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City Council, Board & Commission Meetings

Governor Inslee's [Proclamation 20-28](#), issued March 24th, suspends certain statutory requirements in the [Open Public Meetings Act](#) (OPMA) and [Public Records Act](#) (PRA) for 30 days. The public will not be permitted to attend the physical location of the City Council Meeting on March 26, 2020. To hear the meeting and all meeting materials, please use the Zoom meeting invite information below.

City Council meetings are planned to resume, on March 26, 2020 utilizing a "Virtual" Meeting Room. The public meetings comply with the Open Public Meetings Act and allow for public "virtual" attendance. Council Committee, Commission and other Board meetings will resume in April via virtual meeting rooms. Those interested in attending virtual public meetings should access the meeting via Zoom. Instructions are available [here](#). No citizen comments will be taken during the meeting.

City Facilities

Pursuant to the Governor's Proclamation (20-25) building and inspection services will change as follows (City Press Release March 26, 2020):

- The Proclamation includes an exemption "to prevent spoliation and avoid damage or unsafe conditions". The City of Stanwood interprets that to mean that construction sites with open framed buildings may continue to a point where the buildings are enclosed or otherwise "buttoned up", where exposure of construction materials or ongoing work to the weather will not result in spoilage. Inspectors will be following all social distancing and health safety precautions and if they feel these standards are not being met, they have the right to not inspect the site.
- Sites with open foundations may backfill the foundation and secure the site.
- Other construction sites that do not meet the term "essential" per the Governor's order shall not be inspected at this time. If you feel your project qualifies as essential or would like an exemption from the Proclamation, you must submit a request through the Governor's Office via:
<https://app.smartsheet.com/b/form/d4c155fa930f4b848f95774d610c9708>
- Contractors and property owners shall be responsible for ensuring their construction site is safely buttoned up until such time as the Proclamation is lifted.

· The City will continue to accept and issue building permits, however contractors and property owners shall be responsible for their properties and compliance with the Stay Home, Stay Healthy Proclamation.

· A drop box at City Hall where permit applications can be submitted. City staff will be collecting and depositing permit materials in these boxes daily.

Park restrooms, playground areas and other public areas where there is typically a gathering are closed as per the Governor Order to Stay at Home

City Hall Customer Services closed to Public walk-ins. Call City Hall 360-360-2181

Passport services.

Please check the US Department of State [website](#) for other nearby locations and we recommend calling those locations to verify availability. Fillable Passport renewal applications can be found online and submitted via US MAIL.

Utility billing payments.

Customers should make all payments either by US Mail, online, by phone, or the drop box in front of City Hall, rather than in person. To learn how to make payments on line visit this page: <https://wa-stanwood.civicplus.com/169/Bill-Statement-Management>.

- To make a payment by phone, please call 360-629-2181, and select option 0 for the finance department.
- Customers having difficulty making payments should contact the finance department immediately.

Use of City Hall Conference Room is closed for public use

Dog licenses and Notary services are unavailable

Level of service changes for Building Permit Plan Review and Inspections:

- City Hall is not open to the public for walk-in customer services at the permit and inspections counter. Building Permit applications may be submitted electronically via email to the Permit Specialist, Corinne Schakel at Corinne.Schakel@ci.stanwood.wa.us. Please include a PDF of the plans with the application.
- Larger Plan packets that are not able to be emailed can be dropped off at City Hall. A drop box has been placed at the front door of City Hall.

- You may pay for your permit fees over the phone by calling 360-629-2181; press 0 and our finance department staff will be able to assist you.
- Plan review and revisions will be handled via email and phone conferencing.
- Occupied Structures. The City will be performing limited inspections within occupied structures. If the work to be inspected is located within an occupied structure we will perform a virtual inspection via SKYPE, Video Conference Call or other methods agreeable to the Building Official.
- Please continue to call or email your inspection requests into the City and we will contact you on the best way to complete and finalize your permit. Our inspection phone number is 360-454-5217; our inspection email address is inspections@ci.stanwood.wa.us.
- New Construction. For new buildings under construction, our Inspectors will be practicing social distancing, as per the Health Department, for their safety as well as that of our customers. While performing site inspections, Inspectors will control their social distance on job sites and will require that contractors step back away from the area being inspected.

Stanwood Police Department

Main lobby closed to Public. For Emergencies call 911.

