

Order 156-19/20

Motion to bifurcate to consider Governor's List of Essential Services separately: 9-0 on 3/30/2020

Motion to postpone to April 13, 2020: 9-0 on 3/30/2020

Motion to amend to add more restrictive language re: real estate, construction, professional and legal services, gun shops, and to move the June election to July 14, 2020: 9-0 on 4/14/2020

Motion to suspend off-leash and voice control city code provisions for dogs between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m.: 5-4 (Mavodones, Costa, Thibodeau and Snyder) on 4/14/2020

Passage as amended as an emergency: 9-0 on 4/14/2020

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**ORDER REPLACING THE LIST OF ESSENTIAL SERVICES IN THE PROCLAMATION
DECLARING CONTINUED STATE OF EMERGENCY AND
REQUIREMENT TO STAY AT HOME**

ORDERED , that the Proclamation Declaring the Continued State of Emergency and Requirement to Stay at Home, issued by the City Manager Jon P. Jennings on March 24, 2020, is hereby renewed and amended to be in effect for twenty-eight days, from March 30, 2020 through 12:00 a.m. on April 27, 2020, in substantially the form attached; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, that the City Council hereby authorizes the City Manager or his or her designee to execute any related documents necessary or convenient to carry out the intent of this Order.

PROCLAMATION DECLARING CONTINUED STATE OF EMERGENCY AND REQUIREMENT TO STAY AT HOME

WHEREAS, there is currently an outbreak of novel coronavirus disease 2019 (“COVID-19”), a respiratory illness, first detected in Wuhan City, Hubei Province, China, and it continues to expand to a growing number of international locations, including the United States; and

WHEREAS, on January 31, 2020, the United States Secretary of Health and Human Services announced a nationwide public health emergency to respond to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization (the “WHO”) declared that global health crisis involving COVID-19 is a pandemic; and

WHEREAS, on March 12, 2020, the State of Maine identified and confirmed its first case of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, the City of Portland, Maine identified and confirmed its first case of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on March 16, 2020, the City of Portland declared an emergency and issued an emergency proclamation wherein in, among other things, restaurants and bars were to be closed for in-person gatherings and only open for take-out dining; and

WHEREAS, on March 19, 2020 the Federal Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency issued guidance identifying 14 critical infrastructure sectors whose workers provide services and functions that are essential to maintain in order to support a strong response to COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, as of March 29, 2020, there are 253 cases in the State of Maine, and 74 cases in Cumberland County of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on March 18, 2020, the Maine Supreme Judicial Court issued a Revised Emergency Order and Notice from the Maine Supreme Judicial Court [Regarding] Courthouse Safety and Coronavirus (Covid-19), in which the Court ordered that cases involving Forcible Entry and Detainer (evictions, landlord/tenant) will not be heard or scheduled by any Maine court before May 1, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the City of Portland is the largest city in Cumberland County, and is the service center for the region; and

WHEREAS, COVID-19 has been detected in hundreds of thousands of people worldwide and is primarily spread from person to person; and

WHEREAS, COVID-19 is easily transmitted, especially in group settings, and it is essential that the spread of the virus be slowed to protect the ability of public and private health care providers to handle the influx of new patients and safeguard public health and safety; and

WHEREAS, this worldwide outbreak of COVID-19 is emerging and rapidly evolving; and

WHEREAS, Governor Janet T. Mills issued an executive order on March 15, 2020 prohibiting gatherings of more than ten (10) people throughout the State, and closing all restaurants and bars dine-in facilities; and

WHEREAS, on March 24, 2020, Governor Mills issued further guidance to businesses and the public regarding COVID-19;

WHEREAS, under conditions of this emergency, the City of Portland recommends and encourages all landlords throughout the City to not undertake or process any evictions; and

WHEREAS, the City of Portland also recommends that persons not advertise or encourage the use or rental of short-term rentals throughout the City for vacation purposes or otherwise; and

WHEREAS, on April 10, 2020, Governor Janet T. Mills issued an Executive Order "Modifying the Primary Election to Reduce Exposure to COVID-19" in which state statutory deadline requiring that the primary election be held on the 2nd Tuesday of June is suspended and modified to provide that the primary election will be held on July 14, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Portland City Manager has identified additional services and functions that likewise are essential to promote the public health, safety and welfare of the City of Portland, ensuring workers providing critical services and functions in those designated sectors may continue to work to ensure community resilience and continuity of response efforts, while at the same time encouraging social distancing at these services, with no in-person dining, and curbside pick-up of any goods where practicable;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED, that the Mayor and City Council of the City of Portland, do hereby declare and order as follows:

