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City of Brecksville

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We hope that you continue to stay home, and when necessary to be out and about, separate yourselves under the guidelines prescribed for this virus. The Center for Disease Control and Prevention is recommending if you are going to areas where there will be other people, such as grocery stores and or drug stores, wear a mask, especially if you are having any symptoms of flu or illness. This is more so you do not spread to others. Please refer to the city webpage for information regarding the wearing of masks.

A few issues have been brought to the attention of the City in our efforts to assist our residents in dealing with, and coping with this virus.

First, we are permitting, temporarily, residents and homeowners the ability to park a camper or motorhome in their residential driveways for the purpose of separating those in the medical profession, first responders, and other similar professions, who are encountering or treating those who are infected (or potential to come in contact) with the coronavirus. Each individual case of a resident making the request has been interviewed by the City and their request reviewed prior to a temporary waiving of the prohibition within our code. Again, this is a temporary measure and will be monitored closely by the City.

Some communities have suspended recycling due to the extraordinary quantity of recycled materials being received. It is believed that this remarkable amount is due to the number of takeout meals and packaging of items now being delivered to our homes. The City of Brecksville continues its curbside recycling and solid waste pick up, but we ask that you flatten your cardboard boxes and that you bag or place in a rubbish can all of your solid waste rather than leaving individual objects roadside. We are asking your cooperation and hope you can temporarily hold off your spring cleaning and understand the impact of large volume curbside pickup. Further reminder, the Saturday recycling drop off is suspended until further notice. Do not drop off your recyclables at the locked gate of the Service Department. We ask for your compliance and patients.

The City continues to receive a large volume of calls regarding tax refund scams, federal and state financial assistance scams, and the threat of thefts from your front porches where goods are being delivered. It is unfortunate that certain unscrupulous people take advantage of opportunities created by this unusual and remarkable time. Please contact your local Police and report any suspicious phone calls emails or persons seen or encountered.

There is limited time left to vote. Please make note of the deadlines if you wish to cast your ballot in this extended primary election. It is very important that we exercise our right to vote, deciding candidates that our vital to our future.

Please continue to patronize our local businesses. If you have any questions or concerns regarding financial assistance and/or taxation, direct yourself towards the city webpage where we have included the many resources available to you.

City Hall remains open Monday through Friday from 8:00am to 5:00pm. We suggest e-mails and

telephone contact as being the best way to connect with the City for your needs.

Again, tomorrow, April 7th, City Council will hold its regular meeting in a teleconference. At 7:00 pm City Council will meet as a whole and discuss items normally brought before each individual committee. Thereafter, at 8:00 pm, City Council will hold its regularly scheduled Council meeting. City Council members, Department Head Staff, Legal Staff, City Engineer, and the Mayor will call in to the teleconferencing center. This will be live and accessible by the public on Facebook. You do NOT need a Facebook Account to listen to the meeting live. The public will not be able to address City Council or ask questions as part of the teleconference meeting, however, they can send their questions and comments by e-mail directly to Council prior to or after the meeting via e-mail address: ttabor@brecksville.oh.us.

If you have a Facebook account – login and go to the City of Brecksville Facebook Page

If you do not have a Facebook account click the following link:

<https://www.facebook.com/233577357056186/live/>

*** Please note link will not be active until live streaming begins on April 7th, 2020, at 7:00 pm ***

We will then create a link on the city webpage the day after the meeting for those who are interested in listening to the meeting. Again, the meeting procedure has been dictated by state legislature and is only temporary. Council will continue to meet via teleconference each regularly scheduled 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month. All e-mails to Council, Mayor, and staff will be answered promptly. If you have any questions about these procedures, please feel free to call City Hall at 440-526-4351.

All other meetings of City boards and commissions have been cancelled through the month of April.

Both the State and County Department of Health, as well as the Federal Government, believe we may soon be at the peak of this virus and project these next two weeks to be very critical. Please continue the stay at home policy. And do your best to protect you and your family. Two weeks now of increased diligence could reduce months of future spreading of this disease.

Lastly, if there is anything that the City may be assisting you in, feel free to call upon our various departments at 440-526-4351, and as many of you have, feel free to contact me personally at 216-316-6666. I appreciate your many comments and suggestions. Some have been extremely creative in dealing with this virus and protecting themselves and their families. Anything you can do to assist any friend or neighbor in need will be most appreciated. This entire community, in my opinion, is rallying together during this most difficult time. A lot of stories are being created, which in time, I am sure, will be shared for years and years. This will soon be in our past and hopefully many lessons learned. Please stay healthy and keep your family and friends well.

Sincerely Yours,

Jerry N. Hruby
Mayor



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