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PRESS RELEASE

March 17, 2020

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

In response to the Governor's directives, