



The Leon Valley City Council updated the Mayor's Declaration of Public Emergency and voted to extend it for 30 days during the City Council Meeting held on March 18, 2020. This ordinance is subject to change on a daily basis so please keep yourself updated through our website or other social media. The March 18, 2020, Ordinance is attached.

Frequently Asked Questions

Will my water be shut off if I am unable to pay my bill?

No, the Leon Valley City Council has passed a 30-day ordinance ordering that a resident's water not be disconnected for non-payment for Leon Valley water users.

Will the solid waste pick up remain the same in Leon Valley?

Yes. As of today, Tiger Sanitation is maintaining the same schedule.

Can I dine in at a restaurant in Leon Valley?

No. You can only use restaurants via "to-go" or through curbside delivery.

What businesses are completely closed in Leon Valley?

Bars or establishments that primarily serve alcoholic beverages for on premise consumption, Car-Vel Skate, Bandera Bowl, all gyms & fitness centers and the Leon Valley Aquarium.

What types of businesses or facilities in Leon Valley are exempt from this prohibition?

Grocery stores, places of worship, museums (so long as visitors are generally not within arm's length of one another for extended periods of time), retail establishments where large numbers of people are present but it is unusual for them to be within arm's length of one another for extended periods, funeral homes provided numbers of persons present are limited so those present are not within arm's length of one another for extended periods, hotels and office spaces.

What other measures unique to Leon Valley were taken?

The Council has closed the park restrooms; however, citizens can still use the city parks.

What happens if my business violates this ordinance?

A violation of this ordinance is considered a Class C misdemeanor and is subject to a maximum fine of \$1,000.00. After the second fine, the City will suspend the business's Certificate of Occupancy.

Is the Leon Valley City Hall open during this period?

Yes. However, we are operating with a limited staff. Many staff members are working from home. The only exception to our regular operating hours is our Planning & Zoning Department and they are open for business from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

What do I do if my court date falls in this time period?

You will be contacted and your court appearance will be re-scheduled.

Are Police, Fire and EMS services still available 24/7?

Yes, definitely!

What if I receive a red-light camera citation and want to have an administrative hearing? Because not more than one person is allowed in the administrative hearing, the hearings will continue during this period.

How does COVID 19 spread?

- There is currently no vaccine to prevent coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19).
- The best way to prevent illness is to avoid being exposed to this virus.
- The virus is thought to spread mainly from person-to-person.
- Between people who are in close contact with one another (within about 6 feet).
- Through respiratory droplets produced when an infected person coughs or sneezes.
- These droplets can land in the mouths or noses of people who are nearby or possibly be inhaled into the lungs.

How do I protect myself?

Clean your hands often

- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds especially after you have been in a public place, or after blowing your nose, coughing, or sneezing.
- If soap and water are not readily available, use a hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol. Cover all surfaces of your hands and rub them together until they feel dry.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands.

Avoid close contact

- Avoid close contact with people who are sick
- Put distance between yourself and other people if COVID-19 is spreading in your community. This is especially important for <u>people who are at higher risk of getting</u> very sick.

How do I protect others?

Stay home if you're sick

Stay home if you are sick, except to get medical care. Learn what to do if you are sick.

Cover coughs and sneezes

- Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue when you cough or sneeze or use the inside of your elbow.
- Throw used tissues in the trash.
- Immediately wash your hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. If soap and water are not readily available, clean your hands with a hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol.

Wear a facemask if you are sick

- If you are sick: You should wear a facemask when you are around other people (e.g., sharing a room or vehicle) and before you enter a healthcare provider's office. If you are not able to wear a facemask (for example, because it causes trouble breathing), then you should do your best to cover your coughs and sneezes, and people who are caring for you should wear a facemask if they enter your room.

 Learn what to do if you are sick.
- If you are NOT sick: You do not need to wear a facemask unless you are caring for someone who is sick (and they are not able to wear a facemask). Facemasks may be in short supply and they should be saved for caregivers.

Clean and disinfect

- Clean AND disinfect <u>frequently touched surfaces</u> daily. This includes tables, doorknobs, light switches, countertops, handles, desks, phones, keyboards, toilets, faucets, and sinks.
- If surfaces are dirty, clean them: Use detergent or soap and water prior to disinfection.

To disinfect:

• Most common EPA-registered household disinfectants will work. Use disinfectants appropriate for the surface.

Options include:

Diluting your household bleach.

To make a bleach solution, mix:

- 5 tablespoons (1/3rd cup) bleach per gallon of water
 OR
- 4 teaspoons bleach per quart of water

Follow manufacturer's instructions for application and proper ventilation. Check to ensure the product is not past its expiration date. Never mix household bleach with ammonia or any other cleanser. Unexpired household bleach will be effective against coronaviruses when properly diluted.

Alcohol solutions.

Ensure solution has at least 70% alcohol.

Other common EPA-registered household disinfectants.

Products with <u>EPA-approved emerging viral pathogens pdf icon[7 pages]external icon</u> claims are expected to be effective against COVID-19 based on data for harder to kill viruses. Follow the manufacturer's instructions for all cleaning and disinfection products (e.g., concentration, application method and contact time, etc.)

^{*}The above information was taken from the Center for Disease Control's website.