



City of Firebaugh
Police Department

To: Firebaugh Residents and Business Owners
From: Chief Salvador Raygoza, Director of Emergency Services
Date: April 7, 2020
Re: Official Order for Social Distancing Within the City of Firebaugh

Consistent with Federal and State Declarations of Emergency related to **COVID-19**, on March 19, 2020 the City Council declared a local emergency. In order to protect the health of the entire community and promote social distancing due to **COVID-19**, all City parks will remain closed.

Additionally, we understand that this weekend families and friends come together at their homes to celebrate the Easter holiday. Health officials have reported that **COVID-19 can be spread by people who DO NOT show any symptoms**. In order to reduce the spread, residents are ordered not to have anyone who does not reside in the home to come into their homes. For those who are unclear, 'ANYONE' is someone who is not a member of your household which includes, but is not limited to, mother, father, brother, sister, son, daughter, grandparents, grandchildren, friends, boyfriend, girlfriend, or fiancés. ANYONE who DOES NOT live at your address is NOT allowed to be at your home. The only exceptions are for essential care (medical, utility repairs, etc.) at the residence.

Therefore, there will be an increase in police presence around City parks to assure compliance, as well as, breaking up social gatherings and issuing citations for non-compliance.

Firebaugh businesses are being ordered to follow the following business hours until further notice. Local businesses will remain closed between the hours of 10:00 PM and 6:00 AM. The City of Firebaugh also has expectation that businesses will comply with City measures and will follow the State guidelines. Unfortunately, this measure is absolutely necessary to stop the spread of **COVID-19**.

In order to promote health and safety, let's not get complacent -- Stay at Home and only leave for essential business.

We are a strong, caring, and a diverse group of people, in Firebaugh. We will overcome the current crisis, but we can only do this by following instructions and changing the way we do things on a daily basis.

Please contact the Firebaugh Police Department, if you have any questions regarding this local order (559) 659-3051.

