



March 20th, 2020

Hello. As we continue to diligently practice social distancing, the Mayor and my fellow council members will individually deliver video messages to you for the foreseeable future.

I'd like to update everyone as to the state of the Borough as of 4pm today, Friday, March 20th. We are relieved to report that Rutherford has no new COVID-19 cases. As it pertains to Borough operations, street cleaning may take place as staffing is available, however cars will not be ticketed for not adhering to alternate side rules and ordinances.

Monday's Mayor and Council meeting will still be held. Essential Borough business such as making payments to vendors for services already provided and other steps needed in order to continue services without interruption will be addressed. No new ordinances will be introduced.

If you're not already aware, FEMA and the State of NJ Department of health have established a testing site at the Paramus campus of Bergen Community College. You must meet all the following criteria in order to be tested at this site: You must be a New Jersey resident with a fever of at least 99.6 , you must also have a cough and are experiencing shortness of breath. If you have an insurance card and/or doctor's prescription you are asked to bring it with you. The results are expected within 2-5 days. Officials have indicated that those residents who are concerned but not symptomatic will be turned away at this site. Those individuals are encouraged to make every effort to see their primary care physician. This testing site will reopen tomorrow, Saturday March 21st at 8am. The first 350 qualified NJ residents will be tested tomorrow.

I'd like to thank my fellow residents for complying with all current guidelines the Borough, County and State have put in place to keep us all as safe and healthy as possible. I'd like to remind everyone to continue to support our local businesses during this time and be mindful that we're all in this together.

If you are planning on attending Monday's Mayor and Council meeting, please note that we are requiring social distancing. Attendees will be required to sit a minimum of 4 seats away from each other. Alternating rows will be left completely empty. Please be mindful of staying 6 feet away from others.

This of course is a fluid situation and the Borough is in constant communication with County and State officials. As needed, we will be updating residents by [Borough website](#), [Twitter](#), and [Facebook](#) daily.

Sincerely,
Councilman Mark Goldsack