



THE CITY OF NEW YORK  
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR  
NEW YORK, N.Y. 10007

EMERGENCY EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 188

March 13, 2021

EMERGENCY EXECUTIVE ORDER

WHEREAS, on March 7, 2020, New York State Governor Andrew Cuomo declared a State disaster emergency for the entire State of New York to address the threat that COVID-19 poses to the health and welfare of New York residents and visitors; and

WHEREAS, Emergency Executive Order No. 98, issued March 12, 2020 and extended most recently by Emergency Executive Order No. 186, issued March 3, 2021, contains a declaration of a state of emergency in the City of New York due to the threat posed by COVID-19 to the health and welfare of City residents, and such declaration remains in effect; and

WHEREAS, this Order is given because of the propensity of the virus to spread person-to-person and also because the actions taken to prevent such spread have led to property loss and damage; and

WHEREAS, measures taken to combat the spread of COVID-19 may prevent individuals, businesses and other entities from meeting legally imposed deadlines for the filing of certain documents or for the completion of other required actions; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to maintain public safety and health while allowing hearings and meetings related to the Uniform Land Use Review Procedure to continue to be held, and to avoid continued disputes regarding whether such hearings and meetings may be held remotely; and

WHEREAS, this Order is given in order to ensure that the Governor's orders are enforced;

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to the powers vested in me by the laws of the State of New York and the City of New York, including but not limited to the New York Executive Law, the New York City Charter and the Administrative Code of the City of New York, and the common law authority to protect the public in the event of an emergency:

Section 1. I hereby direct that section 1 of Emergency Executive Order No. 187, dated March 8, 2021, is extended for five (5) days.

§ 2. a. I hereby order that hearings and meetings related to the Uniform Land Use Review Procedure may be held by remote means, and ratify actions already taken in furtherance of holding such hearings and meetings by remote means.

b. I hereby suspend the following provisions of Title 62 of the Rules of the City of New York ("RCNY") to the extent such provisions would require physical in-person hearings or meetings to be held by community boards, borough boards, or the City Planning Commission, in order to enable the holding of hearings and meetings by remote means:

- i. RCNY Title 62, Chapter 1, Section 1-01, relating to the general rules for the practice and procedure of the City Planning Commission;
- ii. RCNY Title 62, Chapter 2, Section 2-03(d) and (e), relating to public hearings and public meetings of community boards;
- iii. RCNY Title 62, Chapter 2, Section 2-05(c) and (d), relating to public hearings and public meetings of borough boards; and
- iv. RCNY Title 62, Chapter 2, Section 2-06(f), relating to public hearings of the City Planning Commission.

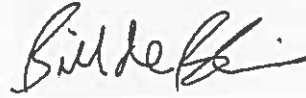
§ 3. I hereby amend section 3 of Emergency Executive Order No. 131, as last amended by section 3 of Emergency Executive Order No. 186, relating to requiring that listed licenses, permits, consents or registrations be subject to expiration and renewal in accordance with their terms or conditions, beginning 45 days from the listed date, to add a new subdivision 7 to read as follows:

7. March 15, 2021, for any license or registration issued by the Business Integrity Commission.

§ 4. This Order incorporates any and all relevant provisions of Governor Executive Order No. 202 and subsequent orders issued by the Governor of New York State to address the State of Emergency declared in that Order pursuant to his powers under section 29-a of the Executive Law.

§ 5. I hereby direct the Fire Department of the City of New York, the New York City Police Department, the Department of Buildings, the Sheriff, and other agencies as needed to immediately enforce the directives set forth in this Order in accordance with their lawful enforcement authorities, including but not limited to Administrative Code sections 15-227(a), 28-105.10.1, and 28-201.1, and section 107.6 of the New York City Fire Code. Violations of the directives set forth in this Order may be issued as if they were violations under the New York City Health Code, title 24 Rules of the City of New York sections 3.07 and 3.11, and may be enforced as such by the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene or any other agency named in this section.

§ 6. This Emergency Executive Order shall take effect immediately, and shall remain in effect for five (5) days unless it is terminated or modified at an earlier date, provided that section 2 of this Emergency Executive Order is retroactive to and deemed to have been in effect on March 12, 2020.



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Bill de Blasio,  
MAYOR