

**CITY OF LAUREL**  
**OFFICE OF THE MAYOR**



**CRAIG A. MOE**  
**MAYOR**

**Executive Order No. 2020-03**

**Subject:** City of Laurel Operations  
During Civil Emergency and  
Existence of Public Health Emergency  
COVID-19

**Effective Date:** March 13, 2020

Pursuant to the powers granted to me by Section 2-176 and Section 2-177 of the Laurel City Code, I, Craig A. Moe, Mayor of the City of Laurel have declared a Municipal Civil Emergency in the City of Laurel due to an outbreak of disease (COVID-19) which does constitute an imminent threat to the health, safety and welfare of the City and its citizens.

As of March 13, 2020, there are seventeen (17) confirmed cases in the State of Maryland, including four (4) confirmed cases in Prince George's County. The transmission of the novel CORONAVIRUS in the County and the State is a threat to human health in the City of Laurel.

It is for that reason that I authorize the following actions to keep the community safe and to assist with limiting the spread of the Coronavirus, COVID-19. **The following actions shall take effect on Monday, March 16, 2020 at 7:00 a.m.:**

The City of Laurel's Emergency Operations Center (EOC), has been upgraded to the partial activation level and will continue to elevate as appropriate.

The City will follow and enforce Governor Hogan's Executive Orders.

The City has encouraged the faith based community to suspend or limit church services and functions.

This public health emergency is rapidly changing Citywide and we will continue to re-evaluate conditions.

## **PARKS AND RECREATION**

The Department of Parks and Recreation is suspending selected operations:

All City recreation facilities will remain closed until further notice.

All City sponsored activities including classes, workshops, trips, sports events, special events and rentals will be suspended until further notice. These activities do not include events sponsored by the 150th Anniversary Celebration Executive Committee, which will be announced separately.

All Senior Van Transportation will operate to transport members to medical appointments, Kidney dialysis and local grocery stores.

All outdoor City Parks will remain open, however event permits will be suspended and no new permits for use will be issued at this time.

With outdoor City Parks remaining open to the public, no large gatherings shall be allowed, which shall be enforced by the Laurel Police Department.

With outdoor City Parks remaining open, we continue to encourage the public to follow the social distancing recommendations of at least six (6) feet apart, as outlined by the CDC.

## **PUBLIC WORKS**

The City will continue to provide vital services, such as Refuse, Recycling and Organics Composting collections, on the regular schedules. Special trash/bulk pick up services will continue as normal, but the schedule is subject to change.

## **CODE ENFORCEMENT**

All inspections performed by the Office of the Fire Marshal and Permit Services will be determined on a case by case basis.

## **ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**

All zoning approvals, permits and plans due to expire will be extended for a period of up to six (6) months. Other applications, plan review submittals will be processed as normal.

## **MUNICIPAL CENTER**

The Municipal Center will remain open Monday through Friday, from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., All evening meetings of City of Laurel Boards, Commissions and Advisory Committees and extended Tuesday hours are temporarily suspended until further notice.

## LAUREL POLICE

Citizen Ride-Along and station tours are cancelled until further notice.

Non-essential department related travel out of the Washington and Baltimore Metropolitan areas is cancelled unless it pertains to the current health risk.


The Laurel Police Department has postponed the scheduled March 14, 2020, DUI Sobriety Checkpoint.

Until further notice the Laurel Police Department will be suspending the use of volunteers.

Dispatchers with the Laurel Police Department will provide an enhanced level of call screening to determine if anyone at the call location is experiencing flu like symptoms, so on scene Officers can be notified of their findings.

Finger printing services are suspended until further notice.

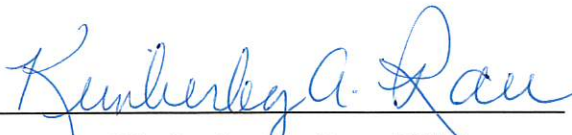
This Executive Order shall take effect immediately and shall remain in effect until my further Executive Order declaring the civil emergency ended.



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**Craig A. Moe**  
**Mayor**

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