



OFFICE OF THE MAYOR  
**Jacqueline M. Izzo**



# LOCAL EMERGENCY ORDER

## CITY OF ROME

**Issued: October 15, 2020**

**WHEREAS**, I, Jacqueline M. Izzo, the Chief Executive of the City of Rome, in accordance with a declaration of a State of Emergency issued at 04:00 PM on the sixteenth day of March in the year 2020, and pursuant to Section 24 of the New York State Executive Law;

**WHEREAS**, I, Jacqueline M. Izzo, the Chief Executive of the City of Rome, issued a Local Emergency Order for the City of Rome on the sixteenth day of March in the year 2020 (hereafter referred to as the "original order"), and pursuant to Section 24 of the New York State Executive Law;

**WHEREAS**, original order will terminate in five days unless renewed;

**WHEREAS**, said original order was again renewed as well as additions made by me on the twenty-seventh day of March in the year 2020 (hereafter referred to as the "March 27, 2020 additional order");

**WHEREAS**, said original order and the March 27, 2020 additional order were renewed by me on the first day of April in the year 2020;

**WHEREAS**, said original order was again renewed as modified on April 6, 2020 (hereafter referred to as "modified original order");

**WHEREAS**, the March 27, 2020 additional order was renewed by me on the sixth day of April in the year 2020;

**WHEREAS**, said modified original order and the March 27, 2020 additional order were renewed by me on the tenth day of April in the year 2020;

**WHEREAS**, said orders have been duly renewed and are still in effect as of the date of this renewal;

**WHEREAS**, continued cases of COVID-19 have been confirmed in Onondaga, Otsego, Madison, Oneida and Herkimer Counties of the State of New York;

**WHEREAS**, on March 7, 2020, Andrew Cuomo, Governor of the State of New York, issued Executive Order Number 202, declaring a State disaster emergency, pursuant to Section 28 of Article 2-B of the Executive Law; and

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**WHEREAS**, on March 12, 2020, Andrew Cuomo, Governor of the State of New York, issued Executive Order Number 202.1, temporarily suspending and/or modifying any statute, local law, ordinance, order, rule or regulation that would prevent, hinder or delay action necessary to cope with the disaster emergency or if necessary to assist or aid in coping with such disaster, pursuant to Section 29-a of Article 2-B of the Executive Law;

**WHEREAS**, on or about March 27, 2020, Andrew Cuomo, Governor of the State of New York, issued Executive Order Number 202.11, temporarily suspending Section 103(2) of the General Municipal Law to allow for the non-public opening of bids;

**WHEREAS**, on June 15, 2020, the Governor 202.42 which modified the Governor's Executive Order Numbers 202.10; 202.33 for Phase Three areas which allows for nonessential lawful gatherings of twenty-five or less people provided that social distancing, cleaning and disinfecting protocols instituted by the Department of Health are followed;

**WHEREAS**, the Governor subsequently issued executive Order 202.45, which further modified previous Orders to allow gatherings of fifty (50) or fewer individuals for any lawful purpose or reason, so long as any such gatherings occurring indoors do not exceed 50% of the maximum occupancy for a particular indoor area, and provided that the location of the gathering is in a region that has reached Phase 4 of the State's reopening, and provided further that social distancing, face covering, and cleaning and disinfection protocols required by the Department of Health are followed;

**WHEREAS**, the City of Rome is located within a Phase Four area of New York State's reopening;

**NOW I DO HEREBY ORDER**, that except as otherwise stated herein, the modified original order will be extended and remain in effect for five (5) more days unless it is rescinded earlier by order of the Chief Executive. This Order may be further renewed in five (5) day increments;

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED**, that except as otherwise stated herein the March 27, 2020 additional order will be extended and remain in effect for five (5) more days unless it is rescinded earlier by order of the Chief Executive. This Order may be further renewed in five (5) day increments;

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED**, that local laws requiring that bids on City contracts be opened in public, including Section 103 of the Rome City Charter and Section 2-379(d) of the Rome City Code, are hereby suspended to the extent that bid openings will be streamed and/or recorded and not done in public. Information on the streaming and/or recording of bid openings shall be included in the bid advertisements.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED**, that effective June 13, 2020, all City of Rome parks, playgrounds, play zones and tennis courts, with the exception of basketball courts, soccer fields, baseball fields and the dog park, will reopen with the following restrictions:

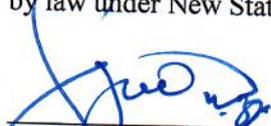
1. Gatherings of more than fifty people are prohibited;
2. Patrons must remain six feet apart at all times; and

3. When social distancing is not possible, patrons must wear a mask or other suitable face covering.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED**, that the annual Grievance Day for residents who wish to contest the assessment on their property must submit a Complaint on Real Property Assessment Form (RP-524) by Tuesday, August, 4 at 4:30 p.m. The Board of Assessment Review shall meet and hear all complaints relative to the 2020 tax roll on August 4<sup>th</sup> from 2 p.m. - 4 p.m. and 6 p.m. - 8 p.m. by telephone conference call. Those who wish to make a presentation to the board must submit their application 24 hours in advance. They will be scheduled for an appointment and will receive an invitation to the virtual meeting. Those wishing to complete the form can submit it at City Hall, 198 N. Washington Street in the drop box on the front of the building or by US mail. Questions related to Grievance Day can be directed to the Assessor's office, (315) 339-7614.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED**, that those who wish to pay their annual property tax bills, due October 31, 2020, may do so by utilizing the 24 hour drop box located on the front façade of city hall, via electronic payment or via United States Postal Service.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED**, that failure to obey this order constitutes a criminal offense, punishable by law under New State Executive Law Section 24 Subsection 5.

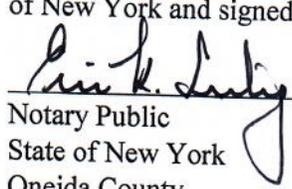
  
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Jacqueline M. Izzo

By: City of Rome

Its: Mayor

Dated: 10/15/2020

The individual above, **Jacqueline M. Izzo**, personally appeared before me in Oneida County of the State of New York and signed their name above on October 15, 2020

  
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Notary Public  
State of New York  
Oneida County

My Commission Expires: 10/30/21

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Notary Public, State of New York  
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