

**CITY OF COATESVILLE
COUNTY OF CHESTER**

**AN ORDINANCE REENACTING THE DECLARATION
OF STATE OF EMERGENCY ORDINANCE, NO. 1541-2020,
RELATED TO THE CORONAVIRUS – COVID-19 PANDEMIC.**

WHEREAS, the City of Coatesville (hereinafter the “City”) is a Home Rule Municipality operating by means of a home rule charter and the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; and

WHEREAS, on December 14, 2020, the City adopted Ordinance No. 1541-2020 ratifying the Declaration of State of Emergency issued December 11, 2020, in response to the Coronavirus COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, on January 11, 2021, the City reenacted Ordinance 1541-2020, which ratified the Declaration of State of Emergency issued on December 11, 2020, in response to the Coronavirus COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, the reenactment of Ordinance 1541-2020, will expire on February 11, 2021, by operation of law; and

WHEREAS, between on or about January 11, 2021, and February 5, 2021, the number of presumptive positive COVID-19 cases in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania increased from 726,154 to 861,674 and the number of deaths related to COVID-19 in the Commonwealth increased from 17,853 to 22,239;¹ and

WHEREAS, between on or about January 11, 2021, and February 5, 2021, the number of presumptive positive COVID-19 cases in Chester County increased from 22,172 to 25,988 and the number of deaths related to COVID-19 in Chester County increased from 543 to 654;² and

WHEREAS, between on or about January 11, 2021, and February 5, 2021, the number of presumptive positive COVID-19 cases in the City of Coatesville increased from 754 to 874 and the number of deaths related to COVID-19 in the City of Coatesville increased from 6 to 11; and

¹ Statewide statistics obtained from the Pennsylvania Department of Health website: <https://www.health.pa.gov/topics/disease/Coronavirus/Pages/Cases.aspx>.

² Chester County and City of Coatesville statistics obtained from the Chester County Health Department website dashboard: <https://chesco.maps.arcgis.com/apps/opsdashboard/index.html#/975082d579454c3ca7877db0a44e61ca>

WHEREAS, the Coronavirus COVID-19 presents the possibility of further spreading both nationwide and within the City of Coatesville and may, therefore, continue to endanger the health, safety and welfare of a substantial number of persons residing within the City and likewise threatens to create substantial public health, medical, and emergency response activities within the City; and

WHEREAS, continued, proactive emergency management measures are required to mitigate the severity of this public health emergency for purposes of protecting the health, safety and welfare of residents in the City of Coatesville; and

WHEREAS, Section 2-309 of the City Charter permits the reenactment and extension of a Declaration of Emergency; and

WHEREAS, the City Council is further authorized to declare the existence of a local disaster emergency in the City of Coatesville pursuant to the provisions of Section 7501 of the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Services Code, 35 Pa C.S. §7101 *et seq.*; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Coatesville has determined that it should reenact Ordinance No. 1541-2020, ratifying the Declaration of State of Emergency issued December 11, 2020, pursuant to Section 19-1 of the City Code:

NOW THEREFORE, in accordance with the foregoing authority, which incorporates all rights and powers granted to the City of Coatesville under its Charter, and the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Services Code, the City hereby enacts and ordains as follows:

SECTION 1. Ordinance No. 1541-2020, ratifying the Declaration of State of Emergency issued December 11, 2020, a true and correct copy of which is attached hereto and made part hereof, is hereby reenacted.

SECTION 2. Upon adoption of this Ordinance, the City Manager shall email a true and correct copy thereof to Chester County Office of Emergency Management and the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency.

SECTION 3. The effect of this Ordinance reenacting the Declaration of State of Emergency and Supplemental Declaration of State of Emergency is to continue and support the response and recovery aspects of any and all state, county and local emergency management plans, authorize the furnishing of aid and assistance thereunder and to implement additional mitigation efforts.

SECTION 4. All ordinances or parts of ordinances conflicting with any provisions of this Ordinance are hereby suspended insofar as the same affects this Ordinance.

SECTION 5. If any sentence, clause, section or part of this Ordinance is for any reason found to be unconstitutional, illegal or invalid, such unconstitutionality, illegality or invalidity shall not affect or impair any of the remaining provisions, sentences, clauses, sections or parts hereof.

SECTION 6. This Ordinance shall be effective immediately upon adoption in accordance with Section 2-309 of the City Charter.

SECTION 7. This Ordinance shall be in effect for the term set forth in the City Charter unless sooner repealed.

ENACTED AND ORDAINED this 8th day of February, 2021.



Linda Lavender-Norris, President, City Council

ATTEST:



James Logan, City Manager

CERTIFICATION

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing Ordinance was introduced and duly enacted by the Council of the City of Coatesville, Chester County, Pennsylvania, on the 8th day of February, 2021, and that the vote upon the said Ordinance has been recorded in the Minutes of the City Council and that the Ordinance has been fully recorded.