Fingerprinting and Concealed Pistol License processing at Stanwood Police Department is not available. New Concealed Pistol License (CPL) applications, CPL renewals and fingerprinting services are available through the Snohomish County Sheriff's Office. Information related to online processing can be found on [the Snohomish County Sheriff's website](#).

Tips For Staying Healthy

With the shortage of masks locally, consider making a mask from a scarf or perhaps you know a seamstress who can make one out of cloth, which can be washed and re-used.

Providence 100 Million Masks Challenge

Providence Hospitals has launched the 100 Million Masks Challenge to ensure that caregivers have the isolation masks they need to do their jobs safely until the regular distribution channels ramp up. The effort is started in Western Washington with a call for any volunteers that have the ability to sew and a sewing machine at home.

Providence created kits that will include all the materials volunteers need to make 100 medical-grade masks for health care professionals. This kit includes medical-grade material that has been lab tested. This material is not available for purchase commercially, which is why we are supplying it to our volunteers. Thanks to an overwhelming response from our community, all kits Providence is producing have been claimed! Visit <https://www.providence.org/lp/100m-masks> to learn more and monitor if more volunteers are needed.

The community is reminded that, based on available evidence, viruses are transmitted between people through close contact and droplets. Be diligent in:

- Washing hands thoroughly (20+ seconds)
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth
- Sneeze in your sleeve; Cough in your cuff
- Wear a mask if you have respiratory symptoms
- Maintain social distance (6') from individuals
- Limit activities where crowds are present

Guidance for individuals who have or think they may have COVID-19:

[What to do if you have confirmed or suspected coronavirus disease \(COVID-19\) \(PDF\)](#)

[What to do if you were potentially exposed to someone with confirmed coronavirus disease \(COVID-19\) \(PDF\)](#)

[What to do if you have symptoms of coronavirus disease 2019 \(COVID-19\) and have not been around anyone who has been diagnosed with COVID-19 \(PDF\)](#)

Special Shopping Hours for Seniors, Other At-Risk People

A number of local grocery stores have announced special shopping hours for senior citizens and others with vulnerable immune systems.

Albertsons, Haggen, and Safeway – Tues. & Thurs. from 7 a.m. to 9 a.m.

Target - Wednesdays, first hour after opening

Whole Foods – Daily, one hour before opening to the general public

North County Regional Fire Authority

<https://www.northcountyfireems.com/>

Stanwood Station 99 and all NCRFA Fire Stations - The COVID-19 outbreak has changed the way firefighters interact in the community. Even in non-emergency situations fire personnel will be adhering to social distancing rules. In responding to medical calls, one firefighter will come to your door dressed in protective gear to ask you a few questions before entering. They may also ask you to wear a mask. Also, we would like to remind everyone that fire stations are closed to visitors at this time. These changes are for your safety and the safety of our first responders.

WSDOT and Amtrak have suspended Amtrak Cascades service north of Seattle starting today.

<https://www.amtrak.com/coronavirus>

Local Resources & Stanwood Business Updates

YMCA - [Press Release](#) and [Flyer](#)

Stanwood Camano School District -Schools CLOSED through April

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The Stanwood – Camano School District in partnership with the Stanwood Food Bank is distributing food at four school locations and the YMCA. Starting Monday, a bus route will be started to deliver food directly to the Stanwood – Camano community students.

Food Bank & Thrift Store – <https://www.stanwoodcamanofoodbank.org/> [KidzEat Food Bank Flyer](#)

Josephine Caring Community- <https://www.josephinecc.com/>)

Community Resource Center – <http://www.crc-sc.org/>

Senior & Community Center – <https://www.stanwoodseniorcenter.org/>

PUD – <https://www.snopud.com/default.ashx?p=1097>

SnoPUD Public Offices Closed, Non-Essential Business Paused. All essential services, including deliver of power and water, will continue uninterrupted.

***In response to the COVID-19 outbreak, Snohomiksh PUD has developed a COVID Community Support Plan to help customers struggling to pay their electric and water bills. ([flyer](#))

Stanwood Library – <https://sno-isle.org/locations/stanwood>

Community Transit — <https://www.communitytransit.org/>

Effective at 5 a.m. on Friday, March 20, and until further notice, Community Transit has implemented the following policy changes for public health and employee safety:

- All Community Transit buses will be fare free
- All Community Transit buses will board and exit through the rear doors only
- The front door will remain accessible for ADA customers only
- The front 10 feet of all buses will be available for bus drivers and ADA customers only

These changes will help ensure that Community Transit drivers remain safe and healthy and better able to practice social distancing as advised by public health professionals.

