

**CITY OF GROVETOWN
RESOLUTION TO EXTEND SUSPENSION OF CITY OPERATIONS**

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-04-02

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GROVETOWN, GEORGIA, IN RESPONSE TO GOVERNOR BRIAN KEMP'S SHELTER IN PLACE EXECUTIVE ORDER ISSUED ON APRIL 2, 2020.

WHEREAS, this Resolution is in response to Governor Brian Kemp's Executive Order requiring visitors and residents of the State of Georgia to shelter in place (Executive Order No. 04.02.20.01);

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Mayor and City Council that the provisions of this Resolution are consistent with the shelter in place Executive Order issued by the Governor;

WHEREAS, on March 18, 2020 the Mayor and City Council of the City of Grovetown, Georgia passed Resolution 2020-03-04 providing that all City offices, facilities and parks be closed effective at midnight. Wednesday, March 18, 2020 through Sunday, March 29, 2020, in response to the Public Health State of Emergency;

WHEREAS, on March 27, 2020 the Mayor and City Council of the City of Grovetown, Georgia passed Resolution 2020-03-06 extending the closure of City offices, facilities and parks through Sunday, April 12, 2020;

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council desire to modify the closure of City offices, facilities, and parks in response to the Governor's shelter in place Executive Order issued on April 2, 2020 at 3:12 p.m.;

THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Grovetown, Georgia as follows:

- (a) Resolution No. 2020-03-06 is hereby repealed as of the adoption date of this Resolution. This repealer shall not invalidate any actions previously taken pursuant to Resolution 2020-03-06.
- (b) All City offices, facilities and select parks will remain closed from the adoption date of this Resolution through May 13, 2020 at 11:59 p.m. in response to the shelter in place Executive Order. Euchee Creek Walking Trails shall reopen for citizen use. Citizens shall observe social distancing guidelines (6 ft. apart) while using the walking trails. The following parks shall remain closed: Liberty Park Fields and Community Center; Kiddie Park on Whiskey Road; Goodale Park; and City Hall Veteran's Park with associated gazebo.
- (c) All public safety personnel, including Grovetown Department of Public Safety, Fire

Rescue and Emergency Medical Services will continue to operate as essential Critical Infrastructure workforce during the closure.

- (d) For the duration of this Resolution, the use of online City services is encouraged and no late fees for City services will be incurred and utility services will not be disconnected.
- (e) During the closure, the City will be staffed with select essential Critical Infrastructure workforce and select Minimum Basic Operations personnel during regular business hours. Citizens may contact the City at the following telephone number during regular business hours: 706-863-4576, Option 1. City Administration will also be available to make decisions on other services being requested during the time of closure.
- (f) City employees working during the closure extension will receive their customary and regular pay for hours worked. City employees not reporting to City facilities, offices or worksites during the closure are hereby placed on “standby” or “on-call” status. During regular City business hours, these employees shall:
 - (1) Shelter in place in compliance with the Governor’s Executive Order;
 - (2) Remain within the Central Savannah River Area (CSRA) region;
 - (3) Check in at regular intervals and remain reachable via telephone, radio dispatch, text and email;
 - (4) Be able to report to work within a relatively short period of time; and
 - (5) Engage in telework if the employee’s job duties allow.

“Standby” and “on-call” status employees will be paid their regular salary during the closure extension.

- (g) If one or more of the provisions contained in this Resolution shall be held to be invalid, in violation of the Georgia Constitution, in violation of Georgia law or Executive Order, or unenforceable in any respect, such invalidity, violation, or unenforceability shall not affect any other provisions of this Resolution, but, in such case, this Resolution shall be construed as if such invalid, illegal, or unenforceable provision had never been contained within the Resolution.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Resolution has been duly adopted by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Grovetown on this _____ day of April, 2020.

Eric Blair, Mayor Pro Tempore

Attested by: _____
Roxanne Brown
City Clerk