



**EMERGENCY ORDER 06 AND SUPPLEMENT TO
DECLARED STATE OF EMERGENCY
LIMITED PARK REOPENING AND GUIDELINES**

WHEREAS, on March 12, 2020 the City Manager declared a Local Emergency as a result of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on March 19, 2020, March 26, 2020, April 2, 2020, April 9, 2020, April 16, 2020, April 23, 2020, and April 30, 2020, the City Manager declared extensions to the State of Local Emergency; and

WHEREAS, on April 3, 2020, the CDC recommended that persons wear cloth facial coverings while in public to help control the spread of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on April 27, 2020, Miami Dade County issued Emergency Order 21-20 allowing parks and recreational facilities to open on April 29, 2020, under limited circumstances, and further providing that municipalities may impose more stringent standards within their jurisdiction as may be authorized by law; and

WHEREAS, on April 29, 2020, the City of Sunny Isles Beach took additional steps to minimize the spread of COVID-19 and issued Emergency Order 05-20, providing that all publicly owned parks and recreational facilities remain closed, and providing for the expiration of the Order at 7:59 a.m. on Wednesday, May 6, 2020; and

WHEREAS, it is important for the physical and mental health of the community that outdoor recreation be allowed to the extent it is safe to do so; and

WHEREAS, consistent with the direction taken by Miami Dade County, the City of Sunny Isles Beach desires to reopen certain parks and recreational facilities following the expiration of Emergency Order 05-20, but only as expressly stated below, to provide the community with opportunities to exercise and obtain other health benefits during this continuing crisis; and

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY DECLARED AND ORDERED AS FOLLOWS:

1. Findings.

The detailed findings of Miami-Dade County Mayor Gimenez, as contained in Emergency Order 21-20, dated April 27, 2020, are hereby adopted and incorporated herein by reference.

2. Continuing Adherence to CDC Guidelines.

Notwithstanding the limited reopening of certain parks under this Emergency Order, all individuals shall continue to adhere to the guidelines from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, hereinafter referred to as the "CDC Guidelines".

3. Limited Reopening of Park and Recreational Facilities and Guidelines.

Effective as of 8:00 a.m., Wednesday, May 6, 2020, the City of Sunny Isles Beach will allow public access to Sunny Isles Beach residents with proper identification on a limited basis to a select number of parks and recreational facilities as set forth below.

A. Effective as of 8:00 a.m., Wednesday, May 6, 2020, public access is permissible at the below listed parks, subject to the limitations set forth herein:

- Gateway Park, 151 Sunny Isles Blvd.
- Heritage Park, 19200 Collins Ave.
 - * Exception: the dog park within Heritage Park shall remain closed
- Intracoastal Parks, 16100 Collins Ave.
- Samson Oceanfront Park, 17425 Collins Ave.
- Senator Gwen Margolis Park, 17815 North Bay Road
 - *Exception: the dog park within Senator Gwen Margolis Park shall remain closed
- Town Center Park, 17200 Collins Ave.
- Oceania Park, 16320 Collins Ave.

B. The below listed parks shall remain closed to the public:

- Golden Shores Community Park, 201 191 Terrace
- Pelican Community Park, 18115 North Bay Road
- Newport Fishing Pier, 16501 Collins Ave.
- Bella Vista Bay Park, 500 Sunny Isles Boulevard

C. Hours of Operation:

The parks will be open every day except Tuesdays. The hours of operation for these locations are as follows:

Daily Hours (except Tuesdays): 9 a.m. – noon and 4 – 8 p.m.

Senior Priority Hours: 8 – 9 a.m., Monday, Wednesday, Friday

D. Usage Schedule:

In order to mitigate a large number of residents crowding the parks at the same time, making social distancing difficult, the City will follow a usage schedule based on the resident's home address, as follows:

Residents living in houses or apartments with an **even numbered** address may visit parks on Mondays, Thursdays, and Saturdays.

Residents living in houses or apartments with an **odd numbered** address may visit parks on Wednesdays, Fridays, and Sundays.

E. Guidelines:

- Individuals using the parks are required to adhere to CDC Guidelines concerning facial covering, with the exception of children under two years old, or persons who have trouble breathing due to a chronic pre-existing condition.
- Minors shall always be accompanied by a parent or guardian.
- Groups larger than ten (10) people are prohibited from gathering in one place.
- Use of parks and recreational facilities shall be for limited passive uses, such as walking, jogging, running, stretching, biking and exercise.
- Park use is encouraged to be limited to one hour or less.
- Directional signage along sidewalks and walkways, established to minimize cross contact, shall be adhered to.
- Restrooms at the park will be open for only one (1) person or family at a time.

F. Use of the following amenities is prohibited:

- playgrounds;
- tables;
- fitness equipment;
- water fountains;
- bicycle racks;
- water features; and
- dog parks.

G. Prohibition of Animals:

- No animals are permitted in any parks with the exception of recognized service animals.

H. Parking Limitations:

- Parking garages and lots at each park remain open only to Sunny Isles Beach residents.

I. Beach Closures:

- Pursuant to Miami-Dade County Emergency Order 06-20, all beaches in Sunny Isles Beach shall remain closed to the public.

4. Enforcement.

The City of Sunny Isles Beach Police Department, and other authorized City personnel, are authorized to enforce this Emergency Order.

5. Applicability; Severability.

This Emergency Order supersedes any contrary provision in any prior City of Sunny Isles Beach Emergency Order. Except as superseded, all City of Sunny Isles Beach Emergency Orders remain in full force and effect.

6. Effective Date; Duration.

The provisions of this Emergency Order shall become effective at 8:00 a.m., Wednesday, May 6, 2020, and shall expire upon the expiration of the existing State of Local Emergency, as same may be extended by subsequent order or declaration, unless terminated earlier by the City Manager.

Dated: May 1, 2020

By: 
Christopher J. Russo, City Manager
City of Sunny Isles Beach, FL