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Cancellations and Closures

Good evening.

As we progress closer to normal, the pandemic reminds us we are not quite there yet. The past few weeks have been clouded with the most heartbreaking decisions that directly impacted our employees and now our customers and the overall joy that Kettering in summer brings to so many.

At this evening's City Council meeting, we discussed the health and safety of our employees and customers as they interact and gather en masse for summer activities. Due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic and the guidelines set forth by the state of Ohio, several delays, closures and cancellations were determined for the 2020 summer season to ensure the continued health and safety of the community.

**Fraze Pavilion** - All concerts and events are canceled for the 2020 summer season.

All Parks, Recreation and Cultural Arts indoor facilities remain closed until further notice. This includes the Kettering Recreation Complex (including Main Pool), Charles I. Lathrem Senior Center, Kettering Fitness and Wellness Center, Habitat Environmental Center and Rosewood Arts Centre. For ideas to stay engaged, keep moving or unwind, visit our Parks, Recreation and Cultural Arts Department at www.playkettering.org and follow our Play Kettering social media outlets.

The Adventure Reef Water Park will not open for the summer 2020 season.

The Splash Pad at J. F. Kennedy Park will not open in 2020.

All Summer Camps are canceled.

All Summer Sports Programs are canceled.

Go 4th Fireworks Independence Day Celebration is canceled.

Refunds for tickets, passes or enrollments will be processed automatically

within the next two weeks.

Now, more than ever, we need to stand together to boldly march through this. I know you are tired, and your patience is quickly dwindling. This long list of directives, extra precautions and sacrifices will lead us to the winner's circle. When we get there, we can either burn it, or hang it as a reminder of how amazingly dedicated you all have been since the middle of March.

We will keep close watch on changes in directives from the state of Ohio, CDC and Public Health – Dayton and Montgomery County. I am as eager as anyone to re-open our facilities and enjoy everything Kettering has to offer—and we have a lot! But, your safety and that of those we serve will always be the number-one priority.

Please continue to communicate with your directors and supervisors. Your feedback is important for your well being and organizational health.

Hang in there. We can do this.

Take care.

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