Island Transit – <https://www.islandtransit.org/> [Rider Alert Flyer](#)

Stanwood-Camano Online Resource Hub – <https://pihchub.org/stanwood-camano/>

Red Cross – <https://www.redcross.org>

***A moratorium on eviction of tenants and mortgage foreclosures was enacted by Governor Inslee on March 18, 2020. Review the State Proclamation and information [here](#).

TRAVEL – For those who are still planning on traveling and who are flying out of Paine Field Airport, the parking fees have been waived now through April 5, 2020.

Federal Student Loans – Payments have been suspended for 60 days. Contact your Student Loan provider for details on how you can delay payments.

TAXES – Tax Filing Day was extended from April 15 to July 15. Visit www.irs.gov for details

Gov. Jay Inslee Announced a “Stay Home, Stay Healthy” Order Until Midnight April 6, 2020, Unless Extended

Starting Wednesday, March 25, 2020, most businesses will be closed statewide with the exception of [essential businesses](#) and key government functions. The State defines “Essential Critical Infrastructure Workers” as personnel who are needed to maintain continuity of operations of essential critical infrastructure sectors and additional sectors as the State Public Health Officer may designate as critical to protect health and well-being of all Washingtonians.

The Governor’s Proclamation does not prohibit working from home, operating a single owner business with no in-person, on-site public interaction, or restaurants and food services providing delivery or takeaway services, so long as proper social distancing and sanitation measures are established and implemented.

Residents are permitted to leave home in order to meet their essential needs. Essential needs include traveling to grocery stores and food banks, pharmacies, gas stations, urgent or emergency medical care, caring for an elderly or sick family member, and traveling to work for essential staff as defined by state or local authorities. For more information on what’s open and closed, please visit the State’s [webpage](#). You can read the governor’s announcement [here](#).

GOVERNOR INSLEE UPDATE TO STAY HOME, STAY HEALTHY ORDER

Enforcement of Stay at Home Order for Non-Essential Businesses During a press conference today, Gov. Jay Inslee was joined by Attorney General Bob Ferguson, Washington State Patrol Chief John Batiste and the police chiefs of Bellevue and Spokane to announce a three-step process for enforcement of the Stay at Home order for non-essential businesses. He stressed that enforcement will be a locally driven decision. Step 1 will focus on education and encouraging voluntary compliance. Step 2,

if compliance is not achieved with Step 1, will focus on citations or suspensions or revocation of business licenses. Step 3, if compliance is not achieved with Step 1 and 2, will result in the business being referred to the State Attorney General's office for possible charges. Anyone in the state will be able to visit coronavirus.wa.gov to report suspected business violations of the order. In Snohomish County, reports can also be made to the Snohomish Health District Environmental Health Division at 425-339-5250.

FEDERAL SOCIAL DISTANCING GUIDELINES EXTENDED TO APRIL 30

Over the weekend, Federal Social Distancing Guidelines were extended to April 30. More information: <https://www.whitehouse.gov/briefings-statements/coronavirus-guidelines-america/>

UPDATE -SNOHOMISH COUNTY- SNOHOMISH COUNTY ISOLATION AND QUARANTINE FACILITY OPENS THIS WEEK

Snohomish County is preparing a COVID-19 isolation and quarantine site to open this week at the Angel of the Winds Arena in downtown Everett. This facility will provide a site for temporary isolation and quarantine for those who may not be able to recover in their own home or who are among the county's unsheltered population. People who have COVID-19 would remain in isolation there until they are no longer contagious (e.g., 1-2 weeks), and those who were exposed but not ill would be quarantined until having passed through the 14-day incubation period. The primary mission of the facility is to reduce transmission to the public.

The site will be a secure facility. Clients there will be directed to stay until released under orders issued by the Snohomish Health District. A typical stay would extend from just a few days up to two weeks (occasionally longer), depending on the circumstances. The Snohomish County Sheriff's Office will oversee 24/7 security at the facility where a total of six commissioned law enforcement officers will monitor the building's perimeter coupled with an additional four-to-seven security guards (depending on daily census) 24/7. The security firm is the same the arena normally uses, and they know the facility well.

For more information please read the [press release](#).

