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Mount Rainier, MD – On May 19, 2020, the Mayor and City Council of the City of Mount Rainier announced that the City would lift the Stay-at-Home order on June 1, and will begin a modified phase-one re-opening. This decision was made following the guidance of Prince George’s County and the local health department.

As the City of Mount Rainier enters a modified phase-one re-opening on June 1, residents are strongly encouraged to exercise caution and stay home as much as possible. The modified phase-one re-opening includes the following:

- **Retail stores** may open with curbside pick-up only.
- **Barbershops and hair salons** may open for hair services only and by appointment only, with one customer per 200 square feet and use of PPE by all employees.
- **Restaurants** may open with outside seating only. A maximum of 6 people may be seated at a table, and tables must be at least six feet apart. A maximum of 50 people are allowed at any outdoor restaurant establishment regardless of space. Employees must receive health screenings before their shifts, and all CDC guidelines must be followed.
- **Houses of worship** may open for gatherings with a maximum of 10 people. Otherwise, they must maintain online services only.
- **Childcare facilities** may open for essential employees, and for employees who are returning to work due to the modified phase-one re-opening. A staggered schedule for pick-ups and drop-offs must be in place. Symptoms for COVID-19 should be checked every day. A strict dismissal policy must be adhered to in the event of a positive case. All employees must use masks, gloves, and follow social-distancing guidelines. The facility should be disinfected daily.
- **City Hall** will re-open on June 8, 2020, with a modified schedule. Staff will alternate days in the office and teleworking.

The following guidelines will remain in place:

- Parks will remain open with appropriate social distancing measures in place.
- Basketball courts and playgrounds will remain closed.
- Fitness facilities will remain closed.

- Residents and visitors must wear face coverings inside all businesses and on public transportation.
- Businesses must continue to enforce social distancing.

The following services and activities will continue without disruption:

- **City Council meetings** will continue to take place virtually. The public is encouraged to view the meetings on television or via our website, and Facebook live.
- Trash, bulk trash, recycling, and waste collection will continue as scheduled.
- Police patrols and emergency response;

As the guidelines evolve, the City will promptly provide an update. For the latest and most up-to-date City news and information, please visit the City's website (www.mountrainiermd.org), and follow the City's Facebook and Instagram social media pages.