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This is a summary of the City of Santa Clara’s latest response efforts along with impacts to local events and City programs/services due to the coronavirus (COVID-19) public health emergency.

Current Developments

- Per the County of Santa Clara’s May 4 Shelter-in-Place order, here’s a reminder that the public is required to wear face coverings when at a business, even if it’s an outdoor business.
  - The City continues to encourage the public to “stay covered” and wear a face covering whenever you leave your home.
    - Share your selfie with us on social media and use the hashtag #SantaClaraHasItCovered to help encourage the community to wear face coverings while doing essential activities.
    - For more details about wearing face coverings, including how to make one from a t-shirt, visit SantaClaraCA.gov/FaceCoverings.

- The National Center for Biotechnology Information has tips on how to prevent eyeglasses from misting up when wearing a face covering.
  - Immediately before wearing a face covering, the wearer can wash the eyeglasses with soapy water and shake off the excess.
  - Then, let the spectacles air dry or gently dry off the lenses with a soft tissue before putting them back on.
  - This should reduce the misting on lenses when the face covering is worn.
The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has released an online tool to help make it easier for consumers to find safe and effective disinfectant products.

- Online visitors can search the EPA’s list of products for use against SARS-CoV-2, the virus that causes COVID-19.
- All products on this list meet EPA’s criteria.
- These products are for use on surfaces, not humans.

Meetings

The City Council is continuing the Tuesday, May 12 Joint Council and Authorities Concurrent & Santa Clara Stadium Authority meeting to Thursday, May 14. The meeting will get underway at 2 p.m. View the agenda.

- Pursuant to the provisions of California Governor’s Executive Order N-29-20, issued on March 17, 2020, to prevent the spread of COVID-19, the City of Santa Clara has implemented methods for the public to participate remotely:
  - Via Zoom:
    - Meeting ID: 997-0675-9306
    - Joining via computer, visit https://zoom.us/join
      - To address the Council on an agenda item, click “raise hand.”
    - Joining via phone: 1-669-900-6833
      - To address the Council on an agenda item, hit *9 on the phone.
  - Via the City’s eComment (available during the meeting)
  - Via email to PublicComment@santaclaraca.gov
- For individuals who do not have the above access, the City Cafeteria has been set up to accommodate up to 10 people at a time and public comment will be given from that location.
- With the heightened “Stay at Home” order by the State and the continued order by the County, the Mayor will be present for the meeting with Councilmembers and department heads participating remotely. A limited number of staff will also be present. The meeting set-up is in line with the recommendations of the COVID-19 White House Task Force, which notes no more than 10 people gatherings.
- As usual, the public can view the meetings on SantaClaraCA.gov, Santa Clara City Television (Comcast cable channel 15 or AT&T U-verse channel 99), or the livestream on the City’s YouTube channel or Facebook page.

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