



# CITY OF TAMPA

— OFFICE OF THE MAYOR —

**Jane Castor, Mayor**

## EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-04

**WHEREAS**, on March 1, 2020, Governor Ron DeSantis issued Executive Order Number 20-51 declaring a Public Health Emergency in the State of Florida due to the spread of Coronavirus Disease 2019 (“COVID-19”); and

**WHEREAS**, on March 7, 2020, Governor Ron DeSantis issued Executive Order Number 20-52, declaring a State of Emergency for the State of Florida, extending to all sixty-seven (67) counties, including Hillsborough County and the City of Tampa, due to Coronavirus Disease 2019 (“COVID-19”); and

**WHEREAS**, on March 12, 2020, the Hillsborough County Emergency Policy Group issued an Executive Order declaring a local state of emergency in response to a countywide threat from COVID-19, which Order was extended on March 19, 2020, and again on March 26, 2020; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 12, 2020, pursuant to Section 2-402 of the City of Tampa Code, I, as Mayor of the City of Tampa, issued City of Tampa Executive Order 2020-01 declaring that a state of local emergency has occurred in the City of Tampa in response to a citywide threat from COVID-19, which state of local emergency was re-declared by City of Tampa Executive Order 2020-02 on March 16, 2020, and which declaration of emergency was extended by City of Tampa Executive Order 2020-03 on March 23, 2020; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 13, 2020, President Donald J. Trump issued a Proclamation Declaring a National Emergency concerning COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS**, between March 17, 2020 and the date hereof, the Governor of the State of Florida issued several Executive Orders placing numerous restrictions on individuals and businesses in response to the COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS**, between March 16, 2020 and the date hereof, the County Administrator of Hillsborough County issued several Administrator Orders placing numerous restrictions on individuals and businesses in response to the COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS**, between March 12, 2020, and the date hereof, as Mayor of the City of Tampa I issued several City of Tampa Executive Orders and Mayoral Order #1 placing numerous restrictions on individuals and businesses in response to the COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 2-404(a) of the City of Tampa Code, provides that during the existence of a declared state of local emergency, the Mayor may regulate activities upon public property and any places of public assembly;

**WHEREAS**, a state of local emergency is currently in effect pursuant to City of Tampa Executive Order 2020-03; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Mayoral Order #1, all City of Tampa public beaches (excluding boat ramps) were closed on March 17, 2020; and pursuant to City of Tampa Executive Order 2020-03, all City of Tampa Parks and Recreational Facilities and Pools were closed on March 23, 2020; and

**NOW, THEREFORE**, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Tampa by Article VII, Civil Emergencies, Sections 2-401, et. seq., of the City of Tampa Code, and the Charter of the City of Tampa, and the Laws of the State of Florida, I hereby issue this Executive Order declaring:

- Additional Specific Restriction regarding City of Tampa Parks. That pursuant to Section 2-404(a) of the City of Tampa Code, in addition to the specific restrictions already in effect pursuant to City of Tampa Executive Order 2020-03, the following additional specific restrictions are hereby imposed:
  - Closure of City of Tampa Parks. All City of Tampa Parks are hereby closed; provided however, the following City of Tampa trails and boat ramps will remain open and all persons occupying and/or utilizing said trails and boat ramps shall maintain a distance of 6 ft. between themselves and any other person:

Trails:

- S. Manhattan Ave., from Interbay Blvd. north to W. Bay Ave., then west and continuing north on S. Manhattan Ave. to Legacy Park Drive;
- Bayshore Blvd., from Gandy Blvd. north to Platt St.;
- 20th St, from Adamo Dr. south to Maritime Blvd.;
- 22nd St, from 21st Ave north to Dr. MLK Jr. Blvd.;
- Courtney Campbell Causeway Trail;
- Bruce B Downs Blvd Trail;
- Tampa Riverwalk, provided however, adjacent downtown parks are closed;

Boat Ramps:

- Lowry Park Boat Ramp
- Ballast Point Boat Ramp
- Picnic Island Boat Ramp

- **Effective Date and Duration.** That this Executive Order shall take effect immediately on the date set forth below and all provisions herein shall remain in effect during the duration of the state of local emergency, unless suspended or extended by subsequent executive order issued by the Mayor.
- **Enforcement.** Pursuant to Fla.Stat. § 252.50, a violation of this Order, and/or any Executive Order made pursuant to the emergency powers provided by Chapter 252, Fla. Stat., by the Governor of the State of Florida, by the Hillsborough County Emergency Policy Group, or by the Hillsborough County Administrator, is a second degree misdemeanor which carries a penalty of up to 60 days imprisonment and/or a \$500 fine.

DONE and ORDERED this 28 day of March 2020.

  
Jane Castor, Mayor

PREPARED AND APPROVED BY:

  
Gina K. Grimes, City Attorney