1. A civil state of emergency continues to exist within the City of Portland.
2. This Proclamation is issued in accordance with, and incorporates by reference, the March 15, 2020 Executive Order issued by Governor Janet T. Mills. More specifically, the following provisions should still be complied with within the City of Portland:

- A. Gatherings of more than ten (10) people are prohibited throughout the State. Gatherings subject to the Governor's Executive Order are those that are primarily social, personal, and discretionary events other than employment. Such gatherings include, without limitation, community, civic, public, leisure, and faith-based events; social clubs; sporting events with spectators; concerts, conventions, fundraisers, parades, fairs, and festivals; and any similar event or activity in a venue such as an auditorium, stadium, arena, large conference room, meeting hall, theatre, gymnasium, fitness center or private club; and
 - B. All restaurants and bars shall close their dine-in facilities. Such businesses that offer carry-out, delivery, and drive-through food and beverage service may continue to do so but eating and drinking inside restaurants and bars is still temporarily prohibited.
3. The business, production and service sectors identified in Exhibit A are hereby designated as "COVID-19 Essential Services." All of Exhibit A shall be applicable within the City of Portland, except that the following more restrictive requirements shall be applicable to the essential businesses and services identified below:
 - A. Real estate agency activities shall not be allowed with regard to any occupied residential multi-family properties of more than 4 units. For multi-family properties with 4 units or fewer, no real estate activities shall be permitted in a unit occupied by a tenant. Real estate activities shall further not be allowed in which the property owner is not a resident. All other real estate agency activities are authorized so long as such activities are conducted in accordance with Governor Mills' executive orders and the specific guidance for such activities available on the Department of Economic and Community Development website;
 - B. Construction business activities and/or projects may only continue if the activities and/or projects were approved by the City on or before March 25, 2020, and only so long as, to the maximum extent possible, all persons remain at least six (6) feet from any other person on the various construction sites;
 - C. Gun shops shall not be considered an essential business or service within the City of Portland; and
 - D. Insurance business and professional services such as legal or accounting services are allowed, but only when necessary to assist in compliance with legally mandated services.
4. All individuals currently living within the City of Portland are ordered to stay at their place of residence. To the extent individuals are using shared or outdoor spaces, they

must at all times as reasonably possible maintain social distancing of at least six (6) feet from any other person with whom they don't share a household when they are outside their residence. All persons may leave their residences only to access COVID-19 Essential Services or as otherwise expressly provided herein. Individuals experiencing homelessness are exempt from this requirement, but are strongly urged to obtain shelter, and be at least six (6) feet from any other person, to the maximum extent practicable and possible.

5. All travel including, but not limited to, travel on foot, bicycle, scooter, motorcycle, golf carts, automobile, or public transit, for COVID-19 Essential Services is permitted. Outdoor exercise and/or dog walking is also specifically permitted. All individuals are encouraged to not use or congregate on City playgrounds, and it is recommend that all individuals should seek, to the maximum extent possible, to be at least six (6) feet from any other person with whom they do not share a household with when engaged in any travel or exercise activities on City streets, trails, grounds, fields, tennis or basketball courts or other outdoor areas.
6. The requirements in Paragraphs 4 and 5, above, shall not apply to police officers, peace officers, firefighters, EMS, or other emergency personnel or civilians engaged in police or emergency work, persons performing essential governmental functions, nor shall it apply to health-care providers or workers traveling to or coming from work assignments in hospitals or other health-care facilities whether in or outside of the City of Portland. Those requirements shall also not apply to authorized representatives of any news service, newspaper or radio or television station or network.

For the duration of this proclamation, and except as expressly stated herein, all provisions of the City Code permitting dogs to be off leash and under voice control on public streets or publicly owned or publicly accessible property are suspended during the hours between 10:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. All dogs on any public street or publicly owned property must be controlled by a leash of not more than the specified lengths permitted under Chapter 5 of the City Code for particular parks or publicly owned property during those aforementioned hours, except that dogs shall continue to be permitted to be under voice control in the Ocean Avenue Dog Park and the Valley Street Park.

