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City of New Haven Response to Indiana Governor Eric Holcomb's "Stay At Home" Order & Directives

New Haven, Indiana – New Haven Mayor Steve McMichael, Clerk-Treasurer Natalie Strock and New Haven City Council would like to respond to Governor Eric Holcomb's "Stay At Home Order" effective March 24, 2020 for the next two (2) weeks.

New Haven City Council held a Special Emergency Common Council Monday afternoon to adopt procedures relating to a Public Health Emergency including, timely deposit of funds, approval of claims and the City's revised sick leave policy.

The City of New Haven will continue to follow the recommendations and guidelines from the State of Indiana Governor's Office. Latitude will be given to the Fire Chief and Police Chief to use at their discretion while maintaining staffing needs.

Mayor McMichael urges all residents to abide by the Governor's Stay at Home Executive Order. If you go out to a restaurant for carry-out or shop for essential supplies, practice social distancing and either wash your hands or use hand sanitizer. Please be aware of the onset of any COVID-19 symptoms and self-monitor by checking your temperature.

New Haven City Hall

New Haven City Hall will completely close to the public beginning at the close of business on Tuesday, March 24, 2020. All essential personnel will continue to report to work. This includes public safety (Police/Fire/EMS) along with other Department Heads, other Senior Staff and all full-time employees.

We will continue to follow guidelines and recommendations from the local health department along with state and federal experts and authorities.

We have many government services available online at www.newhaven.in.gov including utility bill payments, permitting and access to City Council and Board of Public Works meetings. We are also encouraging the public to call City Hall at (260) 748-7000 with any questions. Additionally, we are asking utility customers to make their utility payments at the drop box or make payments online. Methods of payment can be found on our website.

We appreciate the public support and patience as we navigate through this ever-changing situation. Be sure to visit the City of New Haven Facebook page and website for updated information.

Essential staff will be available by telephone and email at info@newhaven.in.gov during regular business hours from 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

The **New Haven Board of Public Works** meeting set for April 7, 2020 has been **canceled**.

The **New Haven City Council meeting and public hearing set for April 7, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. will still be held in the Council Chambers**. You are invited to the public hearing, but you are encouraged to submit your comments in advance of the public hearing to be made a part of the record and be considered by the Common Council. Written comments must include your name and address. Comments may be mailed to 815 Lincoln Highway East, New Haven, IN 46774 or comments may be emailed to nstrock@newhaven.in.gov. You can also view City Council meetings, including the public hearing, on the City's Facebook page. Comments must be received no later than April 3, 2020 at 5:00 p.m.

For further information, please contact the Mayor's Office at 748-7070.

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