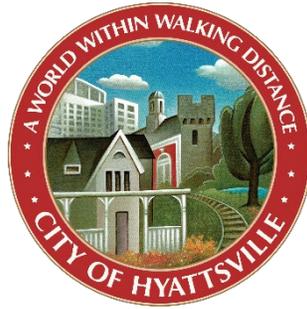


Candace B. Hollingsworth
Mayor



Tracey E. Douglas
City Administrator

March 13, 2020

Dear City of Hyattsville Residents,

We want to assure you that we are actively monitoring the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), State, and County Health department websites. In addition, we are working with our community partners and surrounding municipalities to ensure proper planning and preparation in response to the COVID-19 (coronavirus) pandemic. The health and well-being of our residents and staff is vitally important, so out of an abundance of caution, we are implementing mitigation strategies which we hope will slow the transmission of COVID-19 and minimize risk and exposure in our community.

We will be taking precautions in all our municipal facilities. This includes thorough and regular cleaning of our facilities, offices, and public spaces and we encourage you to do the same at home and in your work environment. We are also exploring alternative ways of conducting business so that we can continue supporting you, our valued residents.

Police emergency services and public works services will continue, however, public access to City facilities for non-essential services will be limited through April 4, 2020.

Effective immediately, all City events, programs, meetings, and public use of facilities are postponed or cancelled through April 4, 2020.

These actions will help us comply with CDC recommendations on social distancing, and the State of Maryland's emergency response plan. A list of postponed or cancelled activities can be found at the end of this letter. The City will continue to make determinations on future events, programs, and meetings in conjunction with recommendations from the CDC and the State of Maryland.

As we do our best to adapt to our ever-changing reality, some of the non-emergency City staff will, for the next two weeks, have alternate work schedules. While public access to the City building will be limited, your calls will be answered during duty hours. The front desk will continue to be operational and a staff member will be available to grant access to the City building in the event of an emergency or necessity. Fortunately, many of our services, such as parking citation payments, permits, applications, scheduling trash collections, and

reservations can be done via our website at www.hyattsville.org or via phone by calling 301-985-5000.

Please contact us if you have any questions, concerns, or issues. In addition, please visit the City's website at www.hyattsville.org and sign up for email and text alert messages at www.hyattsville.org/notifyme. Other ways to stay informed include following the City's social media pages on Facebook (facebook.com/cityofhyattsville), Twitter ([@hyattsvillemd](https://twitter.com/hyattsvillemd)), and Instagram ([@cityofhyattsville](https://instagram.com/cityofhyattsville)). Finally, and to ensure the most updated and accurate information, be sure to visit the CDC, State and County health department websites also listed at the end of this letter.

We will continue to monitor news and information and work hard to keep you informed and updated. It is uncertain times like these, that we must take care of ourselves and remain alert regarding the status of neighbors and friends. It is our sincere desire that we all persevere through these challenging times and continue to be an example of what a caring community truly is.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "C. Hollingsworth", with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Candace B. Hollingsworth
Mayor

Public Health Information:

- CDC: www.cdc.gov/coronavirus
- Maryland Department of Health: health.maryland.gov/coronavirus
- Prince George's County Department of Health: health.mypgc.us/coronavirus

Postponements:

- Hyattsville Census Day, April 4
- Arbor Day Celebration, April 5

Cancellations through April 4, 2020:

- Boards and Committee Meetings
- Teen Tutoring and Mentoring
- Ageless Grace Exercise Classes
- Community Yoga
- Senior Bus Trips
- Police Ride-A-Long's
- Coffee with a Cop, March 19
- Invasive Plant Removals, March 21
- Ward 1 Check-in, March 25
- Ward 2 Community Wellness Walk, March 25
- Pancake Breakfast and Easter Egg Hunt, April 4

Services Suspended or Limited until April 4, 2020:

- Notary and Fingerprint Services
- Licensing and Permitting
- Call-A-Bus for Seniors Transportation Services for essential trips only (medical & grocery store)

Continuing Services and Activities:

- City Council meetings will continue as scheduled and will remain open to the public. However, residents are encouraged to use electronic methods to submit public comment and to view the meetings on cable television or web stream. For more information on ways to participate in City Council meetings, visit www.hyattsville.org/meetings.
- Police patrols and emergency response
- Solid Waste, recycling and compost collections
- Parking enforcement