7. All businesses with a facility in the City of Portland that do not provide COVID-19 Essential Services, shall close their physical workspaces and facilities ("brick-and-mortar premises") to workers, customers, and the public as of the effective date and time of this proclamation. Businesses that do not provide COVID-19 Essential Services are encouraged to continue operations through remote means that do not require workers, customers, or the public to enter or appear at the brick-and-mortar premises closed pursuant to this proclamation. With that said, such non-essential businesses may continue to access their brick-and-mortar premises in order to conduct essential business functions including, but not limited to, processing mail, depositing checks, completing payroll and paying vendors; as long as social distancing requirements are being implemented, and the fewest number of employees possible are on premises when conducting such services. Churches, temples, mosques, and other places of worship shall not be required to close their brick-and-mortar premises to employees or to the public; provided, however, that

such institutions shall be required to comply with all limitations on gatherings established by Governor Janet T. Mills' March 15, 2020 executive order outlined in paragraph 2 above.

8. All businesses providing COVID-19 Essential Services are strongly encouraged to remain open. To the greatest extent feasible, COVID-19 Essential Services shall comply with social distancing protocols by maintaining at least six (6) feet of physical distance from other people, including other employees and members of the public, including, but not limited to, when any customers are standing in line, and allow and encourage remote working where practical.
9. Housing insecurity because of involuntary unemployment, extended sickness, or required quarantine as a result of a public health emergency in Maine is a subject of general concern. Losing a home is catastrophic at any time, and during the COVID-19 emergency in particular, losing housing endangers the public peace, health, and safety of all loss of all residents of the City. Public health and safety are promoted by stabilizing households, which, through no fault of their own, may suddenly have the inability to afford rent; and

COVID-19 has had a significant and, in many instances, devastating impact on local businesses. The need for businesses offering non-essential services to close bricks-and-mortar locations in order to reduce person-to-person contact and help "flatten the curve," has resulted in significant financial hardship to many of the local businesses that are so critical to the City, its economy, and our shared sense of place. Public health and safety are promoted by stabilizing these critical businesses which, through no fault of their own, may suddenly have drastically reduced operation and income and a sudden inability to afford rent for their commercial spaces; and

In light of the current COVID-19 pandemic, the Maine Judicial Court's suspension of eviction cases until May 1, 2020, and the shared need for all members of our community to work cooperatively to protect the public health and safety, all owners of residential and commercial rental properties within the City of Portland are hereby requested to rescind or suspend all terminations of all leases or tenancies, including tenancies at will (both residential and commercial) for non-payment of rent beginning March 1, 2020 until 30 days after the termination of this Proclamation if the tenant is able to show an inability to pay rent due to circumstances related to the COVID-19 pandemic. These circumstances include loss of income due to a COVID-19 related workplace or business closure, child care expenditures due to school closures, health care expenses related to being ill with COVID-19 or caring for a member of the tenant's household who is ill with COVID-19, or reasonable expenditures that stem from government-ordered emergency measures. The requested limitation does not extend to cases where a tenant causes substantial damage to the property or the other bases for termination of tenancies contained in 14 M.R.S. § 6002(A), (B), (D), (E) & (F) nor would it eliminate the obligation of tenants to pay rent.

10. The laws and rules outlined in the Land Use Code, including, but not limited to, the Site Plan, Subdivision, Historic Preservation Ordinance, and other procedures

applicable to the City planning and land use application and review processes contained in Chapter 14, to the extent they impose limitations on the amount of time permitted for the holding of public hearings, the certification of applications, the holding of neighborhood meetings, the submission of recommendations, any required or necessary voting, the taking of final actions, and the issuance of determinations, are suspended, and any such time limitations are tolled for the duration of this Proclamation.

