

PRESS RELEASE

TO: All Media

FM: City of Harrisburg

RE: City's Coronavirus Response

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In light of Governor Brown's Executive Order regarding the Corona Virus and restricting public gatherings, and an increasing number of Covid-19 cases in our regional area, the City of Harrisburg is temporarily closing public access to Harrisburg City Hall and the City's library. All library programs are suspended indefinitely.

The city water and sewer bills should be paid as required. Customers can utilize the drop box for payments, can pay on-line, or over the phone. During this emergency, the city will NOT shutoff water for failure to make timely payments. However, late charges will still apply. Customers who are unable to pay their bill need to call utility billing at (541) 995-6655 to schedule payments.

If you wish to submit, or pick up a building permit, please contact City Hall to make an appointment with City staff. Questions in relation to Planning should be submitted via telephone or by email to jhitt@ci.harrisburg.or.us, or to meldridge@ci.harrisburg.or.us.

All police patrols and public works services (water, sewer, streets) will continue as usual, except that members of the public, when approaching these city employees, are asked to follow the CDC's 'Social Distancing' recommendation of six feet.

The city regrets any inconvenience to our citizens and urges everyone to follow the personal protection protocols recommend by the US Center for Disease Control (CDC) and Oregon State Health Authority.

Any questions or concerns about this matter should be directed to City Administrator John Hitt at 541-995-2200.