

**AGENDA**  
**NOTICE OF A REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING**  
**VIA TELEPHONE/VIDEO CONFERENCE**  
**CITY OF GOLIAD, TEXAS**

**April 8, 2020 – 6:00 P.M.**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** in accordance with order of the Office of the Governor issued March 16, 2020, the City Council of the City of Goliad will conduct its Regular Meeting scheduled for 6:00 p.m. on April 8 2020, located at City Hall, 152 West End Street, Goliad, Texas 77963 by telephone or video conference in order to advance the public health goal of limiting face-to-face meetings (also called “social distancing”) to slow the spread of the Coronavirus (COVID-19). There will be no public access to the location described above.

This Notice and Meeting Agenda, and the Agenda Packet, are posted online at [www.goliadtx.net](http://www.goliadtx.net).

The public toll-free dial-in number to participate in the telephonic/video meeting is hosted through ZOOM. The dial in number is: 888-788-0099.

The public will be permitted to offer public comments telephonically as provided by the agenda and as permitted by the presiding officer during the meeting.

A recording of the telephone/video meeting will be made and will be available to the public in accordance with the Open Meetings Act upon written request.

Call meeting to order

1. Identification of a quorum (Roll Call).
2. Invocation
3. Pledges of Allegiance to United States and Texas Flags
4. Citizen Comments
5. Discuss, Consider and take necessary action on Mayor’s Declarations of March 18, 2020 and subsequent Orders 1 and 2 related hereto, including revisions or additions to such orders.
6. Council and Staff Comments.  
COMMENTS MAY BE MADE BY CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS OR STAFF, BUT NO ACTION MAY BE TAKEN.
7. Items to be placed on the next agenda.
8. Upcoming events.
9. Adjournment.

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Kandi Hubert, City Secretary

I, Kandi Hubert, City Secretary of the City of Goliad do hereby certify that the above notice of the Regular Meeting of the City of Goliad City Council was posted at City Hall, 152 West End St. Goliad, Texas on April 3, 2020 by 5:00 p.m.

*The City Council may convene into executive session on any matter related to any of the above agenda items for a purpose, such closed session is allowed under Chapter 551, Texas Government Code. This agenda is posted as required under 551.041 Texas Government Code. For more information or a copy of the Open Meetings Act, please contact the Attorney General of Texas 1-800-252-8011 or the City Secretary at 361-645-3454.*

*This building is wheelchair accessible. Any requests for Interpretive Services must be made 48 hours in advance of the scheduled meeting. To make arrangements please call 361-645-3454.*

**FOR THIS MEETING AT THE STATED LOCATION THE PRESIDING OVER THE MEETING WILL BE PHYSICALLY PRESENT AT THAT LOCATION AND ONE OR MORE MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL MAY PARTICIPATE IN THIS MEETING REMOTELY THROUGH TELEPHONE OR VIDEOCONFERENCE EQUIPMENT PROVIDING TWO-WAY AUDIO AND VIDEO DISPLAY AND COMMUNICATION WITH EACH MEMBER WHO IS PARTICIPATING BY TELEPHONE OR VIDEOCONFERENCE CALL WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE.**



**ORDER NUMBER 1  
BY  
THE MAYOR OF GOLIAD, TEXAS**

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, a Declaration of State of Disaster was issued by Governor Abbott to take additional steps to prepare for, respond to, and mitigate the spread of COVID-19 to protect the health and welfare of Texans; and

WHEREAS, On March 18, 2020, a Declaration of Local Disaster was issued to allow the City of Goliad to take measures to reduce the possibility of exposure to COVID-19 and promote the health and safety of Goliad residents utilizing state and federal resources made available with this declaration; and

WHEREAS, the COVID-19 virus is contagious and spreads through person-to-person contact, especially in group settings; and

WHEREAS, the Centers on Disease Control and Prevention ("CDC") recommends an "All of Community" approach focused on slowing the transmission of COVID-19 through social distancing to reduce illness and death, while minimizing social and economic impacts; and

WHEREAS, on March 16, 2020, President Trump acknowledged the gravity of the COVID-19 pandemic, releasing strict new guidelines to limit people's interactions, including that Americans should avoid groups of more than 10 people;

WHEREAS, due to the substantial risks to the public and in line with the President's guidelines, this Order prohibits Community Gatherings of more than 10 persons anywhere in the City of Goliad beginning at 6:00 p.m. on March 27, 2020, and continuing until April 8, 2020, unless terminated or modified by an earlier order; and

WHEREAS, the CDC and other respected health organizations recommends following the social distancing actions attached to this Order, including cancelling, postponing, or not attending events or community gatherings with more than 10 people. In addition, it is urged that individuals who are at the highest risk from COVID-19, as determined and defined by the CDC, to not attend and to avoid community gatherings or events that will have or will likely have more than 10 people.

