City of McCleary PUBLIC ANNOUNCMENT



As we face the challenges presented because of the Novel Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19), the City of McCleary is in communication with public health experts and officials as well as the Governor's office to ensure we are receiving current information and guidance.

Following advice from public health officials and the urging of Governor Inslee to enact policies, procedures, and protocols to ensure public health and safety, the City of McCleary will be instituting the following measures:

- City hall and city buildings will be closed to the general public beginning Tuesday, March 17, 2020. Utility payments can be made utilizing the drop box outside city hall or by making payments online at https://www.xpressbillpay.com/#/. If you do not have a computer, you can call (360) 495-3667 where city staff can assist you in making an online payment over the phone.
- City staff will be available to respond to phone calls and emails.
- The city is maintaining emergency services and ensuring our first responders are safe and practicing universal precautions regarding personal protective equipment (PPE) and interaction with individuals and the public.
- The city will continue to provide utility services and respond to necessary service calls that rise to an emergency level or that can be accommodated while practicing safe infection control and prevention protocols.
- Any meetings involving non-city staff scheduled to be held at city hall or in other city buildings are canceled through Friday, April 3, 2020. At that time, we will evaluate available information and determine if the closure of city hall and city buildings will continue. The city will work with the Food Bank to ensure its continued operation and will work with groups who have pre-paid for events at the Community Center.
- The city will close the public restrooms located at the park and at the bus terminal until further notice.
- Per directive from the Governor's office, all public and private schools will be closed through April 24, 2020.
- Timberland Regional Library will be closed until April 24, 2020.
- In order to protect your family and loved ones, please familiarize yourself with guidelines and recommendations from health experts at the <u>Centers for Disease Control</u> <u>and Prevention</u> (CDC), <u>The World Health Organization</u> (WHO), the <u>Washington State</u> <u>Department of Health</u> (DOH), and the <u>Grays Harbor Public Health and Social Services</u>.

If you have questions or need information, please contact city staff by calling (360) 495-3667.