



May 4, 2020

SOLE 3/16/20

ORDER: GARAGE SALES-CLOSURE

WHEREAS a State of Local Emergency was declared for The Town of Strathmore on March 16, 2020 to address the COVID19 pandemic:

WHEREAS the Town of Strathmore Emergency Management Bylaw #19-05 authorizes the Director of Emergency Management to exercise any power or function for the duration of the state of local emergency, including the authority to issue orders pursuant to Section 24 of the *Emergency Management Act*.

WHEREAS Garage Sales are considered a non-essential service. Garage sales are informal events for the purpose of selling used good by private individuals. For the purpose of this order, any sales conducted by a private individual where members of the public are encouraged to browse and/or purchase used goods is termed a Garage Sale.

WHEREAS Online garage sales may still operate; however, they should follow the rules and stipulations listed on the attached document.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED

1. Effective 18:00 hrs. May 7, 2020 all the following activities, whether located in Town parks and other Town property or on private property, are hereby closed:
 - a. Garage Sales also known as flea markets, rummage sales, yard sales, street markets, moving sales, and other names.
2. This order will cease when the Province initiates Stage 3 of the Alberta Relaunch Strategy.

Authorized:
Director of Emergency Management, Town of Strathmore

Signature: _____



Attached Order Information

Online Garage Sales Pick-up

- Owner should fully sanitize items.
- Items purchased should be placed on front steps for pick-up.
- It is recommended that e-transfers are to be sent at the time of pick-up.
- It is recommended that items are fully sanitized once buyers bring them home.

Online Garage Sales Delivery

- Owner should fully sanitize items.
- Items purchased should be placed on front steps for pick-up.
- It is recommended that e-transfers are received prior to delivery.

All items and communication about this service should include the following disclaimer and instructions:

- The COVID-19 virus can survive up to 24 hours on cardboard and up to 2-3 days on plastic and stainless steel. It may be wise to store items for a minimum of 24 hours before handling them.
- Patrons should wash hands before and after handling all items, avoid touching their faces and avoid sneezing or coughing onto the items while observing.
- Patrons who are immune compromised or otherwise susceptible to COVID-19 infection should not seek to purchase garage sale items.
- Due to the nature of the COVID-19 pandemic, all garage sales (online services) may need to be suspended without notice.

Garage Sales

Strategic Goals:	To stop the Spread of COVID-19.
Recommendations:	Garage sales are considered non-essential services and are cancelled until further notice. Online garage sales may still operate; however, they should follow the rules & stipulations contained in this plan.
Rationale:	Garage sales cannot reasonably follow AHS physical distancing guidelines without risking the spread of COVID-19.
Rules/Stipulations:	<p>Online Garage Sales Pick-up</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sellers should fully sanitize items. • Items purchased should be placed on front steps for pick-up. • It is recommended that e-transfers are to be sent at the time of pick-up. • It is recommended that items are fully sanitized once buyers bring them home. <p>Online Garage Sales Delivery</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sellers should fully sanitize items. • Items purchased should be placed on front steps for pick-up. • It is recommended that e-transfers are received prior to delivery. <p>All items and communication about this service should include the following disclaimer and instructions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The COVID-19 virus can survive up to 24 hours on cardboard and up to 2-3 days on plastic and stainless steel. It may be wise to store items for a minimum of 24 hours before handling them. • Buyers should wash hands before and after handling all items, avoid touching their faces and avoid sneezing or coughing onto the items while observing. • Buyers who are immune compromised or otherwise susceptible to COVID-19 infection should not seek to purchase garage sale items. • Due to the nature of the COVID-19 pandemic, all garage sales (online services) may need to be suspended without notice.
Stakeholders:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Public • Online Garage sales (ex. FB Market Place, Kijiji)
Tactical Implementation:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Positive public communication awareness program around the online rules/stipulations
Research (other municipalities):	Library Curbside Pickup & Delivery Services Plan
Themes:	Support – Residents and local businesses