11. The neighborhood meetings required in Chapter 14 of the City Code may be conducted by an applicant remotely through telephonic, video, electronic or other similar means of remote participation under the following conditions: A. Notice of the neighborhood meeting has been widely given to the parties required by the City's code to receive notice by electronic, telephonic, or other means and includes the method by which the public and interested parties may attend; B. The applicant and all individuals speaking on behalf of the applicant in the remote meeting are able to hear and speak during the meeting and members of the public attending the remote meeting are able to hear the applicant and its representatives; and C. Members of the public attending the remote meeting are able to participate through telephonic, video, electronic or other similar means of remote participation.
12. For the duration of this Proclamation , unless earlier rescinded by the City Council, the City Manager may suspend, by written agreement with a person, entity, or service provider providing emergency and essential services, suspend the rules and laws relating to Buildings and Building Regulations (Chapter 6), Licenses and Permits (Chapter 15), and Fire Prevention and Protection (Chapter 10) for all projects or properties undertaking temporary emergency and essential services during the duration of the declared State and City State of Emergency. Any agreement shall outline programmatic details and demonstrate, to the Manager's satisfaction, that the property and land use being undertaken meets minimum life safety requirements and that the suspension of the rules and laws suspended hereunder and otherwise applicable will not unduly impact the health and safety of the public.
13. The laws and rules outlined in the Licenses and Permits Code (Chapter 15) and the Vehicles for Hire Code (Chapter 30), to the extent they impose deadlines for renewing existing licenses, taking action on applications for new or renewal licenses, or issuing new or renewal licenses are suspended, and any such time limitations are tolled for the duration of this Proclamation.
14. No City-issued permit, license, application, or appeal shall be considered granted, approved or denied, constructively or otherwise, due to a failure of the permit granting authority to act within the time required by a City ordinance, bylaw, rule or regulation; provided, however, that the permit granting authority acts within 45 days of the termination of this Proclamation; provided, however, that the applicant and Permit Granting Authority may agree to alternative timing in writing.
- 15.. A City-issued permit in effect or existence as of March 16, 2020, including any deadlines or conditions of the permit, shall not lapse or otherwise expire and the expiration date of the permit or time period for meeting a deadline or for performance

of a condition of the permit, shall be tolled for the duration of this Proclamation.

16. The tax payment due dates/deadlines specified in Order No. 245 (FY-18-19), the FY 19-20 Appropriation Resolve, may be extended by the City Manager, in consultation with the City Finance Director and the Mayor during the duration of the declared State and City State of Emergency.
17. This proclamation shall be effective as of **March 30, 2020 7:00 p.m.**
18. This order shall remain in effect for Twenty-Eight (28) days.
19. Effective immediately, renting, letting, advertising for rent, or entering into an agreement for the rent of any Short Term Rental, as defined in Sec. 6-150 of the Portland City Code, is hereby prohibited. Any individual(s) currently occupying a Short-Term Rental on or before March 30, 2020, may continue such occupancy, but all such rental agreements or arrangements for such Short-Term Rentals shall be terminated by operation of this paragraph on or before April 6, 2020. Nothing in this paragraph shall be construed, however, to bar or preclude a Short-Term Rental from being used to provide housing to medical/healthcare professionals or first responders, if such housing is funded by the Maine Emergency Management Association; or to provide emergency housing to an individual experiencing homelessness through the operation of the State of Maine's General Assistance program; or for residents of the City of Portland who are self-isolating as a result of illness or risk of exposure to COVID-19.
20. Consistent with Governor Janet T. Mills' April 10, 2020 Executive Order, the municipal election scheduled for June 9, 2020 is hereby rescheduled to July 14, 2020 to reduce exposure to COVID-19 and to coincide with the July 14, 2020 primary election.
21. Violation of or failure to comply with this Order is punishable by a fine of \$500.00 per occurrence plus the costs of prosecution.
22. If any provision of this Proclamation or its application to any person or circumstance is held to be invalid, then the remainder of the Order, including the application of such part or provision to other persons or circumstances, shall not be affected and shall continue in full force and effect. To this end, the provisions of this Proclamation are severable.

EXHIBIT A

Essential Business/Retail Services:

- Grocery Stores
- Household Goods
- Convenience Stores and Gas Stations
- Hardware Stores and Home Repair
- Automobile Repair
- Bicycle Repair
- Pharmacy and Other Medical Supply Stores
- Medical Marijuana Dispensaries and Caregivers
- Post Offices and Shipping Outlets
- Office Supplies
- Electronics and Communications
- Banks and Credit Unions
- Laundromats and Dry Cleaning
- Animal Feed and Pet Supply Stores
- Truck Delivery and Distribution of Goods
- Hotel and Commercial Lodging
- Garden Stores and Green Houses
- Restaurants and Bars – Curbside Pickup, Takeout, and Delivery Only
- Fishing Supply and Bait Shops
- Rental Centers – Appliances Only
- Federal Firearms Licensee

Other Essential Services:

