

CITY OF FOND DU LAC - Memorandum

City Manager

Date: March 18, 2020
To: News Media
From: Joe Moore, City Manager
Re: Coronavirus Update



Due to the ongoing potential for serious disaster related to the Coronavirus (COVID-19), under the authority of Wis. Stat. Sec. 323.14(4)(b), I have declared that the City of Fond du Lac is in a state of emergency. Declaring a state of emergency allows the temporary modification of ordinances and resolutions to expedite the use of resources to prevent the person-to-person spread of COVID-19.

Immediate modifications were made to allow all City Council members, Boards and Commission members, staff, and meeting participants to conduct official meetings thru remote access and for their online participation to count towards creating a quorum. The location of the governmental meetings, typically held in the City/County building, will be hosted online, including providing access online to the public until October 1, 2020 or sooner if the emergency state is resolved.

While we may be temporarily altering how we conduct official meetings and other city operations to reduce the disastrous spread of COVID-19, I want to remind Fond du Lac residents that the continuity of critical services are still a high priority. Some of the critical services we provide are:

1. Providing safe drinking water
2. Treating waste water
3. Enforcing the law
4. Preventing and fighting fires
5. Providing ambulance service to injured and sick people
6. Collecting garbage
7. Providing public transit

We will be keeping a running list of altered operations on our website at www.fdl.wi.gov and continue to inform the public of additions. The following changes have occurred since our previous press release:

- All downtown businesses are being provided one parking spot in front of their businesses for patrons to receive curbside pickup
- Three employees are currently quarantined
- Lakeside Park Pavilion is closed to all rentals

We will continue to do our part to reduce the spread of the Coronavirus, but we must do this together. Please follow the recommendations from healthcare providers to wash your hands often, do not touch your face, keep your distance from others, and self-quarantine if you feel ill or may have been exposed. If you are experiencing symptoms, or worry you may have been exposed to the coronavirus, please call 844-225-0147 for more direction from health officials before going to a healthcare facility.

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