## CIVIL EMERGENCY EXECUTIVE ORDER CONTINUING THE DECLARATION OF A PUBLIC EMERGENCY DUE TO COVID-19 AND; CONTINUING VAX 4 CASH PROGRAM; RETURNING TO IN-PERSON MEETINGS; No. 2022-04

WHEREAS COVID-19 cases in Hamilton County have risen to unprecedented levels in recent weeks; and

WHEREAS newly enacted state law prohibits municipalities from implementing certain public health policies related to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS the previously declared state of emergency caused by COVID -19 continues;

WHEREAS, pursuant to the authority invested in the Mayor under Tennessee Code Annotated § 38-9-101, et seq. and 58-8-104 and 58-2-110 (3) and City of Chattanooga Code § 20-41, et. seq.;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, TIM KELLY, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF CHATTANOOGA, by virtue of the powers vested in me, hereby proclaim that a local public health civil emergency continues to exist in the City of Chattanooga, Tennessee based on COVID-19. All previous CIVIL EMERGENCY EXECUTIVE ORDERs not specifically revised, repealed, or invalidated by ruling of a Court, are hereby extended by and through this order.

- 1. VAX 4 CASH. The City of Chattanooga has partnered with the Chattanooga Chamber Foundation, CARTA, and American Airlines to commence the VAX 4 CASH SWEEPSTAKES INCENTIVE PROGRAM ("Incentive Program"). Beginning on Thursday, Aug 5, and ending on the date set by a future executive order (the "Incentive Program Period"), the City of Chattanooga is offering Hamilton County residents the chance to win \$1,000 each week. As part of a public health initiative, the City of Chattanooga will conduct weekly random drawings to identify one (1) vaccinated Hamilton County resident per drawing to win a \$1,000 cash prize, and other prizes that may be announced. Unvaccinated residents may become eligible for the sweepstakes first by becoming fully vaccinated, then submitting an entry during the Incentive Program Period.
- 2. **CITY FACILITIES REMAIN OPEN**. City facilities shall remain open unless staffing issues force closure. City employees will continue to receive 100% of employee time off for COVID related absences as determined by HR for up to 80 hours of missed time from work; and also 2/3rds of their employee time off for family related COVID illness or quarantine time after 80 hours until January 31, 2022. City employees with a positive COVID test should call the COVID Hotline at 423-643-7990 for instructions on quarantine and contact tracing.

Please visit <u>www.chattanooga.gov</u> for any changing departmental communications during this period of this Order.

Issued this 21st day of January, 2022, pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. §§ 38-9-101, et seq. and 58-8-104 and 58-2-110 (3) by the Mayor of the City of Chattanooga, Tennessee.



TIM KELLY, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF CHATTANOOGA