

Town of Huachuca City
DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY
AND ORDER
COVID-19
PROCLAMATION NO. 2021-02

A PROCLAMATION OF THE MAYOR OF THE TOWN OF HUACHUCA CITY, COCHISE COUNTY, ARIZONA, RESUMING THE PHASED REOPENING OF TOWN FACILITIES AND AUTHORIZING A CONTINUATION OF PRECAUTIONS TO PROTECT THE HEALTH AND WELFARE OF THE TOWN AND ITS RESIDENTS DURING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC.

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020, the Governor of the State of Arizona, Douglas A. Ducey, determined that the COVID-19 outbreak presents conditions in Arizona that justified his declaration of a State of Emergency; and

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, the President of the United States of America, Donald J. Trump, found and proclaimed that the COVID-19 outbreak in the United States constituted a national emergency; and

WHEREAS, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention – in an effort to control the COVID-19 outbreak – has developed and published various guidelines that aim to reduce the risk of exposure to the virus which includes wearing face coverings, avoiding non-essential travel and gatherings, and to implement social distancing whenever possible; and

WHEREAS, on March 19, 2020, I, Mayor Johann Wallace issued Proclamation 2020-01 declaring a state of emergency exists within the Town of Huachuca City; and

WHEREAS, on March 20, 2020, Cochise County confirmed its first case of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on July 23, 2020, Governor Ducey issued a continuation of Executive Order 2020-43, Slowing the Spread of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, the COVID-19 infection rate in Arizona and Cochise County is on the decline, while vaccine saturation is improving; and

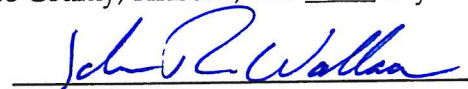
WHEREAS, it is appropriate to resume the phased re-opening of the Town, previously ordered, as we continue to adapt to and live with this virus.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Johann R. Wallace, Mayor of the Town of Huachuca City, Arizona, by the authority vested in me by the laws of the State of Arizona and Town Code and by this Proclamation hereby:

1. Order and direct the Town Manager to resume the phased re-opening of the Town's buildings, including the senior center, community center, library and town hall, providing notice to the public via the Town's official website and social media pages, ensuring that adequate measures are taken to protect the public and Town Staff; and
2. Order and direct that meetings of the Town Council shall:
 - a. return to an in-person format, with an option for attendance via remote means; and
 - b. resume in-person calls to the public, though members of the public may still submit written comments to the Town Clerk 24 hours in advance of the meeting; and
 - c. otherwise be conducted in accordance with the state's open meeting laws.
3. Continue to direct the implementation of Governor Ducey's executive orders pertaining to restaurants and dine-in services, to ensure they implement protocols and best practices for businesses to address COVID-19 including physical distancing policies and limiting the number of diners.
4. Respectfully request all local businesses, residents and visitors to continue to adhere to the Center for Disease Control's guidelines and Governor Ducey's Executive Orders through the implementation of social distancing, limiting the size of groups and following all other prescribed measures to prevent the spread of COVID-19; and
5. Previous instructions and orders from prior proclamations remain in-effect, not altered or superseded by this Proclamation.


This Declaration and Order shall remain in full force and effect until amended or terminated by further order of the Mayor or Town Council.

ORDERED by the Mayor of the Town of Huachuca City, Cochise County, Arizona, this 04 day of March, 2021, at 1040.


Johann R. Wallace, Mayor

ATTEST:


Brandye Thorpe, Town Clerk


Thomas Benavidez, Town Attorney