- Boat Builders
- Food Processing and Agriculture
- Fishing and Aquaculture
- Industrial Manufacturing
- Maintenance and Property Management
- Trash Collection, Transfer Stations and Redemption Centers
- Forest Products
- Psychiatric and Long-Term Care Facilities Group Homes and Residential Treatment Facilities
- Biomedical
- Life Science
- Behavioral Health, Health Care, Dental Care, and Long-Term Services and Supports Providers and Organizations
- Child Care Providers
- Veterinary Clinics and Animal Welfare
- Public Transportation
- All Utilities Such as Electricity, Water, Wastewater and Telecommunications
- Heating Fuel Maintenance and Delivery
- School Employees and Child Nutrition Programs

- Food Banks and Food Pantries
- Fully Automated Car Washes Only
- Plumbers and Electricians

Essential Critical Infrastructure Workforce

HEALTHCARE / PUBLIC HEALTH

- Workers providing COVID-19 testing; Workers that perform critical clinical research needed for COVID-19 response
- Caregivers (e.g., physicians, dentists, psychologists, mid-level practitioners, nurses and assistants, infection control and quality assurance personnel, pharmacists, physical and occupational therapists and assistants, social workers, speech pathologists and diagnostic and therapeutic technicians and technologists)
- Hospital and laboratory personnel (including accounting, administrative, admitting and discharge, engineering, epidemiological, source plasma and blood donation, food service, housekeeping, medical records, information technology and operational technology, nutritionists, sanitarians, respiratory therapists, etc.)
- Workers in other medical facilities (including Ambulatory Health and Surgical, Blood Banks, Clinics, Community Mental Health, Comprehensive Outpatient rehabilitation, End Stage Renal Disease, Health Departments, Home Health care, Hospices, Hospitals, Long Term Care, Organ Pharmacies, Procurement Organizations, Psychiatric Residential, Rural Health Clinics and Federally Qualified Health Centers)
- Manufacturers, technicians, logistics and warehouse operators, and distributors of medical equipment, personal protective equipment (PPE), medical gases, pharmaceuticals, blood and blood products, vaccines, testing materials, laboratory supplies, cleaning, sanitizing, disinfecting or sterilization supplies, and tissue and paper towel products
- Public health / community health workers, including those who compile, model, analyze and communicate public health information
- Blood and plasma donors and the employees of the organizations that operate and manage related activities
- Workers that manage health plans, billing, and health information, who cannot practically work remotely
- Workers who conduct community-based public health functions, conducting epidemiologic surveillance, compiling, analyzing and communicating public health information, who cannot practically work remotely
- Workers performing cybersecurity functions at healthcare and public health facilities, who cannot practically work remotely
- Workers conducting research critical to COVID-19 response
- Workers performing security, incident management, and emergency operations functions at or on behalf of healthcare entities including healthcare coalitions, who cannot practically work remotely
- Workers who support food, shelter, and social services, and other necessities of life for economically disadvantaged or otherwise needy individuals, such as those residing in shelters
- Pharmacy employees necessary for filling prescriptions
- Workers performing mortuary services, including funeral homes, crematoriums, and cemetery workers
- Workers who coordinate with other organizations to ensure the proper recovery, handling, identification, transportation, tracking, storage, and disposal of human remains and personal effects; certify cause of death; and facilitate access to mental/behavioral health services to the family members, responders, and survivors of an incident

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Essential Critical Infrastructure Workforce

LAW ENFORCEMENT, PUBLIC SAFETY, FIRST RESPONDERS

- Personnel in emergency management, law enforcement, Emergency Management Systems, fire, and corrections, including front line and management
- Emergency Medical Technicians
- 911 call center employees
- Fusion Center employees
- Hazardous material responders from government and the private sector.
- Workers – including contracted vendors – who maintain digital systems infrastructure supporting law enforcement and emergency service operations.

