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The ongoing COVID-19 Pandemic is a serious issue affecting the lives and livelihoods of everyone across the Country. While the City of Freeport itself, as of this morning, has had no confirmed cases of anyone living within our city limits, it is likely only a matter of time, as the spread of the virus continues to escalate.

The City of Freeport is committed to the public health and welfare of its citizens and will continue to act prudently and aggressively to curb the spread of the virus locally. Over the last couple of weeks we have taken progressively greater measures as a result of the advance of the pandemic. The following is a comprehensive list of the actions taken to date as well as those newly being implemented and effective at 6:00 p.m. Thursday, March 26:

- The following venues and facilities are **closed to the public** until further notice
 - City Hall, including Municipal Court, Utility, Building, and Administrative offices
 - Golf Course, Museum, Recreation Center, Visitor Center, and Public Service Center
 - All Freeport Beaches including Bryan Beach
 - All rental venues including Riverplace, Heritage House, Velasco House and Park Pavilions
- Staff from all departments will continue to be available to provide services and answer questions over the phone and through email, Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Payments for utility bills and courts fines can be made on line or by phone or may be dropped in the night depository.
- The City will continue to accept new building permit applications by appointment only. Additionally, inspections on current projects will continue. Please call 979-871-0193 to schedule a meeting or inspection.
- All City Public meetings have been Closed to the public for in person attendance. The public is encouraged to attend digitally, and meeting agendas have been reduced to those items deemed vital and/or timely in nature.
- All public events on city property through May 1st have been suspended including but not limited to the Bunny Hop, Riverfest, Freeport Trade days and any scheduled Golf course tournaments. These events may be rescheduled for later in the year and if so further information will be provided.

Please check out the city's website www.freeport.tx.us for regular updates and sign up for Everbridge Citizen Alerts. Also Brazoria County is issuing regular updates on the ongoing situation at www.brazoriacountytx.gov

