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March 15, 2020

RE: COVID-19 Update #2 for City of Randleman

As previously released, the City of Randleman is continually monitoring the ongoing situation surrounding the COVID-19 pandemic. Our foremost priority remains the safety, wellness, and health of our community members, including our citizens, staff, and volunteers. On Saturday, March 14, 2020, North Carolina Governor Roy Cooper issued Executive Order 117 prohibiting mass gatherings for thirty (30) days and closing all public schools effective March 16, 2020 until March 30, 2020.

Randleman Community Center and Randleman Public Library Temporary Closings:

Yesterday, notice was given that certain activities with the Randleman Community Center and Randleman Public Library were suspended, cancelled or postponed effective Monday, March 16, 2020 until April 6, 2020. As of 12:00 PM, Sunday, March 15, 2020, there are no confirmed cases of COVID-19 in the City of Randleman or Randolph County. However, in a proactive effort to reduce the opportunity for community spread, the City of Randleman will be taking further precautionary measures, in addition to those already in place. These measures will allow the City to align ourselves with the collaborative efforts between the State of North Carolina, Randolph County and other Municipalities to form a united front against the potential spread of COVID-19. While these efforts may be inconvenient, they are a necessary step to minimize the opportunity for infection should the virus spread to our community. As such, effective Monday, March 16, 2020, the Randleman Community Center and Randleman Public Library will be closed to patrons until March 30, 2020. At that time, if it is deemed necessary to extend the closures, notice will be given.

Members of the Randleman Community Center will receive membership credit equivalent to the period of closure when the Community Center reopens. Randleman Public Library patrons may return items during the closure utilizing the Library's drop box. During this time, patrons may also renew their items online at www.randolphlibrary.org or call the library at (336) 498-3141 during normal business hours. We especially encourage any patron who is unable to leave their home during this time to call for an extension of their items.

Other Precautions Throughout the City:

During the next few weeks, further precautions may be implemented in other departments throughout the City. Changes in operations in preparation for the situation may be noticed. For example, our employees that have frequent face-to-face interactions with the public, such as our Firefighters and Police Officers, may take extra safeguards such as wearing masks and gloves, when in close contact with individuals. In addition, a reduction in non-essential community

outreach is currently in effect. Basic infection preventative control measures are already in place for day-to-day operations and will be amplified over the next few weeks.

If possible, citizens are encouraged to utilize other methods of handling City business other than in-person, such as by phone, email, postal mail, etc. We request that utility payments be made by utilizing our online payment system, drive-thru window, or the overnight drop box. Also, we ask that anyone who has exhibited symptoms associated with COVID-19 (cough, fever, or trouble breathing) within the last 14 days, those who have recently traveled to countries associated with the outbreak, or those who have had close contact with someone who has recently traveled and was ill, to please not enter any City facilities.

Garbage Collection:

At this time, **Garbage collection schedules will continue as normal**. If a change to the schedule were to take place, notice would be given via the City's website (www.cityofrandleman.com).

Future Updates:

During these trying times for our nation, state and local communities, the City of Randleman maintains its commitment to take proactive measures to protect our community members. The City does not take this situation lightly and believes that all current and any necessary future actions, will exemplify our commitment to our community as a whole. We are continually monitoring the ongoing situation and will continue to provide updates if further necessary changes present themselves. For future updates, please refer to our website (www.cityofrandleman.com) and the Facebook pages for the Parks and Recreation Department and the Randleman Public Library.

Additional Resources:

More information on COVID-19 can be found on the website of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC): www.cdc.gov/coronavirus

For up-to-date information within the State of North Carolina regarding the outbreak, visit the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services' website: www.ncdhhs.gov/coronavirus.

The Randolph County Public Health Department has a webpage dedicated to COVID-19 updates: http://www.randolphcountync.gov/Departments/Public-Health/COVID-19

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