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CITY OF SELMA RESPONSE TO THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC

With the outbreak of the coronavirus (COVID-19), the City of Selma recognizes that many daily activities continue to be disrupted. Our highest priority is the safety and well-being of the citizens of Selma, City staff, and their families. At the March 16, 2020 meeting, City Council adopted a resolution proclaiming existence of a local emergency. In response to that action, this release outlines preventative measures being implemented by the City of Selma to protect the community from the spread of the COVID-19 virus.

As of Wednesday, March 18, 2020 and based upon recommendations from the CDC, which recommend social distancing of 6 feet and limiting social gatherings of no more than 50 people, the City of Selma will be taking the following preventative measures:

1. City Hall (1710 Tucker St.) and Fire Administration (1711 Tucker St.) will be closed to the public. City staff will continue to report to work and conduct regular business. Fire Marshal, Building, and Planning services will still be available. For Building and Planning services contact the Building Department at **(559) 891-2200 or (559) 891-2208**. For fire inspections or plan submittal, the Fire Marshal can be reached at **(559) 349-9118**.
2. Events on City-owned property are postponed. This includes events at Pioneer Village, Arts Center, and all City parks. While no reservations will be taken for events at our parks, they will remain open for public use; however, the City recommends that the public follow the same CDC guidelines and limit gatherings to no more than 50 people.
3. The Selma Senior Center is currently closed. This will include the Senior Lunch Program. Cold meals will still be available for pick-up. Concerned citizens, who are unable to travel, or otherwise need assistance, can contact the Senior Center at **(559) 891-2239** or City Hall at **(559) 891-2200**.

We appreciate your understanding and cooperation as we implement these preventative measures. City staff will be working with local organizations to ensure the needs of our community are being met. By following recommended guidelines, we will work together as a community to prevent the spread of COVID-19 and ensure the safety of our community.

For additional information on preventative measures, please refer to the City's website at www.cityofselma.com.

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Center for Communicable Disease & Prevention

Preventive Measures for Covid-19

- Avoid close contact with people who are sick
- Practice Social Spacing – 6ft
- Avoid touching eyes, nose, and mouth
- Stay home if feeling sick
- Wash hands frequently for at least 20 seconds with soap
- Use hand sanitizers with 60% alcohol
- Disinfect surfaces
- Cover your cough and sneezes
- Facemasks should ONLY be used by people who are sick
- Avoid large gatherings of people
 - New recommendation from the CDC is 50 people only if there is social spacing of 6ft*
- Those who are over 65 or have underlying health conditions seem to be at higher risk and should be extra cautious
 - CDC recommendation is gatherings of no more than 10 people*

Necessary Steps if You Are Sick

- Stay Home unless medical attention is necessary
 - Seek medical care if you develop shortness of breath*
- Separate yourself from others in your home
- Call ahead before going to your doctor
- Wear a facemask
- Monitor your Symptoms