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Date: November 12, 2020 Press Release 034: City of Craig Facility Closures and Limitations Based on Governor's Recommendations For Information: Brian Templin, 907-826-3275, planner@craigak.com

On November 12, 2020 Alaska Governor Mike Dunleavey issued a statement mandating actions by state offices and employees and recommending additional COVID-19 mitigation measures by businesses, organizations and municipalities around the State of Alaska.

Governor Dunleavy is taking the following executive actions:

- On Monday, November 16 at 12:01 a.m. his new 30-day COVID-19 disaster declaration takes effect.
- Effective immediately all State employees are to work from home whenever feasible.
- Face masks and social distancing are now mandatory at State work sites for both employees and visitors.

Governor Dunleavy and Alaska's public health officials are now asking all businesses, organizations, and local governments to take the following actions through the end this month:

- Businesses, organizations, and local governments that can operate remotely are urged to send their employees home as soon as possible.
- Businesses and organizations that can offer food and supplies online with curbside pickup are urged to do so.

Distance remains the primary tool in slowing the spread of COVID-19. In order to keep hospitals, health care facilities, and businesses operating, all Alaskans are urged to:

- Maintain a distance of six feet apart from all non-household members.
- If a distance of six feet apart is not possible, wear a mask or face covering.

In response the Governor's recommendations, the City of Craig is taking the following actions regarding city facilities:

- City facilities will generally be closed to in-person services starting at 12:01 am on Friday, November 13th until 5:00 pm on Friday, December 4th. Most facilities will be staffed and staff will be available by phone or for limited in-person appointments only.
 - Craig City Hall will be closed to the public. Call 826-3275 for assistance or to make an appointment.

- Craig Harbormaster's Office will be closed to the public. Call 826-3404 for assistance or to make an appointment.
- Craig Public Works and Parks and Facilities offices will be closed to the public. Call 826-3405 or 826-3408 for assistance.
- Craig Aquatic Center and Fitness Room will be closed to the public. Call 826-2794 for assistance.
- Craig Gym and Recreation Center will be closed to the public. Call 826-2575 for assistance.
- Craig Library will be closed to in-person services. The library will still provide curbside pickup and online services. Call 826-3281 for assistance.
- DMV will be available BY APPOINTMENT ONLY on Wednesdays and Fridays from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. You may still drop off DMV items at the dispatch counter. Call 826-3330 for more information or assistance.
- Craig EMS office will be closed to the public. Contact 826-4857 for assistance OR dial 911 if it is an emergency.
- Face masks MUST be worn at all times while in any city facility or when meeting with city staff.
- Social distancing a minimum of 6' should be maintained when in any city facility or when meeting with city staff (when possible)

These policies will be in effect from November 13th through December 4th unless modified by the Craig City Council. The council will discuss these closures at the November 19, 2020 council meeting and may amend the restrictions or the effective dates.

In addition to these measures, please review the Governor's recommendations for businesses and other organizations. Along with these measures it is critical that everyone does their part to reduce the spread of COVID-19 by frequently washing your hands/using hand sanitizer, wearing a mask or cloth face covering when in public, limiting interaction between members of households, maintaining good social distances with people from other households, and staying home from work or school if you are experiencing any symptoms or have been exposed to someone who has tested positive for COVID-19. If you are travelling, especially over the holidays, please take additional safety measures and consider limiting your exposure to other people for 7 - 14 days after you return from your travels.

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Craig EMS	826-4857	ems@craigak.com
Craig Harbormaster	826-3404	harbors@craigak.com
Craig Police	826-3330	<u>re44@craigpd.com</u>
Craig Public Facilities	826-3408	facilities@craigak.com
Craig Public Library	826-3281	<u>library@craigak.com</u>
Craig Public Works	826-3405	publicworks@craigak.com
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