

Declaration of Local State of Emergency

State of Illinois
County of Peoria
City of Peoria
June 12, 2021

Pursuant to the authority vested in the office of the Mayor by the Illinois Municipal Code Section 5/11-1-6, the Illinois Emergency Management Agency Act Section 3305/11 and Ordinance Sec. 7-35.2 of the City of Peoria, I, Rita Ali, the Mayor of the City of Peoria do hereby declare that a Local State of Emergency exists as of this date, Saturday, June 12, 2021, and shall continue until such time as provided in Ordinance Sec. 7-35.2, the first regular meeting of the City Council on June 22, 2021 or a duly called and noticed special City Council meeting prior to June 22, 2021.

In late 2019 a new and significant outbreak of Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) occurred. COVID-19 is a novel virus that can cause severe acute respiratory illness that can spread among people and present symptoms similar to influenza. Despite efforts to contain the disease, the World Health Organization (WHO) and Centers for Disease Control (CDC) indicate it will continue to spread. And cause widespread impacts on the health of members of the community. While the State of Illinois is scheduled to enter into Phase 5 of the State's reopening plan on Friday, June 11, 2021, the Governor has executive orders in place until June 26, 2021. Such order suspends certain provisions of the Open Meetings Act, among other items.

During the existence of the Local State of Emergency, the Mayor shall execute such orders which are imminently necessary for the protection of life as provided under the Illinois Municipal Code, the Illinois Emergency Management Agency Act and Ordinance Sec. 7-35.2, including, but not limited to:

- Implement the re-opening of City Hall and other public buildings to allow public access in line with state and federal public health guidelines.
- Evaluate and create temporary procedures for public meetings to be conducted remotely pursuant to the Governor's executive orders.

This Declaration of Local State of Emergency shall be filed with the City Clerk as soon as practicable.

I, Rita Ali, whose name is signed to this instrument, being first duly sworn, signed and executed the instrument as the Declaration of Local State of Emergency, and that I signed willingly, and that I executed it as my free and voluntary act for the purposes therein expressed.

Mayor Rita Ali

NOTARY ACKNOWLEDGMENT

On this _____ day of _____, 2021, personally appeared the above-named Rita Ali and acknowledged the foregoing to be her free act and deed, before me.

My Commission Expires: _____

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Print: _____