

## City Of Lower Burrell

### DECLARATION OF DISASTER EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, on or about March 14, 2020 a (disaster) has caused or threatens to cause injury, damage, and suffering to the persons and property of the City of Lower Burrell; and

WHEREAS, the (disaster) has endangered the health, safety and welfare of a substantial number of persons residing in the City of Lower Burrell, and threatens to create problems greater in scope than the City of Lower Burrell may be able to resolve; and

WHEREAS, emergency management measures are required to reduce the severity of this disaster and to protect the health, safety and welfare of affected residents in the City of Lower Burrell:

NOW, THEREFORE, we, the undersigned Mayor and Council of the City of Lower Burrell, pursuant to the provisions of Section 7501 of the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Services Code, (35 PA C.S., Section 7501), as amended, do hereby proclaim the existence of a disaster emergency in the City of Lower Burrell

FURTHER, We direct the following:

1. The City of Lower Burrell Emergency Management Coordinator shall coordinate the activities of the emergency response, to take all appropriate action needed to alleviate the effects of this disaster, to aid in the restoration of essential public services, and to take any other emergency response action deemed necessary to respond to this emergency.
2. Officials of the City of Lower Burrell shall act as necessary to meet the current demands of this emergency, namely: by the employment of temporary workers, by the rental of equipment, by the purchase of supplies and materials, and by entering into such contracts and agreements for the performance of public work as may be required to meet the emergency, all without regard to those time-consuming procedures and formalities normally prescribed by law, mandatory constitutional requirements excepted.
3. Officials of the City of Lower Burrell shall work with nonprofit partners and the schools to provide food options for City schoolchildren while the schools are closed.
4. In order to mitigate the effects of the coronavirus on public health, the following measures are hereby adopted for the next five (5 days). This declaration and these restrictions shall remain in effect until Midnight, Friday, March 20, 2020, unless extended by the Lower Burrell City Council:
  - A. All public gatherings of 50 or more people are strongly discouraged within the City of Lower Burrell.
  - B. All events requiring City Permits are hereby cancelled.
  - C. All residents of the City of Lower Burrell are strongly encouraged to practice social distancing to limit the spread of the disease. Do not go out in public unless it is absolutely necessary.

- D. The City of Lower strongly requests that tax-payers mail in their checks for real estate and sewage payments, to utilize the drop box outside the tax office, or use an online bill service. As always a receipt will be mailed to you if you provide a self-addressed stamped envelope with your payment. Tax office lobby will be closed. Due dates have not changed at this time.
- E. City Hall offices will remain open during this time, however we are restricting walk in visits. We are available to answer questions via phone or email. The police department remains open for all emergencies.
- F. Meeting of municipal Authorities, Boards, and Commissions will be limited to those with essential business to conduct.
- G. City buildings and properties are not available for use by outside groups at this time.

This Proclamation shall take effect immediately.

John Andrijcuk  
(Mayor)

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(Council)

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Rosina Banese  
(Council)

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Date: March 14, 2020

