



## CITY OF FULTON, MISSOURI

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### DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY ORDER #1

WHEREAS, the novel coronavirus, designated as COVID-19, is a global pandemic that has caused the United States of America and the State of Missouri to declare states of emergency; and

WHEREAS, city residents have tested positive for COVID-19, which presents an imminent threat of widespread illness within the city and requires emergency action on the national, state, and local level to lessen the spread of the disease.

Now, Therefore, I Lowe Cannell, Mayor of the City of Fulton, Missouri, hereby enact the following orders, as authorized by Ordinance 1535-20:

- The power to close any city-owned buildings and other facilities to the use of the general public;
  - All city facilities shall be closed to the public until further notice.
- The power to postpone license and permit processing and deadlines;
  - City license and permit deadlines (business, liquor, other licenses or permits that may be due during the time period of this declaration of emergency) are hereby extended until further notice.
- The power to waive penalties for city services and functions;
  - Penalties relating to unpaid city utility accounts due April 15, 2020 shall not be assessed. This order shall not be valid for any penalties assessed prior to the declaration of emergency, and shall stand in effect until further notice.
  - Penalties related to license and permit renewals shall not be assessed until further notice.

- The power to postpone or waive utility shut offs;
  - Until further notice, no utility account shall be shut off due to non-payment. This does not nullify the account holder's responsibility to pay for services rendered, but is meant as a goodwill gesture to assist our citizens in time of need.
- The power to amend work schedules for city staff, following the advice and consent of the Director of Administration;
  - City of Fulton employees shall work in accordance with the schedules and plans put forward by the Director of Administration and Department Heads. These schedules may continue to change, and changes will be communicated prior to the effective date of change.
- The power to establish immediate or delayed effective dates;
  - The orders contained herein shall be in effect immediately and until further notice.
  - "Further notice" means a declaration by the Mayor or resolution of the City Council posted in public to the extent practicable.

So ordered on this 24<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2020.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Lowe Cannell', written over a horizontal line.

Lowe Cannell, Mayor