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Liberty Mayor Issues State of Emergency

LIBERTY, Mo. – At 12:30 p.m. on Thursday, March 19, 2020, City of Liberty Mayor Lyndell Brenton issued a State of Emergency in response to COVID-19.

“We have seen in other states how rapidly this virus can spread through communities and the impact it can have on our most vulnerable populations,” said Mayor Brenton. “As this situation has evolved, we have taken measured steps to stem the spread in our community.”

“This proclamation is the next step and will help expedite our emergency response efforts and allow us to procure needed resources more easily and adapt as necessary in our ongoing efforts to protect public health and safety.”

This declaration will remain in place until further action is taken by City Council.

The mandates in the Public Health Emergency Order from the Clay County Public Health Center also apply to Liberty business.

“We appreciate the efforts of the many businesses that have already altered their operations to help in our community’s efforts to reduce the spread of COVID-19,” Mayor Brenton said.

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“We know these are trying times for everyone, and this continues to be a very fluid situation, with new changes daily. City leadership and staff continue to monitor the situation and work to meet the needs of our community and follow both recommendations and mandates from County, State and Federal authorities.

“We must come together as a community to work through this crisis not only for the well-being of our community members but for the viability of our health system,” Brenton said. “We urge everyone in our community, regardless of age, to take all appropriate measures to prevent the spread of this virus.”

According to the CDC, the most effective ways to prevent the spread of COVID-19 is to practice preventative hygiene and follow social distancing recommendations of staying home when possible and maintaining 6-ft of personal space when you do go out.

To stay up to date on City of Liberty actions related to COVID-19, please visit www.libertymissouri.gov/COVID19.

Residents should stay informed and ensure they are receiving information from reliable sources:

- [Centers for Disease Control](#) (CDC)
- [Clay County Public Health Center](#)
- [Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services](#) - a 24/7 phone hotline for the public or providers to receive information or guidance related to COVID-19. The hotline is reached at 877.435.8411.

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