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CITY OF VALLEJO COVID-19 UPDATE #3

VALLEJO, CA – The City of Vallejo and Solano County Public Health continue to monitor local conditions and circumstances associated with COVID-19.

City Services

The City of Vallejo will be closing and/or reducing public hours at City facilities beginning Tuesday, March 17 through March 31. For the health and safety of City employees and the public, the City will offer a single location for limited City services. Many City staff will continue to work using social distancing protocols in the office or telecommuting. The City encourages the public that if they must conduct City business to make every attempt to do so online or by phone.

- City Hall will be closed to the public.
 - Limited City services will be provided 8:30 a.m. to 12-noon in the City's Housing Division, located at 200 Georgia Street (at Santa Clara Street)
 - Housing Division Services by appointment only
 - Cashier Water Bills, Public Works, Parking, Planning, Building, etc.
 - Drop-box at Housing
 - Permits Building, Planning, Public Works/Engineering
 - Bids Public Works, Water
 - Claims and subpoenas
- Please utilize email to submit Permits for Building, Planning, Public Works/Engineering, bid documents for Public Works, Water, and any other applicable City service.
- Utilize USPS or other mail carrier to remit plans, bids, water bills, etc. to the City.
- Police Department, 111 Amador Street, limited lobby services
- Water Department, Fleming Hill, will only be accepting essential service deliveries.
- Water bills will still need to be paid on time to avoid late fees, even though water service disconnections will be temporarily suspended.
- Cancelation of all City Boards and Commission Meetings through March 31.

The Vallejo City Council will hold a Special City Council Meeting tonight at 6:00 p.m. to consider a declaration of a local emergency which would allow for greater flexibility in the deployment of City employees, acquisition of needed equipment, supplies and other resources to ensure continuity of City operations, and other State and Federal resources for the community. The meeting can be viewed online here.

In an effort to protect our Firefighters, Police Officers, and Paramedics, we ask that if anyone calls 9-1-1 for any reason, to inform the 9-1-1 dispatcher if you are experiencing any flu-like symptoms.

The City continues to hold ongoing, internal briefings to assess the event, deploy plans, and advance phased response strategies. The City is prepared to activate the emergency operation center as the event necessitates. Go to the City's website for the most up-to-date information, www.cityofvallejo.net.

COVID-19 State Government Key Messages

Governor Newsom said there are 5.3 million Californians age 65 and older. His direction is for those older workers to stay home, and his advice for self-isolation is effective immediately. He said the state will be setting up a system to help get food to needy home-bound seniors.

He also announced the state will prohibit visitors to nursing homes, except in end-of-life circumstances. He said the state also will launch an effort to get homeless indoors in trailers and motels.

Gov. Newsom directed bars, wineries and nightclubs to close, and stopped just short of ordering restaurants to close because he feels the most vulnerable portion of the population, those 65 and older, will be kept away, and that he wants at this point to maintain a "productive society." He said he wants restaurants to station dining groups at least six feet away from others.

Newsom said he is taking the dramatic steps to <u>slow the rate of infection</u> and reduce the number of deaths by giving doctors and hospitals a chance to treat the most serious patients without becoming overwhelmed. As of March 15, 2:00 p.m., there were 335 cases of coronavirus in California and that six people have died of the virus. The governor said the state is in negotiations to prepare more hospitals for expected illnesses and will announce this week steps that will be taken to avoid residents being evicted from their residences as a result of business shutdowns.

As of March 15, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention issued revised guidance urging people across the U.S. to cancel or postpone events with 50 or more attendees for the next eight weeks to try to contain the fast-moving pandemic...guidelines don't apply to educational settings.

Additional Resources & Information

- Visit the City's website www.cityofvallejo.net/NCOV for the latest information.
- Community Mitigation
- CDC instructions for how to take care of yourself at home when sick
- Solano Public Health Guidance for Vulnerable Populations at High Risk for Severe Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) (en español)
- State Health & Emergency Officials released guidance to prepare and protect homeless Californians and service providers from COVID-19, available here.
- Requirements on Social Gatherings: Executive Order
- Vallejo City Unified School District: https://vcusd-ca.schoolloop.com/coronavirusupdate
- Economic Impact: Go-Biz resources page
- Visit the Solano County Public Health Facebook page (@SolanoCountyPH)
- Register for Alert Solano to receive emergency alerts.