



COLCHESTER, CONNECTICUT

Mary Bylone
First Selectman

EXECUTIVE ORDER #2

PROTECTION OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY DURING COVID-19 PANDEMIC AND RESPONSE –Declaration of a Local Civil Preparedness Emergency

WHEREAS, on March 10, 2020, the Governor declared a Local Civil Preparedness due to the global pandemic of coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19);

WHEREAS, the projected shortage of supplies needed to address and prevent the disease and the national, state and local public health officials' recommendation to limit meeting in large groups and practice social distancing;

WHEREAS, COVID-19 is a respiratory disease that spreads easily from person to person and may result in serious illness or death; and

WHEREAS, to reduce spread of COVID-19, the United States Center for Disease Control and Prevention and the Connecticut Department of Public Health recommend implementation of community mitigation strategies to increase containment of the virus and to slow down the transmission of the virus, including cancellation of large gatherings and social distancing in smaller gatherings; and

WHEREAS, the Governor of Connecticut in his Executive Order 7C cancelled classes in public schools for at least two weeks, provided for closure and remote conduct of business at Department of Motor Vehicle branches, extended deadlines for municipal budget preparations and other restrictions;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mary Bylone, First Selectman of the Town of Colchester, under the authority in Section 28a(a), do hereby **DECLARE AND ORDER THAT, effective at 8 PM EST today, Friday, March 14, 2020:**

1. I have declared a Local Civil Preparedness due to the global pandemic of COVID-19
2. Town Hall will be closed to visitors except by appointment.
3. Modifications to services will be posted on the Town Hall Website and kept up to date
4. Senior Center will continue to provide meals, but they will be delivered
5. The Food Bank will continue to provide food and fuel assistance by appointment
6. Citizens are directed to utilize online registration and payment when available.

These actions will remain in effect until further notice.

Witness

Date: 3-14-2020

Local Time: 2:25 pm

BY:

TOWN OF COLCHESTER

Mary Bylone
First Selectman

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