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An Administrative Order 2020 MAR 19 PM 5: 59 Administrative Order No. 2020- 06
Office of the Mayor
City of Atlanta

**OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
AN ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER**

AN ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER DIRECTING THE CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER TO COORDINATE WITH THE COMMISSIONER OF THE ATLANTA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, THE COMMISSIONER OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, AND THE CHIEF OF THE ATLANTA POLICE DEPARTMENT TO DISSEMINATE DIRECTION TO ALL PARKING ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS THAT THEY SHALL REFRAIN FROM TAKING ANY ACTION TO ENFORCE THE PARKING REGULATIONS SET FORTH IN CHAPTER 150, DIVISION 3 OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA CODE OF ORDINANCES THROUGH THE TOWING OF VEHICLES, AND/OR THE IMMOBILIZATION OF VEHICLES PARKED IN RESTRICTED AREAS OF THE CITY'S RIGHT OF WAY AS DESCRIBED IN CHAPTER 150, DIVISION 3 OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA CODE, FOR A PERIOD NOT TO EXCEED SIXTY (60) DAYS.

WHEREAS, our vision for One Atlanta centers around five Citywide goals focused on creating a safe, welcoming, and inclusive City; world-class employees, infrastructure and services; an ethical, transparent, and fiscally responsible government; thriving neighborhoods, communities, and businesses; and residents who are equipped for success; and

WHEREAS, the One Atlanta vision serves as the framework for creating a more Affordable, Equitable, and Resilient city; and

WHEREAS, like much of the world the United States, the State of Georgia, and the City of Atlanta are currently responding to an outbreak of respiratory disease caused by a novel coronavirus named "SARS-CoV-2" and the disease it causes named "coronavirus disease 2019" (abbreviated "COVID-19"); and

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020 the World Health Organization declared the COVID-19 outbreak a pandemic; and

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020 the President of the United States announced a national emergency in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, which included two emergency declarations: one under the National Emergencies Act and one under the Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act; and

WHEREAS, on March 14, 2020 Governor Brian Kemp signed a public health state of emergency to address the COVID-19 pandemic through assisting health and emergency management officials across Georgia by deploying all available resources for the mitigation and treatment of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on March 14, the Georgia State Supreme Court declared a statewide judicial emergency for a period of thirty days; and

WHEREAS, on March 15, 2020 all City of Atlanta facilities, including City Hall and Municipal Court were closed to the public beginning March 16, 2020, until further notice; and

WHEREAS, the Center for Disease Control (“CDC”) has issued guidance on the emerging and rapidly evolving situation of the COVID-19 pandemic, including how to protect oneself from this illness; and

WHEREAS, social distancing is recommended by the CDC to prevent the continued spreading of this illness in the community; and

WHEREAS, as on March 16, 2020, the Centers for Disease Control advised that during the next fifteen (15) days, all events in the United States of ten (10) or more people should be cancelled or held virtually; and

WHEREAS, as a result of the outbreak many persons throughout the United States, including in the Metro Atlanta Area, have been confined to their homes in order self-quarantine or are engaging in social distancing to slow the spread of the COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, the necessity of the engaging in critical social distancing measures, is likely to have adverse impacts on the revenue of many businesses and the incomes of many individuals within the City of Atlanta; and

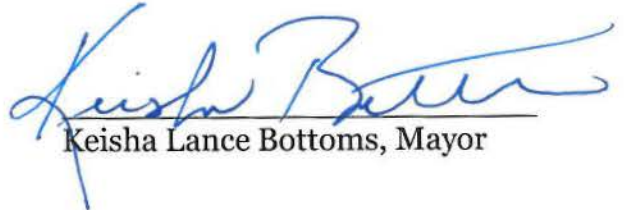
WHEREAS, City of Atlanta parking enforcement officers are authorized to enforce the parking regulations set forth in Chapter 150, Division 3 of the City of Atlanta Code of Ordinances through the towing of vehicles, and/or the immobilization of vehicles parked in restricted areas of the City’s right of way as described in Chapter 150, Division 3 of the City of Atlanta Code; and

WHEREAS, to help mitigate the negative impacts on those business entities and individuals which may experience negative impacts on revenue and incomes as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, I am hereby directing the Chief Operating Officer to coordinate with the Commissioner of the Atlanta Department of Transportation, the Commissioner of the Department of Public Works, and the Chief of the Atlanta Police Department to disseminate direction to all parking enforcement officers that they shall refrain from taking any action to enforce the parking regulations set forth in Chapter 150, Division 3 of the City of Atlanta Code of Ordinances through the towing of vehicles, and/or the immobilization of vehicles parked in restricted areas of the City’s right of way as described


in Chapter 150, Division 3 of the City of Atlanta Code, for a period not to exceed sixty (60) days.

NOW, THEREFORE, BY THE POWER VESTED IN ME AS MAYOR OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA, pursuant to Section 3-104 of the City of Atlanta Charter and Section 2-182(4) of the City of Atlanta Code of Ordinances, it is hereby ordered that the Chief Operating Officer shall coordinate with the Commissioner of the Atlanta Department of Transportation, the Commissioner of the Department of Public Works, and the Chief of the Atlanta Police Department to disseminate direction to all parking enforcement officers that they shall refrain from taking any action to enforce the parking regulations set forth in Chapter 150, Division 3 of the City of Atlanta Code of Ordinances through the towing of vehicles, and/or the immobilization of vehicles parked in restricted areas of the City's right of way as described in Chapter 150, Division 3 of the City of Atlanta Code, for a period not to exceed sixty (60) days.

SO ORDERED this 19th day of March, 2020.


Keisha Lance Bottoms, Mayor

ATTESTED:


Municipal Clerk
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Municipal Clerk