City of Tye

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City announces proactive measures to reduce spread of Coronavirus

TYE, TX – **March 20, 2020** – The City of Tye is taking proactive measures to prevent the spread of the Coronavirus (COVID-19), including closing City Offices to the public.

The City of Tye will continue to provide all city services, however we will postpone the City Council Meeting for April. We are also actively encouraging city business be handled online or via phone where possible.

These measures are being taken out of an abundance of caution in an effort to protect the public health, particularly our most vulnerable populations, and to slow the progression of this virus, which in turn eases the burden on medical care providers. Preserving the health and safety of our staff allows essential city services to continue without interruptions. We are constantly monitoring and assessing the situation.

City staff will continue reporting to work unless an employee is sick.

While we are discouraging public gatherings when more than 10 people, we do encourage your continued support of local businesses. Remember to follow these preventative measures in your daily life:

- Wash your hands frequently
- Stay at home if you're sick
- Avoid close personal contact, such as shaking hands
- Disinfect surfaces

The City of Tye encourages water customers to pay online at **http://thepaymentgroup.com/**. Water bills may also be mailed to PO Box 369, Tye TX 79563. In addition, payments may be dropped off at City Hall in the drop box.

PERMITTING

We encourage residents and contractors to apply for building permits online at http://www.cityoftye.org/permits-and-applications. Applicants may also call 325-692-8588 for more information.

MUNICIPAL COURT

Beginning Monday, March 23, 2020, Tye's Municipal Court will be suspended until the end of April. Citations may be paid online at http://thepaymentgroup.com/.

You may contact the court at 325-692-9581

ALL OTHER CITY SERVICES

We encourage any city business that can be handled online or by the phone to be done in that manner. If you believe your request cannot be handled over the phone, please contact the appropriate department by phone to schedule a walk-in appointment.

MORE INFORMATION

To follow developments at the city, stay informed with www.cityoftye.org. For health developments, follow the Abilene Taylor County Public Health Department.

Information about what to do if you believe you may be sick is available at https://www.abilenetx.gov/covid19