



City of Alamogordo

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Governor Michelle Lujan Grisham
490 Old Santa Fe Trail Room 400
Santa Fe, NM 87501

Re: Restrictions in the City of Alamogordo

Madame Governor,

We want to first start this letter by thanking you for your leadership during the Covid-19 pandemic. This has been an unprecedented time not only in the great state of New Mexico, but also in the City of Alamogordo.

The citizens of the county have done a tremendous job with social distancing, closing non-essential businesses, limiting mass gatherings and following your orders regarding the pandemic. With those orders in place, the City is extremely proud of our citizens and the measures that they have taken that have resulted in having zero cases within our City.

With that being said, the closures are having an extreme effect on our local business community, and are effectively shuttering our local businesses, permanently. Our small businesses have not been able to access the programs rolled out by the Federal or State governments, and most are projected to shutter for good. As you know, small businesses are the heartbeat of our economy, and make Alamogordo the amazing place that it is. We cannot stress enough how much damage these orders are doing to our small, local economy.

Therefore, we, as the City Commission of the City of Alamogordo, are imploring you to consider reopening businesses in our community and implementing social distancing restrictions in order to minimize any person to person transmitting of the virus. We know that our businesses care about our citizens and will take extreme steps to ensure the safety of the patrons while shopping in their establishments.

Again, we take this virus very seriously, but with zero cases in our City, we implore you to save our economy and allow our small business to open, serve our citizens, and help to save our economy.

Sincerely,

Richard Boss, Mayor

Nadia Sikes, Mayor Pro Tem



City of Alamogordo

Susan Payne, Commissioner

Josh Rardin, Commissioner

Dustin Wright, Commissioner

Jason Baldwin, Commissioner

Sharon McDonald, Commissioner

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