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UPDATE – COVID-19

The City of Mount Rainier continues to prepare for and monitor the COVID-19 outbreak. The City is following the Center for Disease Control (CDC) and state and county health departments guidance to ensure we are aware of the latest information and recommended action for our area.

As of yesterday, Prince George’s County has confirmed four positive cases for novel coronavirus, COVID-19. The latest patient is a man in his sixties who is currently receiving treatment in a hospital. His travel history is under investigation by Prince George’s County Health Department and the State of Maryland. The county is conducting a contact tracing investigation to determine exposure within the County.

To help reduce the risk of transmission, the City of Mount Rainier has implemented social distancing to slow the communal spread of the disease as recommended by the Center for Disease Control (CDC). The goal of any changes in operation or cancellation is to slow the communal spread of the disease.

Considering the growing number of confirmed COVID-19 cases, effective immediately, all committee meetings, activities and the like scheduled for the community room at the Police Department are cancelled. Please consider using online services where available to conduct city business to avoid visiting City Hall, the Police Department, Public Works, and the library. This policy is in effect at least through the end of March. We will make a decision regarding activities beyond the end of March as necessary.

As of now, the following services and activities will continue without disruption:

- City Council meetings will continue to take place; however, the public is encouraged to view the meetings on television or via our website, and Facebook live;
- Trash, recycling and waste collection will continue as scheduled;
- Police patrols and emergency response;
- Code compliance and inspections; and
- Parking enforcement.

As the situation continues to evolve, the City will update the public as necessary. Please visit the City's website ([www.mountrainiermd.org](http://www.mountrainiermd.org)), and follow the City's social media platforms (Facebook and Instagram) for the latest and most up-to-date City news and information.

Misinformation about COVID-19 can create fear and hostility that hurts people and makes it harder to keep everyone healthy. Share accurate information from the CDC, state or county health departments. For the latest and most accurate information about the evolving situation, visit the CDC, state and county health departments websites;

- CDC: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus>
- Maryland Department of Health: <https://health.maryland.gov/pages/home.aspx>
- Prince George's County Department of Health: <https://www.princegeorgescountymd.gov/1588/Health-Services>