



COVID-19 Public Health

SUPPLEMENTAL ORDER- SUSPENSION OF THE VILLAGE OF OAK PARK'S RETAIL SINGLE-USE BAG FEE AND GUIDANCE ON REUSABLE BAGS

Issued: March 30, 2020

Effective Date: March 31, 2020 at 12:01 a.m.

**Expiration Date: Stay at Home Order no
Longer in Effect in the Village of Oak Park**

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Public Health Director
Department of Public Health
Village of Oak Park

Pursuant to Village of Oak Park Resolution 20-120 dated March 13, 2020, the Oak Park Village Board has declared an emergency affecting the public health due to the outbreak of the COVID-19 disease pursuant to Section 8-10-5 of the Illinois Municipal Code, 65 ILCS 5/8-10-5, and Sections 2-6-10, 2-27-9 and 20-1-6(Z) of the Oak Park Village Code. Pursuant to the Resolution, the Village's Public Health Director has the authority to make "reasonable rules, regulations and orders . . . as may from time to time be deemed necessary for the preservation and improvement of the public health and for the suppression of disease."

SUPPLEMENTAL ORDER

1. On March 20, 2020, State of Illinois Governor JB Pritzker's issued "Executive Order in Response to COVID-19" issued on March 20, 2020 ("COVID-19 Executive Order No. 8") which requires the people of the State of Illinois to stay at home through April 7, 2020, including in the Village of Oak Park ("Village"), and which is in effect in the Village.
2. Governor Pritzker's Order provides that local governments may adopt "provisions that are stricter" than those contained in his Order. COVID-19 Executive Order No. 8 at Section 1(18).
3. Per Governor Pritzker's order, the Illinois Department of Public Health released guidance dated March 30, 2020 titled "Recommended Guidance for Preventing Spread of COVID-19 in Grocery Stores." Said guidance includes preventative actions grocery stores may take to protect their employees and customers from COVID-19 infections. One such preventative action is that grocery stores "[c]onsider prohibiting the use of reusable bags." Recommended Guidance for Preventing Spread of COVID-19 in Grocery Stores, at Section III.
4. Pursuant to my authority as the Village's Public Health Director and consistent with the Illinois Department of Public Health's guidance set forth in Section 3 above, the Village's single-use bag fee of ten cents (\$0.10) set forth in Section 20-14-2 of the Oak Park Village Code is suspended

until such time as a stay at home order or similar type order is no longer in effect in the Village due to the outbreak of COVID-19 disease.

5. In addition, it is my guidance that if a customer wishes to use a reusable bag at an essential business while a stay at home order is in effect in the Village, only the customer should handle the reusable bag within that business, including for the loading of purchased goods into a reusable bag.

6. Nothing contained in this Order is intended to, or shall operate to, supersede any applicable State or federal law, order or rule, and to the extent of any conflict, such State or federal law, order or rule shall be applicable.

7. If any provision of this Order or its application to any person or circumstance is held to be invalid, then the remainder of the Order, including the application of such part or provision to other persons or circumstances, shall not be affected and shall continue in full force and effect. To this end, the provisions of this Order are severable.

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