Snohomish County Sheriff Shares SCSO Approach To "Stay Home, Stay Healthy" Order

Snohomish County Sheriff Adam Fortney issued a statement on the "Stay Home, Stay Healthy" order that reads in part: "I want to clarify that the governor is NOT asking law enforcement to enforce a statewide stay-at-home order.... We will not actively be seeking people out that may be in violation of this directive. We will not ask for badges, identification, or a letter that certifies why you are out. We just want people to listen to the order and stay home if they don't need to be out."

“The Snohomish County Sheriff’s Office will not make any arrests or take anybody to jail for violations. We view our role more as one of education: educating people how to keep themselves safe, how to keep their families safe and most importantly, to keep the rest of the community safe, especially our elderly and other vulnerable populations.”

Do Not Call 9-1-1 with Questions About the “Stay Home, Stay Healthy” Order

Please don’t call 9-1-1 with questions or concerns about the state’s recent stay-at-home order stemming from the coronavirus outbreak. 9-1-1 should only be used in the case of an emergency to ensure that those who need immediate, life-saving help can get the attention they need without delay. If anyone has questions about the order, direct them to <https://coronavirus.wa.gov/>.

Be Honest with 9-1-1 about Coronavirus Symptoms

If you have a need to call 9-1-1 for emergency services and you are experiencing any flu-like symptoms, please notify the operator that you have or think you might have COVID-19. If possible, put on a facemask before medical help arrives. This will ensure police and fire/EMS personnel can be adequately prepared when they arrive at your home. Omitting this information can put the lives of our first responders at risk.

Washington National Guard Update

Starting today through Friday you might see Washington National Guard vehicles on the roads in Western Washington. Due to the cancellation of the National Training Center rotation for our 81st Stryker Brigade Combat Team, these vehicles are required to move from Joint Base Lewis-McChord to the unit’s home station armories in Marysville, Seattle, Kent and Montesano. These vehicles are NOT in support of a COVID-19 mission. At this time there are still no missions assigned to the Washington National Guard.

Freight Deliveries with Supplies for Grocery Stores Will Continue

Freight deliveries to grocery stores have been designated as an essential service. We still encourage residents to overcome their impulse to overstock. When people buy more than they need it means the people who need supplies most – such as health care workers and seniors – are forced to go without. Grocery shelves will remain stocked if everyone sticks to their normal buying habits and doesn’t buy more than two-weeks of supplies at a time. The Washington State Department of Health put together [great material about purchasing reasonably](#) during this time.

Support Local Restaurants Today with #TheGreatAmericanTakeout

A coalition of restaurants is urging every American to order at least one meal to go today, in support of the struggling restaurant industry. How to participate:

- Engage friends, family and colleagues to support their local restaurants by ordering takeout meals.
- Order delivery or pick-up for at least one meal.
- Post pictures on social media, using #TheGreatAmericanTakeout.

Rumor Control: Fact or Fake Resource

The Snohomish County Joint Information Center (JIC) has put together a [Fact or Fake](#) resource to address rumors in the community. Please email the JIC at eccjic.activation@snoco.org with rumor concerns. FEMA has also launched a [Coronavirus Rumor Control](#) page.

Community Help Lines Available

211 Washington.

All 2-1-1 call centers in Washington State are currently contracted with the Washington State Department of Health to help address the public's concerns regarding COVID-19. 2-1-1 is aware that individuals are facing concerns about the health, jobs, and day-to-day living. New resources that serve individuals affected by COVID-19 are developing rapidly and 2-1-1 can assist with getting callers connected to needed services. Call North Sound 2-1-1 toll free: 1-800-223-8145

Disaster Distress Helpline

Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration's (SAMHSA) Disaster Distress Helpline provides 24/7, 365-day-a-year crisis counseling and support to people experiencing emotional distress. Call: 1-800-985-5990, Text: "TalkWithUs" to 66746, or visit: <https://www.samhsa.gov/find-help/disaster-distress-helpline>

Washington State Department of Health - Coronavirus Information

The Washington State Department of Health has established a call center to address questions from the public. Call Center: 1-800-525-0127, from 6 a.m. to 10 p.m., seven days a week; or visit <https://www.doh.wa.gov/Emergencies/Coronavirus>

For the most accurate information, please refer to the following websites:

World Health Organization – <https://www.who.int/>

Center for Disease Control – <https://www.cdc.gov/>