

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

FOR MARION COUNTY, OREGON

In the matter of closing certain county offices)
to the public, and directing non-essential)
county employees to stay home from work)

ORDER No. 20-033

This matter came before the Marion County Board of Commissioners at a special public meeting on Saturday, March 21, 2020 at 5:00 pm.

WHEREAS, Marion County has enacted Marion County Code Chapter 2.35 pursuant to the authority granted by ORS Chapter 401 that provides for executive responsibility in times of emergency; and

WHEREAS, at a special meeting on March 16, 2020, the Marion County Board of Commissioners declared a State of Emergency in Marion County due to the continued spread of Novel Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) in Marion County; and

WHEREAS, COVID-19 is a global pandemic and its progress is rapidly evolving; and

WHEREAS, due to COVID-19 the Oregon Health Authority has recommended all individuals 65 years or older, or individuals with underlying medical conditions remain at home unless seeking essential needs; and

WHEREAS, due to COVID-19 all county residents should strongly consider limiting all non-essential travel; and

WHEREAS, Marion County has 22 confirmed COVID -19 cases, the second highest number of confirmed cases in Oregon; and

WHEREAS, one Marion County resident has already died due to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, SALEM HEALTH, Marion County's largest health care provider strongly recommends taking stricter measures in order to stop the spread of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, the Marion County Board of Commissioners is the governing body of Marion County pursuant to ORS 203.230, and is the local public health authority pursuant to ORS 431.415 ; and

WHEREAS, at the request of the Board of Commissioners, Marion County department heads, including elected officials, have designated those employees essential to carrying out essential County functions; and

WHEREAS, Marion County must continue to provide essential County services to its residents; primarily health related services and public safety; and

WHEREAS, the health, safety, and well-being of Marion County employees is essential to the County continuing to carry out its essential functions; now, therefore,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that all department heads, including elected officials, instruct all county employees designated as non-essential to stay home from work until further direction from their department head or order from this Board; and further

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that all county employees designated as non-essential be available to work, and non-essential employees whose work allows them to telecommute, shall telecommute pursuant to the Marion County ordinance adopted on March 18, 2020; and further

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that County offices listed in the attached Exhibit A are temporarily closed to the public until further order by the Board of Commissioners. County employees deemed essential by their department heads will continue to report to work, and will perform their job duties that involve interaction with the public via telephone, email or other electronic means.

DATED at Salem, Oregon, this 21st day of March, 2020.

MARION COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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Chair

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Samuel A. Brantley", written over a horizontal line.

Commissioner

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Commissioner

Exhibit A

March 21, 2020

Marion County offices are closed to the public but remain open for services via telephone and electronic means.

- Assessor's Office 503-588-5144
- Board of Commissioners Office 503-588-5212
- Business Services Department 503-589-3295
- County Clerk's Office 503-588-5225
- Community Services Department 503-588-7975
 - Dog Shelter 503-316-6690
- District Attorney's Office 503-588-5222
- Emergency Operations Center 503-588-5108
- Finance Department 503-589-3290
- Human Resources 503-589-3295
- Justice Court 503-576-7200
- Juvenile Department 503-588-5411
- Law Library 503-588-5090
- County Legal Counsel 503-588-5220
- Public Works Department
 - Engineering 503-588-5036
 - Planning 503-588-5038
 - Sewer and Water 503-588-5084
 - Building Inspection 503-588-5147
 - IVR LINE - 1-888-299-2821 (Auto Inspection Scheduling)
 - Environmental Services 503-588-5169
 - Road Maintenance 503-588-5304 - Dispatch
 - Surveyor's Office 503-588-5155
 - Emergency Management 503-588-5108
 - Parks 503-588-5036
 - Service Districts 503-588-5084
(Brooks, East Salem, Fargo, Illahe, and Labish Village)
- Treasurer 503-584-7750