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**Media Release**

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**COVID-19 UPDATE AND THE CITY OF JOLIET**

The City of Joliet acknowledges recent concerns surrounding the spread of the COVID-19 virus. The City is following the most current recommendations from the [Illinois Department of Public Health \(IDPH\)](#) and [Centers for Disease Control \(CDC\)](#) for the treatment and prevention of COVID-19 and other viral illnesses.

Residents should follow the recommendations made by the IDPH and CDC pertaining to travel, preventative care and treatment for the new coronavirus. Both sites offer straightforward instructions and updates on this rapidly evolving situation.

Everyone can take the following steps to prevent the spread of illness:

- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds or use a hand sanitizer with 60% alcohol.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth with unwashed hands.
- Stay home if you are sick except to get medical care.
- Cover coughs and sneezes with a tissue or use the inside of your elbow.
  - Dispose of used tissues in the trash.
  - Immediately wash your hands or use a sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched surfaces.
  - These can include tables, doorknobs, light switches, phones, keyboards, toilets, etc.

At this time the City of Joliet has decided to proceed with all scheduled public meetings. A calendar of all public meeting dates, times, locations and agendas can be found at [www.joliet.gov](http://www.joliet.gov). All City Council meetings are streamed live on the City's website and broadcast on WJCTV Channel 6.

If you wish to submit commentary concerning agenda items on the March 17 City Council meeting, you must do so by Monday, March 16 at 6 p.m. Any comments should be sent to [cityclerk@joliet.gov](mailto:cityclerk@joliet.gov) and will be shared with Council.

**Steve Jones  
Interim City Manager**

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**ACTUALIZACIÓN DE COVID-19 Y LA CIUDAD DE JOLET**

La ciudad de Joliet reconoce las recientes preocupaciones rodeando a la propagación del virus COVID-19. La Ciudad está siguiendo las recomendaciones más recientes del [Departamento de Salud Pública de Illinois \(IDPH\)](#) y los [Centros para el Control de Enfermedades \(CDC\)](#) para el tratamiento y prevención de COVID-19 y otras enfermedades virales.

Los residentes deben seguir las recomendaciones hechas por el IDPH y los CDC sobre viajes, cuidado preventivo y tratamiento para el nuevo coronavirus. Ambos sitios ofrecen instrucciones y actualizaciones sencillas sobre esta situación en rápida evolución.

Todos pueden seguir los siguientes pasos para prevenir la propagación de enfermedades:

- Lávese las manos con frecuencia con agua y jabón al menos 20 segundos o use un desinfectante para manos con 60% de alcohol.
- Evite tocarse los ojos, la nariz y la boca con las manos sin lavar.
- Quédese en casa si está enfermo, excepto para recibir atención médica.
- Cubra la tos y los estornudos con un pañuelo de papel o use la parte interna de su codo.
  - o Deseche los pañuelos usados en la basura.
  - o Lávese las manos inmediatamente o use un desinfectante con al menos 60% de alcohol.
- Limpie y desinfecte las superficies frecuentemente tocadas.
  - o Estos pueden incluir mesas, pomos de puertas, interruptores de luz, teléfonos, teclados, inodoros, etc.

En este momento, la Ciudad de Joliet ha decidido proceder con todas las juntas públicas programadas. Puede encontrar un calendario de todas las fechas, horarios, lugares y agendas de las juntas públicas en [www.joliet.gov](http://www.joliet.gov). Todas las reuniones del Consejo de la Ciudad se transmiten en vivo en el sitio web de la Ciudad y se transmiten por el Canal 6 de JCTV.

Si desea enviar comentarios sobre los temas de la agenda de la junta del Consejo de la Ciudad del 17 de marzo, debe hacerlo antes del lunes 16 de marzo a las 6 p.m. Cualquier comentario debe enviarse a [cityclerk@joliet.gov](mailto:cityclerk@joliet.gov) y se compartirá con el Consejo.

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