

CITY OF PHILADELPHIA
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH
MEETING OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH

Wednesday, April 29, 2020

The Philadelphia Board of Health held an emergency public meeting on Wednesday, April 29, 2020. The meeting was held virtually using the GoToWebinar platform in light of restrictions related to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, allowing access to the public via computer or other device and via a toll-free phone number.

Board Members Present

Dr. Thomas Farley, Dr. Tyra Bryant-Stephens, Dr. Ana Diez Roux, Dr. Marla Gold, Dr. Jennifer Ibrahim, Dr. Amid Ismail, Dr. Scott McNeal, Dr. John Rich

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Health Commissioner and Board President Thomas Farley, MD, MPH called the meeting to order at 6:05 PM.

THIRD SUPPLEMENTAL EMERGENCY REGULATION GOVERNING THE CONTROL AND PREVENTION OF COVID-19 (AUTHORIZED CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITY)

Dr. Farley, with Lewis Rosman from the Law Department, presented on an emergency regulation governing the control and prevention of COVID-19 for consideration by the Board.

On April 29, 2020, the Mayor of the City of Philadelphia and the Health Commissioner determined that, in order to allow limited economic activity to protect existing construction sites, and to protect jobs and investment in the City, within strict limitations appropriate to the situation and the need to limit the spread of COVID-19, construction activity may resume in the City on the bases outlined in an Order signed April 29, 2020, entitled “Authorization for the Conduct of Certain Construction Activity Currently Prohibited by the March 22, 2020 Emergency Order Temporarily Prohibiting Operation of Non-Essential Businesses And Individual Activity to Prevent the Spread of 2019 Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19),” and this emergency regulation adopted the April 29, 2020 order.

Motion for approval of regulation approved unanimously.

EMERGENCY REGULATION GOVERNING THE CONTROL AND PREVENTION OF COVID-19 PERTAINING TO FINES AND PENALTIES

Dr. Farley, with Lewis Rosman from the Law Department, presented on an emergency regulation governing the control and prevention of COVID-19 for consideration by the Board.

This regulation provided for enhanced fines for violations of the Board's COVID-related regulations, including future regulations related to management of the COVID-19 emergency.

Motion for approval of regulation approved unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

Dr. Farley adjourned the meeting at 6:49 PM.