FOOD AND AGRICULTURE

- Workers supporting groceries, pharmacies and other retail that sells food and beverage products
- Restaurant carry-out and quick serve food operations - Carry-out and delivery food employees
- Food manufacturer employees and their supplier employees—to include those employed in food processing (packers, meat processing, cheese plants, milk plants, produce, etc.) facilities; livestock, poultry, seafood slaughter facilities; pet and animal feed processing facilities; human food facilities producing by-products for animal food; beverage production facilities; and the production of food packaging
- Farm workers to include those employed in animal food, feed, and ingredient production, packaging, and distribution; manufacturing, packaging, and distribution of veterinary drugs; truck delivery and transport; farm and fishery labor needed to produce our food supply domestically
- Farm workers and support service workers to include those who field crops; commodity inspection; fuel ethanol facilities; storage facilities; and other agricultural inputs
- Employees and firms supporting food, feed, and beverage distribution, including warehouse workers, vendor-managed inventory controllers and blockchain managers
- Workers supporting the sanitation of all food manufacturing processes and operations from wholesale to retail
- Company cafeterias - in-plant cafeterias used to feed employees
- Workers in food testing labs in private industries and in institutions of higher education
- Workers essential for assistance programs and government payments
- Employees of companies engaged in the production of chemicals, medicines, vaccines, and other substances used by the food and agriculture industry, including pesticides, herbicides, fertilizers, minerals, enrichments, and other agricultural production aids
- Animal agriculture workers to include those employed in veterinary health; manufacturing and distribution of animal medical materials, animal vaccines, animal drugs, feed ingredients, feed, and bedding, etc.; transportation of live animals, animal medical materials; transportation of deceased animals for disposal; raising of animals for food; animal production operations; slaughter and packing plants and associated regulatory and government workforce
- Workers who support the manufacture and distribution of forest products, including, but not limited to timber, paper, and other wood products
- Employees engaged in the manufacture and maintenance of equipment and other infrastructure necessary to agricultural production and distribution

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Essential Critical Infrastructure Workforce

ENERGY

Electricity industry:

- Workers who maintain, ensure, or restore the generation, transmission, and distribution of electric power, including call centers, utility workers, reliability engineers and fleet maintenance technicians
- Workers needed for safe and secure operations at nuclear generation
- Workers at generation, transmission, and electric blackstart facilities
- Workers at Reliability Coordinator (RC), Balancing Authorities (BA), and primary and backup Control Centers (CC), including but not limited to independent system operators, regional transmission organizations, and balancing authorities
- Mutual assistance personnel
- IT and OT technology staff – for EMS (Energy Management Systems) and Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) systems, and utility data centers; Cybersecurity engineers; cybersecurity risk management
- Vegetation management crews and traffic workers who support
- Environmental remediation/monitoring technicians
- Instrumentation, protection, and control technicians

Petroleum workers:

- Petroleum product storage, pipeline, marine transport, terminals, rail transport, road transport
- Crude oil storage facilities, pipeline, and marine transport
- Petroleum refinery facilities
- Petroleum security operations center employees and workers who support emergency response services
- Petroleum operations control rooms/centers
- Petroleum drilling, extraction, production, processing, refining, terminal operations, transporting, and retail for use as end-use fuels or feedstocks for chemical manufacturing
- Onshore and offshore operations for maintenance and emergency response
- Retail fuel centers such as gas stations and truck stops, and the distribution systems that support them

Natural and propane gas workers:

- Natural gas transmission and distribution pipelines, including compressor stations
- Underground storage of natural gas
- Natural gas processing plants, and those that deal with natural gas liquids
- Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) facilities
- Natural gas security operations center, natural gas operations dispatch and control rooms/centers natural gas emergency response and customer emergencies, including natural gas leak calls
- Drilling, production, processing, refining, and transporting natural gas for use as end-use fuels, feedstocks for chemical manufacturing, or use in electricity generation
- Propane gas dispatch and control rooms and emergency response and customer emergencies, including propane leak calls
- Propane gas service maintenance and restoration, including call centers

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Essential Critical Infrastructure Workforce

- Processing, refining, and transporting natural liquids, including propane gas, for use as end-use fuels or feedstocks for chemical manufacturing
- Propane gas storage, transmission, and distribution centers

WATER AND WASTEWATER

Employees needed to operate and maintain drinking water and wastewater/drainage infrastructure, including:

- Operational staff at water authorities
- Operational staff at community water systems
- Operational staff at wastewater treatment facilities
- Workers repairing water and wastewater conveyances and performing required sampling or monitoring
- Operational staff for water distribution and testing
- Operational staff at wastewater collection facilities
- Operational staff and technical support for SCADA Control systems
- Chemical disinfectant suppliers for wastewater and personnel protection
- Workers that maintain digital systems infrastructure supporting water and wastewater operations

