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City of Signal Hill Takes Additional Precautionary Measures to Address COVID-19

SIGNAL HILL -- The City of Signal Hill is diligently monitoring the evolving situation surrounding COVID-19. The City is under the jurisdiction of the L.A. County Department of Public Health, and we are committed to following all directives and guidance from County, State, and Federal health officials. The following additional precautionary measures will be in place through April 30, 2020, or until further notice.

“Ensuring the health and safety of our residents and employees is our top priority. These precautionary measures will help reduce community spread,” said Mayor Lori Y. Woods. “Please be assured that Signal Hill city officials are receiving regular updates regarding the latest information available from the County, the State, and the CDC, and using this information to determine appropriate measures.”

“Currently there are no reported cases of coronavirus in Signal Hill and it is important that we do all we can to help manage and contain transmission,” said Woods. “Everyone should continue following all guidance on personal prevention actions. We’ll continue to keep the community informed and appreciate everyone’s efforts as we work through this.”

On March 12, 2020, the City issued a press release regarding the cancellations of non-essential programs and events. Based on the latest information, the City will be taking the following additional precautionary measures:

City Council, Commission, and Committee Meetings

All City Council, Commission, and Committee meetings scheduled in March will take place as planned. Social distancing will be encouraged for any attendees. Members of the public are highly encouraged to use one of the alternatives to attending provided below.

Members of the public wishing to view City Council meetings can watch live via the City’s website (http://cityofsignalhill.granicus.com/ViewPublisher.php?view_id=2), Charter

Channel 3 and Frontier FiOS Channel 38. Repeat broadcasts are available daily at 7:00 a.m., 2:00 p.m., and 7:00 p.m.

Members of the public wishing to participate and engage with public officials through public comments will have the option to access a teleconference line where they will have the opportunity to make public comments. Members of the public may also email public comments to be read into the record to CityClerk@cityofsignalhill.org or may call 562-989-7300.

Members of the public wishing to listen in on Commission and Committee meetings, and those members of the public wishing to participate and engage with public officials through public comments will have the option to access a teleconference line where they will have the opportunity to make public comments. Members of the public may also email public comments to be read into the record to CityClerk@cityofsignalhill.org or may call 562-989-7300.

City Recreation Programming

The Long Beach Unified School District (LBUSD) has decided to close schools beginning Monday, March 16 through Friday, April 17. Based on guidance provided by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the City's After School Recreation Club and Tween Program will also be closed beginning Monday, March 16 through Friday, April 17. This strategy is expected to stop or slow the further spread of COVID-19 in communities. We understand the hardship this may cause for some of our families, but during this time we are making those decisions which support the health of our students, staff, families, and community.

Water Shut-Off Suspension

In support of the City's continuing efforts to promote public health and safety, the Signal Hill Water Department will be suspending all water shut-offs through April 30. The suspension may be extended based upon further guidance from health and safety officials. Please be assured COVID-19 has no impact on the quality or supply of Signal Hill's tap water and should not disrupt water service to customers. The Signal Hill Water Department is following all state and federal health and water quality guidelines relating to COVID-19 and will continue to maintain any compliance practices if new regulations are developed.

As a reminder per the press release issued March 12, 2020, all non-essential City programs and events have been cancelled through April 30, 2020.

These actions are being implemented not to cause concern, but to mitigate potential rapid transmission of COVID-19 in and around our community. These measures also protect at-risk individuals from becoming seriously ill and help to avoid an overload of our health care system. We can all do our part to prevent the spread of this new virus. Stay home when you are not feeling well, wash your hands regularly, avoid close contact with those who are ill, and practice good health hygiene. We encourage you to

use trusted sources for information on COVID-19. Visit <http://www.cityofsignalhill.org/coronavirus> for the latest information and guidelines on how to stay healthy. You can also dial 2-1-1 for information directly from the L.A. County Public Health Department.