NOW THEREFORE, I, TRUDIA PRESTON, MAYOR FOR THE CITY OF GOLIAD, PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY VESTED BY TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE CHAPTER 418, HEREBY FIND AND ORDER:

SECTION 1. That the findings and recitations set out in the preamble to this ORDER are found to be true and correct and they are hereby adopted by the Mayor and made a part hereof for all purposes.

SECTION 2. Effective as of 6:00 p.m. on Friday, March 27, 2020, and continuing until April 8, 2020, unless terminated or modified by an earlier order, the Mayor of the City of Goliad, Texas, deems it in the public interest to PROHIBIT any public or private Community Gatherings (as defined in Section 3, below) anywhere in the City of Goliad.

SECTION 3. Effective as of 6:00 p.m. on Friday, March 27, 2020, and continuing until April 8, 2020, unless terminated or modified by an earlier order, the Mayor of the City of Goliad, Texas deems it in the public interest to CLOSE all public or semi-public owned and/or operated playground equipment, playscapes, pools, splash pads, pavilions, exercise equipment, public and drinking water fountains, as well as the public restrooms located in the park located within the City limits of Goliad, Texas.

SECTION 4. Definitions:

- a. For purposes of this Order, a "Community Gathering" is any indoor or outdoor event or convening subject to the exceptions and clarifications below, that brings together or is likely to bring together more than ten (10) persons at the same time in a single room or other single confined or enclosed space, including but not limited to an auditorium, theatre, stadium (indoor or outdoor), arena or event center, meeting hall, conference center, or any other confined indoor or confined outdoor space. For clarity, this includes, but is not limited to, weddings, religious gatherings, parties, funerals, sporting events, social events, conferences, and other large gatherings.
- b. For purposes of this Order, a "Community Gathering" also includes gas stations, convenience stores, or other stores and includes employees in such number.
- c. An outdoor "Community Gathering" under this Order is limited to events in confined outdoor spaces, which means an outdoor space that (i) is enclosed by a fence, physical barrier, or other structure or (ii) where people are present and they are within arm's length of one another for extended periods, including but not limited to playgrounds and basketball courts.
- d. EXCLUDED: Engaging in outdoor activities, such as walking, hiking or running—so long as at least six (6) feet of physical distancing is maintained among individuals.

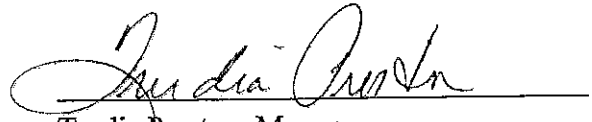
In all such settings, the Mayor for the City of Goliad recommends following the attached Social Distancing Recommendations.

SECTION 4: That the Fire Chief/Fire Marshal's Office and other peace officers, are hereby authorized to enforce this order. A violation of this order is considered a violation of city ordinance.

SECTION 5: Goliad will post this Order on its website. In addition, the owner, manager, or operator of any facility that is likely to be impacted by this Order is strongly encouraged to post a copy of this Order onsite and to provide a copy to any member of the public asking for a copy. If any subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, or word of this Order or any application of it to any person, structure, gathering, or circumstance is


held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a decision of a court of competent jurisdiction, then such decision will not affect the validity

ORDERED this the 27th day of March, 2020, in the City of Goliad, Texas.

