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BURLINGTON – COVID-19 (Update #3)

#SaferAtHome

With the announcement of Governor Evers #SaferAtHome, this leaves many questions including: 1) What does #SaferAtHome mean? How long will this be in affect? Does this mean I can go to work? Can I go outside? Can I go to the City of Burlington parks or any other park?

Governor Evers announced a State-wide #SaferAtHome order, beginning at 8 a.m. on March 25, through 8 a.m. on April 25 or until a superseding order is issued. This means you are prohibited from non-essential travel with some exceptions as clarified and defined in the order. The order is available [here](#). The order contains detailed information regarding the exemptions provided to certain businesses. If a business is unsure about whether or not they are exempted from this order, please contact the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation [here](#).

Reflecting the COVID-19 global pandemic and national public health emergency, the Common Council will approve at its April 8 Common Council meeting the issued emergency declaration for the City of Burlington. Mayor Hefty issued an [emergency declaration](#) for the City on March 18, 2020. This measure provides the City with the ability to utilize emergency purchasing and emergency staffing protocols and procedures as needed. It further provides direction for staff to continue to closely work with partner governments in our region and with the state and federal governments to address this emergency situation.

As a reminder City Hall, the Public Works Building and Water Pollution Control Facility, Laboratory and the Fire Department are closed to the public. City of Burlington employees that support the administrative functions normally from City Hall are performing their work remotely. Residents can access some City services online and call or e-mail the City with questions during regular business hours (Monday - Friday, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.). Please refer to the March 18 press release for specific details and contact information [here](#).

Essential functions of Police and Fire Services will continue full operations.

We recommend absentee voting by mail to minimize any public contact. To receive your ballot at home, please apply for a ballot by April 2 at www.myvote.wi.gov or request an absentee ballot application at cityhall@burlington-wi.gov. In-person absentee voting is still being held at the Police Station, 224 E. Jefferson Street Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. until April 3, 2020. Please note, this may change, and we will immediately communicate any changes.

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