

CITY COUNCIL

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CITY COUNCIL MEETING

First and Third Tuesday  
Every Month

**CITY OF SUISUN CITY**

701 Civic Center Blvd.  
Suisun City, California 94585  
Incorporated October 9, 1868

**PRESS RELEASE  
FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

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**Suisun City COVID-19 Update**

**Suisun City, CA – March 16<sup>th</sup>, 2020**

The COVID-19 pandemic continues to be a complex, fluid situation that the City of Suisun City monitors on an ongoing basis. Last week the Solano County Public Health Department issued guidance for Social Distancing and Vulnerable Populations; Travis Air Force Base implemented an enhanced Health Protection Condition; and the World Health Organization (WHO) upgraded the outbreak from a “public health emergency of international concern” to a “global pandemic;” Governor Newsom issued an Executive Order limiting non-essential gatherings to no more than 250 people and limiting gatherings of individuals who are at higher risk for severe illness from COVID-19 to no more than 10 people; President Trump declared a national emergency; and on Sunday, March 15<sup>th</sup>, Governor Newsom called for closing bars, wineries, and brewpubs, asked for everyone over 65 to stay home, and provision for the homeless.

Since testing kits have been extremely limited to date, once the testing kits are more available the number of people testing positive for COVID-19 is expected to increase dramatically. Just today, multiple Bay Area counties have issued a “shelter in place” order directing everyone to stay inside their homes and away from others for the next three weeks. Solano County is not a part of that order.

The City of Suisun City takes the health and safety of our citizens and staff very seriously and the City Manager has declared a local emergency as of Monday, March 16<sup>th</sup> in order to provide the highest level of safety to our citizens and staff. According to City Manager Greg Folsom, “I have declared a local state of emergency in order to allow the City to request funding, equipment, and supplies from both CalOES and FEMA. Further, the declaration will allow me, as Director of Emergency Services, to take extraordinary measures to ensure public safety. As such, until further notice, City Hall and other city facilities will be closed to the public effective Tuesday March 17<sup>th</sup> and citizens are encouraged to do any business with the city online or by phone.”

DEPARTMENTS: AREA CODE (707)

ADMINISTRATION 421-7300 ■ DEVELOPMENT SERVICES 421-7335 ■ BUILDING 421-7310 ■ FINANCE 421-7320  
FIRE 425-9133 ■ RECREATION & COMMUNITY SERVICES 421-7200 ■ POLICE 421-7373 ■ PUBLIC WORKS 421-7340  
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City Hall will continue to be open for City Council meetings and accessible to the public, with doors opening fifteen minutes before the start of the meeting, but the meetings will be attended by Councilmembers online and citizens are encouraged to participate online rather than in person. The logon information is available on the front of the City Council agenda and will also be available on our website at [www.suisun.com](http://www.suisun.com).

Citizens who need to pay their water bill may do so online or by dropping off payment at the drop box located near the front door at City Hall. Certain requirements for new water connections will be relaxed during this event and water shutoffs will be put on hold until further notice. Citizens who need a building permit can email permit applications to [buildingpermit@suisun.com](mailto:buildingpermit@suisun.com) or fax to 707-429-3758

The Senior Center was closed as of Monday, March 16, and the Joseph Nelson Community Center will be closed to the public starting Tuesday, March 17, 2020 and all rentals and regularly scheduled classes have been suspended until further notice. Those that are enrolled in classes will be provided a credit on their account to use on a future class. The Harbormaster's Office will also be closed starting March 17, but regular maintenance of the marina infrastructure will continue as scheduled. Clients that need to pay their berthing fees, they may do so by dropping their payment in the drop box at the Harbormasters Office, but please do not use cash for your payment. If you need to pay by credit card or speak to a marina staff member, please call (707) 421-7200.

Our public safety staff have been reviewing staffing plans and implementing guidelines to mitigate risk to both our staff and to those they encounter. At this point in time, there has not been any impact to our staffing as a result of Covid-19 and first responders will continue to assist our community with any issue or emergency that may arise.

One of the ways public safety staff plan to remain ready to provide those services is to limit the amount of contact they have with our community on a daily basis. Police and Fire Department staff are doing this to lessen the possibility of not only having staff come into contact with the virus, but to also mitigate spreading the virus to anyone they might come into contact after an exposure. Effective immediately, dispatch will be directing anyone in need of a police report to make a report by using the on-line reporting portal. Citizens can file police reports for things like fraud, harassing phone calls, identity theft, property theft and vandalism. This portal can be found by visiting <https://police.suisun.com/report-a-crime/>.

If you are having a non-emergency issue not listed, or do not have access to a computer, Suisun City Police Dispatch will have a police officer contact you to take a telephone report for crimes not needing an immediate, in person response. The non-emergency number for dispatch is (707) 421-7373.

Police Chief Aaron Roth stated, "Rest assured, if you are having an active emergency, our officers will respond to assist you in an expeditious manner. However, there will be instances where an officer will not be meeting you in person if we feel it is not necessary to the investigation at the time of the police report. We want to be sure to do our part in "flattening the curve" of this virus and mitigate the risks to those we are entrusted to serve." Fire Chief Justin Vincent added, "Please reserve 911 for true emergency calls. If you have questions regarding COVID-19 you can visit the Suisun City information page at <https://www.suisun.com/coronavirus/>, or you can visit the California Public Health web page at: <https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages/Immunization/ncov2019.aspx>."

Mayor Lori Wilson stated, "I know that the measures being put in place by local, state, and federal officials to try to slow down the spread of COVID-19 are making life difficult for many people, but I ask that the citizens of Suisun City have patience and cooperate with officials as we all work to try to put our collective health and safety at the forefront of our decision making. We will do what we can as a community to weather this season of uncertainty."

Suisun City staff will continue to monitor the situation and will update our website if there are any future changes to City Hall hours or availability. Solano County Public Health and the Center for Disease Control continue to stress that washing your hands, avoiding people who are sick, and staying home when you are sick are the most important ways to protect yourself and mitigate the spread of coronavirus and the flu.

For more information and links to additional resources, please visit our Coronavirus (COVID-19) page at: <https://www.suisun.com/coronavirus/> or access the Solano County Public Health website at: [www.solanocounty.com/publichealth](http://www.solanocounty.com/publichealth) or the Public Health Warm Line at 707-784-8988.

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