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City Statement on Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19)

ENID, OK (March 13, 2020) -

In response to the rapidly developing coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic situation, the City wants to communicate to the public our efforts to maintain your safety and those of our employees while conducting the various municipal services for the community.

The City is carefully evaluating ways to minimize risk to the public while fully functioning. No City events are currently cancelled, but that could change as the situation continues to develop. Mayor George Pankonin stated, "The City is committed to maximize public safety while providing essential municipal services."

The City has created an informational page on its website: www.Enid.org/coronavirus.

We are asking individuals in the community that are sick or not feeling well, to conduct any necessary business with the City through the telephone, email, or online methods.

The Enid Public Transit Authority has developed an <u>Infectious Pandemic Plan</u>, following the guidelines as set forth by the Federal Transit Administration (FTA), American Public Transportation Association (APTA), Oklahoma Department of Transportation (ODOT), and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

The Enid Library is taking proactive steps to help provide a healthy and safe environment to all visitors. For more information on the library's safety measures, go to: https://enid.okpls.org/.

Internally, our cleaning crews are focused on cleaning and sanitizing surfaces touched by individuals in our buildings, such as door knobs, push bars, and countertops. We offer hand sanitizing stations and plenty of soap and water in the restrooms to clean your hands. We recommend CDC and Oklahoma State Department of Health (OSDH) guidelines be followed to prevent the transmission of germs.

Residents are encouraged to remain calm; take precaution at home, in public, and while traveling; and approach social environments with high awareness.

OSDH has provided a statewide COVID-19 Call Center: (877) 215-8336. Hours of operation are: 9AM – 7PM weekdays and 9AM – 3PM weekends.

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