



**EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-5  
(Amending Executive Order 2020-3)**

**Issued by**

**TONI PRECKWINKLE, PRESIDENT,  
FOREST PRESERVE DISTRICT OF COOK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

**Cook County, Illinois**

**March 27, 2020**

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the Cook County Code of Ordinances, Sections 26-36 and the Illinois Emergency Management Agency Act, 20 ILCS 3305/11, on March 10, 2020, County Board President Toni Preckwinkle found that the circumstances surrounding COVID-19 constitute a public health emergency and issued a proclamation of disaster for Cook County; and

**WHEREAS**, in accordance with Illinois law, on March 16, 2020, the Cook County Board of Commissioners through Resolution 20-2195, extended the March 10, 2020 Proclamation of Disaster through May 31, 2020; and

**WHEREAS**, the Forest Preserve District of Cook County (“Forest Preserve District”) is covered under Cook County’s Emergency Operations Plan as a result of the Proclamation of Disaster; and

**WHEREAS**, the March 16, 2020 Resolution 20-2195 further recognized and supported the issuance of Executive Orders by the President to account for the continuity of operations, institute necessary closures and implement any rules or regulations that may benefit Cook County workforce and residents during this extended Proclamation of Disaster; and

**WHEREAS**, Executive Order 2020-3 provided for the continued operation of essential functions of Forest Preserve District government while protecting the public and the Forest Preserve District employee population through a reduction of the footprint on-site in Forest Preserve District buildings; and

**WHEREAS**, in order to reduce the on-site footprint and implement social distancing standards, Forest Preserve District Board and Committee meetings as well as Conservation and Policy Council meetings have been cancelled for the month of March, 2020; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 20, 2020, Governor JB Pritzker issued a statewide order for all Illinois residents to stay home, unless traveling for essential needs or business, and requires businesses not engaged in essential activities to cease all activities except for minimum basic operations; and

**WHEREAS**, the March 20, 2020, Illinois Executive Order 2020-10 <https://www2.illinois.gov/Documents/ExecOrders/2020/ExecutiveOrder-2020-10.pdf> issued by Governor JB Pritzker took effect on Saturday, March 21, 2020 at 5 p.m., across the State of Illinois and will remain in place through April 7, 2020; and

**WHEREAS**, the Forest Preserve District amends Executive Order 2020-3 to comply with the provisions of Illinois Executive Order 2020-10.

**NOW THEREFORE**, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution of the State of Illinois, the laws of the State of Illinois, the Ordinances of Cook County and the Forest Preserve District and the March 10, 2020 Proclamation of Disaster, that was extended by the Board of Commissioners through May 31, 2020 on March 16, 2020,

I, TONI PRECKWINKLE, President of the Forest Preserve District of Cook County, **DO HEREBY ORDER**, as follows:

1. Effective March 27, 2020 through April 7, 2020, the Forest Preserve District will continue to engage in efforts to limit public access to Forest Preserve District buildings.
2. All Forest Preserve District of Cook County Board of Commissioner meetings continue to be cancelled for the month of March.
3. Effective March 27, 2020 through April 7, 2020, the Forest Preserve District will continue to focus on essential services that are necessary to operate the Forest Preserve District and reduce the number of employees required to work on-site.
4. While on-site at work, off-site, or working remotely, employees should engage in efforts to practice social distancing to prevent and slow the spread of COVID-19 as provided in the State's Executive Order 2020-10.
5. Employees should review the requirements provided in the State's Executive Order 2020-10 at <https://www2.illinois.gov/Documents/ExecOrders/2020/ExecutiveOrder-2020-10.pdf> and refer to the Frequently Asked Questions document provided by the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity at [https://www2.illinois.gov/dceo/Documents/Stay%20at%20Home%20EO%20FAQ\\_.pdf](https://www2.illinois.gov/dceo/Documents/Stay%20at%20Home%20EO%20FAQ_.pdf).

**BE IT FURTHER ORDERED**, that, this order shall take effect upon its execution and filing with the Secretary of the Board and that immediate notice of this order be delivered by the Secretary to

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the Board to the seventeen members of the Forest Preserve District Board of Commissioners and  
General Superintendent.

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Toni Preckwinkle  
President

Dated: March 27, 2020

ATTEST:



Matthew B. DeLeon  
Board Secretary

Received and Filed: March 27, 2020