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City of Saint Paul Emergency Executive Order 2020-27 (September 22, 2020)

Executive Order September 22, 2020, 2020-27

EMERGENCY EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-27

I, Melvin Carter III, Mayor of the City of Saint Paul, on September 22, 2020, pursuant to Saint Paul Legislative Code Section 13.06, do hereby issue the following Executive Order:

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, Minnesota Governor Tim Walz issued Executive Order 20-10 “Declaring a Peacetime Emergency and Coordinating Minnesota’s Strategy to Protect Minnesotans from COVID-19” pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 12.31, subd. 2. This Order has been extended several times and remains in effect; and

WHEREAS, on March 15, 2020, I issued an Emergency Declaration in response to the COVID-19 pandemic pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 12.29, which the City Council consented to on March 17, 2020, and which I have twice extended, and such extensions were approved by the City Council on June 10, 2020, and September 9, 2020; and

WHEREAS, Saint Paul Leg. Code Chapter 13.06(b) provides that, “whenever necessary to meet an emergency ... the mayor may by executive order promulgate regulations ... for which adequate regulations have not been adopted ... regarding the conduct of persons and the use of property during emergencies, and respecting all other matters which are required to protect public safety, health and welfare in emergencies”; and

WHEREAS, on March 16, 2020, Minnesota Governor Tim Walz issued Executive Order 20-04 which ordered the temporary closure of Minnesota restaurants and bars to dine-in customers and also ordered the temporary closure of places of public accommodation and amusement, including but not limited to: theatres, museums, fitness centers, and community clubs; and Bars, taverns, brew pubs, breweries, microbreweries, distilleries, wineries, tasting rooms, clubs, and other places of public accommodation that offer alcoholic beverages for on-premises consumption until April 10, 2020; and

WHEREAS, on March 25, Governor Walz signed Executive Order 20-20 directing Minnesotans to stay at home and allowed only essential workers to go to work. This order was extended until May 4, 2020; and

WHEREAS, on May 13, 2020, Minnesota Governor Tim Walz issued Executive Order 20-56 which directed the Commissioners of Health, Employment and Economic Development, and Labor and Industry to develop a phased plan to achieve the limited and safe reopening of bars, restaurants, and other places of public accommodation beginning June 1, 2020; and

WHEREAS, on May 20, 2020, the Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development released industry guidance which will allow bars and restaurants to safely reopen on June 1, 2020; and

WHEREAS, on May 27, 2020, Governor Walz issued Executive Order 20-63 that included regulations for outdoor service provided by restaurants, food courts, cafes, coffeehouses, bars, taverns, brewer taprooms, micro distiller cocktail rooms, farm wineries, craft wineries, cideries, golf courses, and other Places of Public Accommodation offering food or beverages (including alcoholic beverages) for on premises consumption; and

WHEREAS, on May 27, 2020 I issued Executive Order 2020-10 which eliminated certain City requirements to facilitate commercial uses of outdoor spaces; and

WHEREAS, on August 14, 2020, I extended Executive Order 2020-10, said order expires on September 22, 2020; and

WHEREAS, Saint Paul businesses remain impacted by the Governor's Executive Orders and reduced business related to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, the City aims to allow commercial uses of outdoor space in the public right-of-way for as long as possible, but also seeks to ensure that business furniture and other property is removed from the public right of way once the snow season has begun;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Melvin Carter, Mayor of the City of Saint Paul, hereby issue the following Executive Order.

Executive Order 2020-10 is extended for an additional forty days with the following additional requirement for Temporary C-19 Right of Way Obstruction Permit holders under Executive Order 2020-10:

All business furniture or other property that is in the public right of way must be immediately removed if any of the following occur:

- a. The City declares a snow emergency.
- b. The City receives more than 2 inches of snow or accumulated freezing rain within a 24-hour period, as reported by the Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport weather station.

All Temporary C-19 Obstruction Permits issued to will expire upon the first occurrence of 2(a) or (b), above, unless sooner rescinded by the City. Pursuant to Chapter 13 of the Saint Paul Legislative Code, this Executive Order will take effect on September 22, 2020 and, if not sooner rescinded or later extended, shall expire at the end of forty (40) days after its effective date or at the end of the declared local emergency to which it relates, whichever occurs first.

October 2020 (2020-28 through 2020-32)