



City of Somers Point

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PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT

March 17, 2020

John L. Glasser, Jr.

MAYOR

The health, safety, and welfare of our residents and City employees is of the utmost importance to us. Therefore, per the State of New Jersey Executive Order No. 103, in attempt to contain COVID19/Coronavirus throughout the State and protect our employees and residents, effective Wednesday 3/18/20, all City public buildings are hereby closed to the general public until further notice.

The City has put plans in place to serve the residents of Somers Point during the closure. All City Offices will continue to be fully staffed and operating from 9am-5pm. The Department of Public Works will continue to operate from 7am-2:30pm. The goal is to reduce human contact while continuing to provide essential services to our residents.

The following actions will take place immediately:

- City Hall will close to the public effective close of business today 3/17/20. You can access municipal services at City Hall by walking up the ramp and entering the vestibule on the First Street side of the building. In that area, there will be Drop Boxes and contact information for all the municipal services. If you use the Drop Box, please make sure you: 1. Pay with **checks only**; 2. Put in a sealed envelope clearly marked for what department you are paying; 3. If you need a receipt, please provide a self-addressed, stamped envelope. **PLEASE NOTE:** Tax and Sewer Collections will continue to be accepted via mail, our website at www.somerspointgov.org or in the payment Drop Box located in the City Hall vestibule. If you have any questions, please feel free to call our 9am-5pm "manned" general access phone number at 609-927-9088.
- All organized sport programs in the City will be suspended until further notice.
- All events at the Senior Citizens' Center on Ambler Road have been cancelled.
- The City Council Meeting for Thursday, March 26, 2020, has been cancelled.
- All Board/Commission Meetings for the City have been cancelled until further notice.
- The Police Department has modified their protocol for responding to non-emergency calls.
- The Somers Point Schools will be closed for a minimum of two weeks.
- Bayfest is cancelled.

We are in constant communication with Shore Medical Center and the City will continue to monitor the situation and provide updates as necessary. We encourage you to heed the recommendations and guidelines of the Federal, State and Local Governments that will protect our Community.

Please check our City web site: somerspointgov.org for updated information. Other resources are: The Center for Disease Control: 800-232-4636 and the Governor's Coronavirus Hotline: 800-222-1222 We thank you for your understanding and patience during this unprecedented situation.

Sincerely,

John L. Glasser, Jr., Mayor

Sean T. McGuigan, City Council President