

VILLAGE OF CROSS PLAINS

ORDINANCE 03-2020

AN ORDINANCE RELATED TO COVID-19 PREVENTION AND CONTROL IN THE VILLAGE OF CROSS PLAINS, DANE COUNTY, WISCONSIN

WHEREAS, in December of 2019, a novel strain of the coronavirus was detected, now named COVID-19, and it has spread throughout the world. COVID-19 was declared a public health emergency of international concern on January 30, 2020, and was ultimately declared a pandemic on March 11, 2020; and

WHEREAS, in Wisconsin, Governor Tony Evers declared a public health emergency on March 12, 2020, and directed all agencies to support efforts to respond to and contain COVID-19 in Wisconsin. At the national level, President Donald Trump proclaimed a national emergency concerning COVID-19 on March 13, 2020; and

WHEREAS, as of now, millions of people around the world have tested positive for COVID-19 and as a novel disease with uncertain immunity and no vaccination currently available, all of the population of the Village of Cross Plains is at risk; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Cross Plains is guided by the federal guidelines for “Opening up America Again” plan and the “Wisconsin Badger Bounce Back” Plan that both provide guidance and metrics that are designed to slowly and cautiously reopen businesses and activities in our communities. This ordinance is based on the foundations of federal and state guidance to slow the spread of COVID-19 and bring back the economy. The foundation for most public health and executive guidance has been based on “flattening the curve” to ensure healthcare capacity is not severely strained; and

WHEREAS, this is a critical time for Dane County and the Village of Cross Plains to maintain the momentum of minimizing the spread of COVID-19 and halt further transmission. Public Health Madison and Dane County (PHMDC) is using data and science to determine what actions are necessary across Dane County to slow the spread of COVID-19. To achieve this goal, PHMDC is assessing the percentage of individuals who test positive, the average number of daily cases, testing capacity, hospital capacity, contact tracing capacity, community spread, isolation and quarantine capacity, and research regarding virus transmission; and

WHEREAS, we know that physical contact and close proximity to other individuals may cause the spread of COVID-19, thereby endangering the public and placing undue strain on the healthcare system; and

WHEREAS, Wisconsin law provides broad authority and powers for local governments to provide for health, safety and welfare of its citizens.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby ordained that the Village Board for the Village of Cross Plains, Dane County, Wisconsin, under its authority in Chapter 323 of the Wisconsin State Statutes and Chapter 12 of the Village of Cross Plains Code of Ordinances hereby adopts this ordinance to continue controlling COVID-19 disease transmission throughout the Village of Cross Plains. Recognizing that the Village of Cross Plains has made progress in flattening the curve, this order focuses on the importance of continuation and resumption of businesses and activities for sectors of our economy that are able to operate with physical distancing and protective measure requirements and safe business practices in place. Future decisions will be based on the COVID-19 data for Dane County

and the Village of Cross Plains and future ordinances, if any, will necessarily remain fluid and will be based on the above factors as well as emerging data and research. It is further ordained that:

1. The Village of Cross Plains, its residents, businesses and organizations shall follow DHS and CDC guidelines. All individuals, organizations, governmental bodies, and any other group of individuals, shall, to the extent possible, follow all applicable Department of Health Service and Center for Disease Control guidelines. DHS guidelines are located at: www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/covid-19/index.htm. CDC guidelines are located at: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/reopen-guidance.html>.
2. The Village of Cross Plains does hereby adopt Emergency Order No. 2 issued by PHMDC on May 18, 2020 in its entirety. Further, the Village shall adopt all future amendments to Emergency Order No. 2, and all future orders issued by PHMDC relative to the COVID-19 pandemic.
3. It shall be unlawful for any individual, business or organization to violate the provisions of this ordinance. A violation of any provision of this ordinance shall be subject to a penalty of not less than \$100.00 plus court costs. Each and every day of a violation shall constitute a separate offense and shall be subject to a separate citation being issued.
4. This ordinance shall remain in effect until one year from the effective date of this ordinance or until PHMDC cancels its emergency orders relating to the COVID-19 pandemic, whichever occurs last.

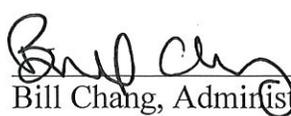
Severability. If any portion of this Ordinance or its application on any person or circumstances is held invalid, the validity of this Ordinance as a whole or any other provision herein or its application shall not be affected.

Effective Date. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its passage and publication.

Adopted this 26 day of May, 2020.

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By: 
Jay Dengfeld, President

By: 
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