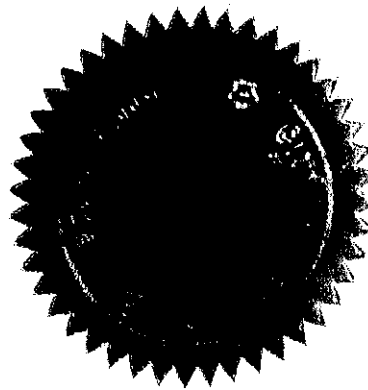


Trudia Preston, Mayor  
City of Goliad, Texas

ATTEST:



Kandi Hubert, City Secretary  
City of Goliad, Texas





**ORDER NUMBER 2  
BY  
THE MAYOR OF GOLIAD, TEXAS**

**WHEREAS**, on March 13, 2020, a Declaration of State of Disaster was issued by Governor Abbott to take additional steps to prepare for, respond to, and mitigate the spread of COVID-19 to protect the health and welfare of Texans; and

**WHEREAS**, On March 18, 2020, a Declaration of Local Disaster was issued to allow the City of Goliad to take measures to reduce the possibility of exposure to COVID-19 and promote the health and safety of Goliad residents utilizing state and federal resources made available with this declaration; and

**WHEREAS**, the CDC and other respected health organizations recommends following the social distancing actions attached to this Order, including cancelling, postponing, or not attending events or community gatherings with more than 10 people. In addition, it is urged that individuals who are at the highest risk from COVID-19, as determined and defined by the CDC, to not attend and to avoid community gatherings or events that will have or will likely have more than 10 people.

**WHEREAS**, on March 20, 2020, Governor Abbott issued four orders to support his initial declaration, including avoiding social gatherings in groups of more than 10 people; avoiding eating and drinking in bars, restaurants and food courts, or visiting gyms or massage parlors (drive-thrus and deliveries excepted); not allowing visits to nursing homes or retirement or long term care facilities; and closing of schools. These orders will be effective on a statewide basis starting at 11:59 PM on March 20, 2020 and will end at 11:59 PM on April 3, 2020, subject to extension thereafter based on the status of COVID-19 in Texas and the recommendations of the CDC.

**WHEREAS**, on March 31, 2020, Governor Abbott issued an additional Executive Order No. GA-14, that supersedes his order GA-08 and extends the social distancing until April 30, 2020 and closure of the schools until May 4, 2020, and requires that all individuals except where required to provide those essential services identified by TDEM or U.S. Department of Homeland Security to minimize social gatherings and in-person contact; those who are required to provide essential services shall follow the President's and CDC's hygiene guidelines and are encouraged where able, to provide such services remotely; that all individuals shall avoid eating out, but may have take-out or drive-thru; shall stay away from nursing homes; but may access essential services while practicing the necessary precautions.

**NOW THEREFORE, I, TRUDIA PRESTON, MAYOR FOR THE CITY OF GOLIAD, PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY VESTED BY TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE CHAPTER 418, HEREBY FIND AND ORDER:**

SECTION 1. That the findings and recitations set out in the preamble to this ORDER are found to be true and correct and they are hereby adopted by the Mayor and made a part hereof for all purposes.

SECTION 2. Effective as of 6:00 p.m. on Friday, March 27, 2020, and continuing until April 8, 2020, unless terminated or modified by the City Council, the Mayor of the City of Goliad, Texas, deems it in the public interest to allow public water service to continue to those homes and businesses that are unable to pay their monthly bill, and waiving the late charges, under the following conditions:

- a. The homeowner or business shall contact the utility services and request a deferment on payment of all or a portion of the bill for any month covered by the Governor's Executive Orders;
- b. The homeowner or business shall undertake to pay the unpaid bill in one of three methods:
  - i. After the deferment period ends, pay the entire amount owed in six (6) equal payments over three months on the 5<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> of each month;
  - ii. After the deferment period ends, pay the entire amount owed in twelve (12) equal payments over three months on a weekly basis; or
  - iii. After the deferment period ends, pay the entire amount owed by not later than 60<sup>th</sup> day after the deferment period ends.

SECTION 3. Effective as of 6:00 a.m. on Wednesday, April 1, 2020, and continuing until April 8, 2020, unless terminated or modified by the City Council, , the Mayor of the City of Goliad, Texas, deems it in the public interest to had emergency duty pay to all essential personnel as defined by the Governor's Executive Orders.

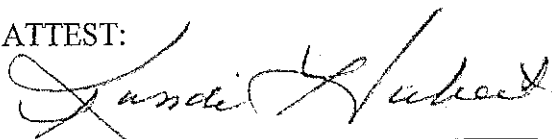
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ORDERED this the 1st day of April, 2020, in the City of Goliad, Texas.



Trudia Preston, Mayor  
City of Goliad, Texas

ATTEST:



Kandi Hubert, City Secretary  
City of Goliad, Texas