TRANSPORTATION AND LOGISTICS

- Employees supporting or enabling transportation functions, including dispatchers, maintenance and repair technicians, warehouse workers, truck stop and rest area workers, and workers that maintain and inspect infrastructure (including those that require cross-border travel)
- Employees of firms providing services that enable logistics operations, including cooling, storing, packaging, and distributing products for wholesale or retail sale or use.
- Mass transit workers
- Workers responsible for operating dispatching passenger, commuter and freight trains and maintaining rail infrastructure and equipment
- Maritime transportation workers - port workers, mariners, equipment operators
- Truck drivers who haul hazardous and waste materials to support critical infrastructure, capabilities, functions, and services
- Automotive repair and maintenance facilities
- Manufacturers and distributors (to include service centers and related operations) of packaging materials, pallets, crates, containers, and other supplies needed to support manufacturing, packaging staging and distribution operations
- Postal and shipping workers, to include private companies
- Employees who repair and maintain vehicles, aircraft, rail equipment, marine vessels, and the equipment and infrastructure that enables operations that encompass movement of cargo and passengers
- Air transportation employees, including air traffic controllers, ramp personnel, aviation security, and aviation management
- Workers who support the maintenance and operation of cargo by air transportation, including flight crews, maintenance, airport operations, and other on- and off- airport facilities workers

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Essential Critical Infrastructure Workforce

PUBLIC WORKS

- Workers who support the operation, inspection, and maintenance of essential dams, locks and levees
- Workers who support the operation, inspection, and maintenance of essential public works facilities and operations, including bridges, water and sewer main breaks, fleet maintenance personnel, construction of critical or strategic infrastructure, traffic signal maintenance, emergency location services for buried utilities, maintenance of digital systems infrastructure supporting public works operations, and other emergent issues
- Workers such as plumbers, electricians, exterminators, and other service providers who provide services that are necessary to maintaining the safety, sanitation, and essential operation of residences
- Support, such as road and line clearing, to ensure the availability of needed facilities, transportation, energy and communications
- Support to ensure the effective removal, storage, and disposal of residential and commercial solid waste and hazardous waste

COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

Communications:

- Maintenance of communications infrastructure- including privately owned and maintained communication systems- supported by technicians, operators, call-centers, wireline and wireless providers, cable service providers, satellite operations, undersea cable landing stations, Internet Exchange Points, and manufacturers and distributors of communications equipment
- Workers who support radio, television, and media service, including, but not limited to front line news reporters, studio, and technicians for newsgathering and reporting
- Workers at Independent System Operators and Regional Transmission Organizations, and Network Operations staff, engineers and/or technicians to manage the network or operate facilities
- Engineers, technicians and associated personnel responsible for infrastructure construction and restoration, including contractors for construction and engineering of fiber optic cables
- Installation, maintenance and repair technicians that establish, support or repair service as needed
- Central office personnel to maintain and operate central office, data centers, and other network office facilities
- Customer service and support staff, including managed and professional services as well as remote providers of support to transitioning employees to set up and maintain home offices, who interface with customers to manage or support service environments and security issues, including payroll, billing, fraud, and troubleshooting
- Dispatchers involved with service repair and restoration

Information Technology:

- Workers who support command centers, including, but not limited to Network Operations Command Center, Broadcast Operations Control Center and Security Operations Command Center
- Data center operators, including system administrators, HVAC & electrical engineers, security personnel, IT managers, data transfer solutions engineers, software and hardware engineers, and database administrators
- Client service centers, field engineers, and other technicians supporting critical infrastructure, as well as

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Essential Critical Infrastructure Workforce

manufacturers and supply chain vendors that provide hardware and software, and information technology equipment (to include microelectronics and semiconductors) for critical infrastructure

- Workers responding to cyber incidents involving critical infrastructure, including medical facilities, SLTT governments and federal facilities, energy and utilities, and banks and financial institutions, and other critical infrastructure categories and personnel
- Workers supporting the provision of essential global, national and local infrastructure for computing services (incl. cloud computing services), business infrastructure, web-based services, and critical manufacturing
- Workers supporting communications systems and information technology used by law enforcement, public safety, medical, energy and other critical industries
- Support required for continuity of services, including janitorial/cleaning personnel

OTHER COMMUNITY-BASED GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS AND ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS

