| Woodward Public Library           | Woodward Public Works Authority          |
| Plains Indians and Pioneer Museum | All Crystal Beach Park Sports Facilities |

\* Park patrons are highly encouraged to use discretion in all parts of the park open spaces. The playground areas are closed until further notice.

4. All in-person gatherings for social and recreational purposes, including but not limited to community, civic, public, leisure, faith-based, or sporting events, concerts, festivals, conventions, fundraisers, and similar activities are not allowed, per Governor Stitt's Executive Order 2020-07 until the expiration of this emergency declaration.
5. Businesses such as restaurants, food courts, cafes, and other places of public accommodation offering food and beverage are closed to customers and guests for on-premises consumption, and are restricted and limited to curbside, drive-thru and delivery service, unless determined to be an essential service under the Governor's Order.
6. This state of emergency shall take effect March 17, 2020 and continue to April 30, 2020 unless terminated earlier by further proclamation.

**AND I DO FURTHER PROCLAIM, that public notice of this proclamation and state of emergency shall be given to and filed with the City Clerk of the City of Woodward. ADOPTED and SIGNED this 15th day of April 2020.**



  
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John Meinders, Mayor

ATTEST:   
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Andrea Murlin, City Clerk