



City of Sherwood
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Sherwood Declares Moratorium on Evictions During Emergency

The City of Sherwood has taken additional steps to help protect residential and commercial tenants from possible evictions during this Covid-19 emergency within the Sherwood community. Tonight, in a special meeting, the Sherwood City Council adopted a resolution ratifying an addendum to the City's previous declaration of a State of Emergency. The addendum was issued by City Manager Joseph Gall earlier today.

Specifically, the addendum imposes a temporary moratorium on all residential and commercial evictions in the City of Sherwood for tenants based on nonpayment of rent due to wage loss or loss of business revenue resulting from Covid-19.

"As we collectively respond to this national emergency, it is important for tenants and landlords to work together during this pandemic," stated Mayor Keith Mays. "Many of our businesses and individuals have been economically impacted by this virus and we want to provide an additional level of support during this time. We expect that there will be additional federal and state assistance for impacted families and businesses, but new programs don't begin overnight. As Mayor, I am confident that the vast majority of landlords in Sherwood will do the right thing for their tenants. This action just makes our expectations very clear as your local elected leaders."

The temporary moratorium will remain in effect for the duration of the declaration of emergency as originally set forth in the March 12, 2020 declaration. Questions concerning the moratorium and enforcement can be directed to Daniel Miller, Code Compliance at 503.625.4236.

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