- Workers to ensure continuity of building functions
- Security staff to maintain building access control and physical security measures
- Elections personnel
- Federal, State, and Local, Tribal, and Territorial employees who support Mission Essential Functions and communications networks
- Trade Officials (FTA negotiators; international data flow administrators)
- Weather forecasters
- Workers that maintain digital systems infrastructure supporting other critical government operations
- Workers at operations centers necessary to maintain other essential functions
- Workers who support necessary credentialing, vetting and licensing operations for transportation workers
- Customs workers who are critical to facilitating trade in support of the national emergency response supply chain
- Educators supporting public and private K-12 schools, colleges, and universities for purposes of facilitating distance learning or performing other essential functions, if operating under rules for social distancing
- Hotel Workers where hotels are used for COVID-19 mitigation and containment measures

CRITICAL MANUFACTURING

- Workers necessary for the manufacturing of materials and products needed for medical supply chains, transportation, energy, communications, food and agriculture, chemical manufacturing, nuclear facilities, the operation of dams, water and wastewater treatment, emergency services, and the defense industrial base.

HAZARDOUS MATERIALS

- Workers at nuclear facilities, workers managing medical waste, workers managing waste from pharmaceuticals and medical material production, and workers at laboratories processing test kits
- Workers who support hazardous materials response and cleanup
- Workers who maintain digital systems infrastructure supporting hazardous materials management operations

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Essential Critical Infrastructure Workforce

FINANCIAL SERVICES

- Workers who are needed to process and maintain systems for processing financial transactions and services (e.g., payment, clearing, and settlement; wholesale funding; insurance services; and capital markets activities)
- Workers who are needed to provide consumer access to banking and lending services, including ATMs, and to move currency and payments (e.g., armored cash carriers)
- Workers who support financial operations, such as those staffing data and security operations centers

CHEMICAL

- Workers supporting the chemical and industrial gas supply chains, including workers at chemical manufacturing plants, workers in laboratories, workers at distribution facilities, workers who transport basic raw chemical materials to the producers of industrial and consumer goods, including hand sanitizers, food and food additives, pharmaceuticals, textiles, and paper products.
- Workers supporting the safe transportation of chemicals, including those supporting tank truck cleaning facilities and workers who manufacture packaging items
- Workers supporting the production of protective cleaning and medical solutions, personal protective equipment, and packaging that prevents the contamination of food, water, medicine, among others essential products
- Workers supporting the operation and maintenance of facilities (particularly those with high risk chemicals and/or sites that cannot be shut down) whose work cannot be done remotely and requires the presence of highly trained personnel to ensure safe operations, including plant contract workers who provide inspections
- Workers who support the production and transportation of chlorine and alkali manufacturing, single-use plastics, and packaging that prevents the contamination or supports the continued manufacture of food, water, medicine, and other essential products, including glass container manufacturing

DEFENSE INDUSTRIAL BASE

- Workers who support the essential services required to meet national security commitments to the federal government and U.S. Military. These individuals, include but are not limited to, aerospace; mechanical and software engineers, manufacturing/production workers; IT support; security staff; security personnel; intelligence support, aircraft and weapon system mechanics and maintainers
- Personnel working for companies, and their subcontractors, who perform under contract to the Department of Defense providing materials and services to the Department of Defense, and government-owned/contractor-operated and government-owned/government-operated facilities

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Guidelines for Real Estate as an Essential Business

Real Estate is an essential business, but in order to remain open they must adhere to the following guidelines.

Commercial Real Estate – multi-unit properties of more than 4 units

- Showings will only be done virtually by the listing agent. Listing agent to wear foot covering and gloves when entering the properties.
- Inspections will be completed by the building inspector only. Building inspectors will wear foot covering and gloves when entering the properties.

Residential Real Estate

- Agents and buyers narrow down houses to a few to “View”
- Real estate agent goes to the property and uses technology to “live stream” out to the buyer. Real estate agent to wear foot covering when entering the properties.
- Buyer selects one house and then can do a walk thru with the approval of the seller. Buyer and Real Estate Agent wear foot covering and gloves while doing walk thru.
- Purchase and sale to be done electronically
- Inspections will be completed by the building inspector only. Building inspectors will wear foot covering and gloves when entering the properties.
- Appraisers use all efforts to not enter the home. If necessary, appraiser to wear foot covering and gloves
- Closing to be done using as many social distancing practices as possible.