Public Service Announcement
Effective March 24, 2020

City of Nome Emergency Order 2020-02 places a limit on the hours of operation for local liquor and marijuana stores during the COVID-19 pandemic. Hours of operation are Mon-Sat 11am-7pm and Sun 12pm-7pm. The order is part of a concerted effort to reduce the amount of foot traffic in stores and time spent gathering in social recreation. The reduced hours will also allow business owners additional time to clean their facilities at the end of each day.

City of Nome Emergency Order 2020-03 places a limit of two shopping trips a day to the grocery stores in Nome during the COVID-19 pandemic. This order was issued in partnership with and support of our businesses that are concerned with the high frequency of repeat customers during the COVID-19 pandemic. Local stores are reporting that individual customers are coming in throughout the day to just purchase a drink or a snack and then using the store as a social gathering place. We are requesting that customers use discretion when shopping and try to plan ahead to make a few large purchases during the week rather than many purchases of a couple items.

The City of Nome is part of a dedicated team of local businesses and organizations who are all working together during the COVID-19 pandemic. We are putting strategic measures into place to limit and contain the potential for community spread of the COVID-19 virus.

You can help your community by planning your shopping trips in advance, not lingering in stores, washing your hands, and practicing social distancing.

If you have any questions, please contact City Manager Glenn Steckman at 443-6600.

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City of Nome Emergency Order 2020-01 designates Nome Airport and City Field as Essential Air Travel Districts during the COVID-19 pandemic. This means only travelers tasked with providing critical infrastructure for Nome may fly in and out of the airports. Examples of critical infrastructure personnel include fire, ambulance, police, medical, and other workers involved with making sure Nome continues to operate in a safe and efficient manner for all of our community members.

All travelers who wish to leave or enter Nome via the airports must complete an Essential Air Travel Services Use Permit available on the City of Nome website (www.nomealaska.org). We realize medical treatments or emergencies may necessitate air travel out of Nome. If you must leave and return, you need to isolate yourself for 14 days at home to reduce the risk of infecting your fellow community members.

This order does not apply to cargo planes coming in and out of Nome. The supply chain is intact and cargo planes will continue to deliver goods to Nome as normal. This order does not apply to snowmachines who may be traveling into Nome from the villages but these travelers must also follow City of Nome emergency protocols upon entering our community.

All of us can make a difference in protecting our family, friends, and Elders from the COVID-19 virus. Please carefully consider whether air travel is worth the risk of potentially infecting yourself and those around you. Thank you for working with us to help keep our community safe and strong.

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City of Nome facilities have extended their closure to the public until April 15, 2020 due to the continued spread of the COVID-19 pandemic in Alaska and the United States. Closed facilities include the Richard Foster Building, Nome Recreation Center, Old St. Joe’s Hall, Visitor Center, and Mini Convention Center. City Hall will continue to be open to the public Mon-Fri 9am-3pm.

Bus shelters have been removed for their annual spring cleaning and restoration. Distribution of school meals via the Bus Stop Drop Off Diner will remain at these locations.

Extended closure of city facilities and distance delivery of teaching and school meals are part of a comprehensive effort to reduce the risk and spread of the COVID-19 virus in our community. You can help by limiting the amount of time spent in public buildings, not gathering in groups, and continuing to frequently wash your hands. Thank you for the precautions you are taking every day to keep our community healthy.

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