

EMERGENCY EXECUTIVE ORDER 2022-16

I, Melvin Carter III, Mayor of the City of Saint Paul, on March 7, 2022 pursuant to Saint Paul Legislative Code Section 13.06, do hereby issue the following Executive Order:

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, Governor Tim Walz issued Executive Order 20-1 declaring a Peacetime State of Emergency to authorize all necessary resources to be used in support of the COVID-19 response. This Executive Order has expired; and

WHEREAS, on March 15, 2020, I issued an Emergency Declaration in response to the COVID-19 pandemic pursuant to Minnesota Statutes section 12.29 and Saint Paul Legislative Code section 13.06, which the City Council consented to on March 17, 2020. This Declaration has been extended and remains in effect; and

WHEREAS, even though the spread of COVID-19 has slowed, and vaccinations have become widely available, serious threats to health and safety of persons and other impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic continue to be felt in the City; and

WHEREAS, businesses continue to suffer the economic impacts of the pandemic and will continue to do so for the foreseeable future; and

WHEREAS, according to the U.S. Census Bureau, more than 2 in 3 small businesses in Minnesota report at least a moderate negative impact on their business from the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, leisure and hospitality are some of the hardest hit sectors; and

WHEREAS, according to a Pew Center survey published March 5, 2021, among those who say their financial situation has gotten worse during the pandemic, 44% think it will take them three years or more to get back to where they were a year ago, including about one-in-ten who do not think their finances will ever recover. Furthermore, almost half of workers who personally lost wages during the pandemic (49%) are still earning less money than before the coronavirus outbreak started; and

WHEREAS, in addition to action necessary to safeguard the health and safety of Saint Paul citizens, it remains necessary for the City to provide support to individuals and businesses alike to ensure that Saint Paul recovers from the COVID-19 pandemic disaster; and

WHEREAS, Saint Paul Legislative Code section 13.06(b) provides that, “whenever necessary to meet an emergency ... the mayor may by executive order promulgate regulations ... for which adequate regulations have not been adopted ... respecting ... the conduct of persons and the use of property during emergencies; ... and all other matters which are required to protect public safety, health and welfare in emergencies”; and

WHEREAS, during the course of the Declared Emergency, I have issued several Executive Orders, and the original basis for these orders has not changed:

- Executive Order 2021-24 (allowing inactive business licenses)
- Executive Order 2020-38 (waiver of zoning requirements for emergency shelters)
- Executive Order 2021-3 (regulating third-party food platforms)
- Executive Order 2021-22 (waiving requirements for certain outdoor uses)

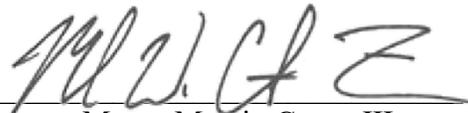
NOW, THEREFORE, I, Melvin Carter III, Mayor of the City of Saint Paul, do hereby extend the following Emergency Executive Orders:

The following Executive Orders are extended without amendment:

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Pursuant to Chapter 13 of the Saint Paul Legislative Code, the above-listed Executive Orders remain in effect upon my signature and, if not sooner rescinded or later extended, shall expire at the end of forty (40) days after the effective date or at the end of the declared local emergency to which they relate, whichever occurs first.

Signed: March 7, 2022



Mayor Melvin Carter III