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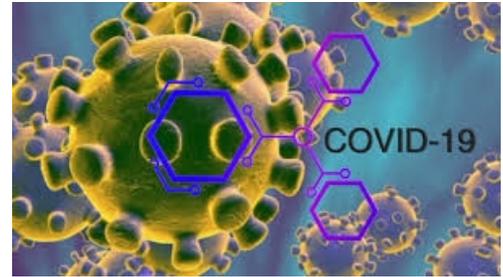


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Dear Residents,

As you know something called COVID-19 has recently and quickly invaded our lives in so many ways. I urge everyone to stay vigilant and follow guidelines provided by the Center for Disease Control (CDC) and our local health departments.



The main advice at this time is:

- 1. Wash your hands often. Use soap and water for 20 seconds or a hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol. The disease can stay on surfaces for a awhile.**
- 2. Do not put your hands on your face. The disease is transmitted through you eye, nose, and mouth.**
- 3. Practice social distancing. This mean to stay at least 6 feet from other peoples mouths. Spiting, coughing, and sneezing can transfers the virus to anyone within 6 feet of someone else.**
- 4. Avoid crowds of 50 people or more. The more people around you, the less likely you can properly "social distance.**

Please follow these guidelines and stay diligent for yours health and others, but also realize the emergency measures ordered by the governor to help ensure these guidelines are followed will also provide for another crises. For many, a personal economic crises.

I am not criticizing the governor because the infectious nature of this disease require major measures. I just hope that everyone is aware that with the shut down of major events, bars, sit down restaurants, movie theater, and gyms will create some major personal economic crisis for many of us. Not only these venues will be effected, but the stores and shopping centers, taxies, Ubers, and Lyft drivers supported by these venues will be effected. Many of our neighbors are wage earners, and when they can not work, they have no money. Please look out for your neighbor, stay civil, and realize a lot of people are under a lot of pressure.

I am happy to say that the governor has also prohibited utilities from cutting yours off, and he is prohibiting evictions at this time. I hope he ensures it is extend beyond the ban so people have time to recover financially. I will lobby for that because I know it is needed. There are other helpful financial programs starting to emerge, and we will be sure to keep you informed as we learn new things.

I have assigned Renee Watts, our Recreation Coordinator, to be our **Humanitarian Coordinator**. She will be reaching out to seniors, and other undeserved individuals to find out where the needs are and how we can help. We will also be working with the business community to make sure they can get the best relief available to them and their workers.

If you have issues and need our voice to help or you need guidance and directions please call the town hall. I have instructed staff to become aware and stay abreast of all services and/or programs that may assist our residents.

The town hall is open, however expect that most business will be conducted in the vestibule. We have establish a set of controls and protocols to protect you and the staff.

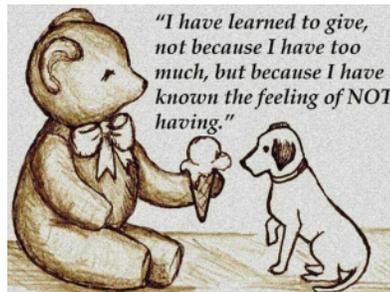
If you can help with supporting seniors and those with some financial challenges, whether it be shopping for seniors, donating canned goods, finding programs that we can share, or making cash donations, so we can stock up on supplies (hand sanitizer, toilet paper, dish detergent, paper towels, etc.) that people may not be able to buy, we would greatly appreciate all the support we can get in these very challenging times. We are all in this together.

You should look forward to hear from us as we learn more. Please stay safe, calm, appreciative and joyful.

Sincerely,



Sadara Barrow, Mayor



PS: As a side note, with the children out of school and the weather changing, I am sure there will be a good amount of outdoor activities. Please advise the children that even play surfaces hold germs, ensure that if you are with them you wipe down the surfaces with an alcohol pad. If not, please make sure they wash their hand thoroughly when they return home.

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