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Public Service Announcement

The City of Nome has activated its **Emergency Operations Center (EOC)** to plan and respond to the COVID-19 pandemic. The City Manager leads the EOC and directs staff from local organizations to work on specific activities of the COVID-19 emergency plan. This coordinated effort allows the EOC to make best use of the available people and resources in Nome to safeguard our community against the virus.

City of Nome facilities have extended their closure to the public until May 31, 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, Pool, Old St. Joe’s Hall, Visitor Center, and Mini Convention Center. Reopening of City of Nome facilities after May 31 will be evaluated against the overall status of the COVID-19 virus.

City Hall is currently open to the public **Mon-Fri 9am-3pm**. Please expect a forthcoming reduction of public hours at City Hall to protect staff and community members from transmission of the virus. Any change in hours will be announced.

Below are some **proactive steps** you can take every day to protect yourself, family, and community from getting and spreading the COVID-19 virus:

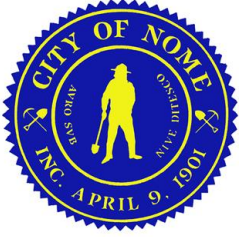
1. Wash your hands frequently. Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth.
2. Plan ahead when going to the grocery store and limit your visits to twice a day. Designate one member of your family as the shopper.
3. Do not meet in groups or visit other people’s homes. Instead, give your friends and family members a telephone call, send a text message, or chat with them online.
4. Stay home if you feel sick and keep away from the rest of the family. If you are coughing and sneezing, wipe down surfaces frequently, especially in the restroom and kitchen.

Take a deep breath and step away from the crisis. Hide the phone and computer from yourself for a while. Step outside for some fresh air, turn on some music, or read a book. Nome is home for all of us. We are getting through this together.

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

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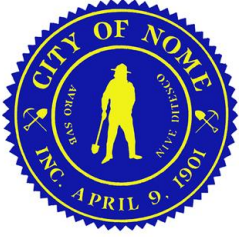
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Bus shelters have been removed for their annual spring cleaning and restoration. Distribution of school meals via the Bus Stop Drop Off Diner will remain at these locations.

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.

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

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Effective March 26, 2020

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.

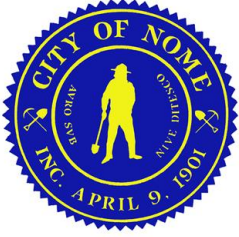
All travelers who wish to leave or enter Nome via the airports must complete an Essential Air Travel Services Use Permit available on the City of Nome website (www.nomealaska.org). We realize medical treatments or emergencies may necessitate air travel out of Nome. If you must leave and return, you need 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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Release Date: March 25, 2020



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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.

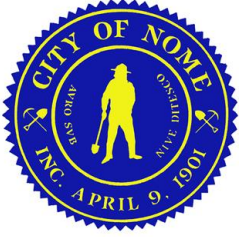
City of Nome Emergency Order 2020-03 places a limit of two shopping trips a day to the grocery stores in Nome during the COVID-19 pandemic. This order was issued in partnership with and support of our businesses that are concerned with the high frequency of repeat customers during the COVID-19 pandemic. 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.

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The City of Nome places the health and safety of all our community members at the forefront of our coordinated response to the COVID-19 pandemic. City of Nome administration and personnel have partnered with local and state-wide agencies to discuss the developing situation, listen to the many voices in the community, and begin to put into place strategic measures to prepare and respond to the crisis.

City of Nome Emergency Ordinance 0-20-7 includes proactive measures, such as limiting public access to and use of city facilities, restaurants, and bars, to reduce the possibility of infection and community spread of the virus. The ordinance does not mean City administration will redistribute personal supplies of food, water, or clothing. Instead, the City will work with local businesses to make sure that community members are able to purchase or otherwise obtain the food and household items that they need.

The wellbeing of our Elders and residents in surrounding communities is of tremendous importance. We are working with our partners to put into place a plan of action that will help limit and respond to the spread of the COVID-19 virus in the Bering Strait region.

You can help us by continuing to wash your hands, practice social distancing, and isolate yourself if you are feeling unwell. The community of Nome is strong. We are all in this together and we will get through it together.

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Release Date: March 20, 2020