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In accordance with the Emergency Operations Plan, the City is implementing the measures below. This report will be updated as new information becomes available.

**City facilities remain open for business and providing services unless indicated below.**

The Mayor will be requesting the City Council enact an emergency declaration at the City Council meeting on Monday, March 16, 2020. Staff will be briefing the City Council on the City's current response.

Information on City events and/or meetings for the rest of March is below. The City will re-evaluate on March 27 for April events/meetings. Please check "Latest News" on the website at [www.forestgrove-or.gov](http://www.forestgrove-or.gov) for daily updates.

#### City Council Meeting, March 16:

- All work sessions will be held in the Community Auditorium.
- Teleconferencing options will be available for City Councilors.

#### Boards & Commission Meetings

- Parks and Rec Commission, March 18: NOT cancelled, teleconference options made available
- Library Commission, March 18: cancelled
- Community Forestry Commission March 18: cancelled
- Public Arts Commission, March 19: cancelled
- Sustainability Commission, March 19: cancelled
  - Sustainability Commission's Earth Day event, April 18: postponed
- Historic Landmarks Board, March 24: NOT cancelled, will have teleconference option
- Public Safety Advisory Commission, March 25: cancelled
- Budget Committee meetings are being rescheduled, dates to be released shortly

#### City Operations:

- Library
  - Rogers Room Events and Rentals cancelled until the end of March
  - Teens and Children Programs under review; further update on March 16
  - Adult Programs cancelled
- Aquatic Center: Facility open regular hours for public swim and fitness swim
  - Aerobics classes under review; further update on March 16
- Utility Billing: No power and water shut offs for non-payment will be occurring in March

#### City Precautionary Measures:

- Posted signs in all City buildings encouraging patrons and staff to wash their hands and stay home if sick.
- Increased cleaning frequency in high-traffic areas such as public restrooms and countertops.
- **Staff will be practicing social distancing and other precautions when dealing with the public in City facilities.**

#### Parks/Aquatics:

- Increased disinfecting and cleaning of public restrooms, locker rooms, and counter areas.

- Reorganizing the pool deck spectator areas to increase social distancing.
- Hand sanitizer at all public counters.

Library:

- Increased disinfecting of keyboards, mice, and countertops.
- Hand sanitizer at each cluster of work stations.
- Temporary removal of all toys from public areas.
- Evaluating scheduled programs through the first week of April to determine if they will be held or postponed.

Police:

- Encouraging remote reporting of non-emergency incidents by dialing 503-629-0111.
- For emergencies, continue to utilize 911.
- For police reports, please visit the website at [www.forestgrove-or.gov](http://www.forestgrove-or.gov) , go to the Police page, click on Records Request, click on Request Public Records and email request to [pdrecords@forestgrove-or.gov](mailto:pdrecords@forestgrove-or.gov).

Fire:

- Acquiring additional personal protective equipment for first responders.
- Posting prevention flyers at all public facilities.
- Distributing prevention flyers to the Chamber of Commerce for distribution to businesses.
- Educating staff on decontamination of highly used public items, i.e., books, equipment.

Water:

- Protection of public health is Forest Grove Water Department's number one priority. Before reaching Forest Grove customer's taps, water is filtered, cleaned, and treated. This process removes, disinfects, and chemically inactivates viruses, bacteria, and other living organisms from the drinking water, including COVID-19.
- Water served by the City of Forest Grove Water Department is safe to drink and use.

Senior and Community Center:

- The following activities have been suspended temporarily:
  - Friday breakfast
  - April's 1<sup>st</sup> Friday Dinner
  - Bingo
  - Any Center-sponsored activities with more than 10 attendees.
  - Gift Shop

The City of Forest Grove is adhering to guidance from the health authorities listed below. Please utilize these health experts for accurate coronavirus information:

State of Oregon: [The Oregon Health Authority \(OHA\)](#)  
 Washington County: [The Washington County Department of Health and Human Services](#)  
 United States: [The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention](#)  
 International: [The World Health Organization \(WHO\)](#)

Have a question for the City of Forest Grove? [Email us here](#) or contact Incident Management Team Public Information Officer: Dave Nemeyer, [dnemeyer@forestgrove-or.gov](mailto:dnemeyer@forestgrove-or.gov) or 503-992-3177.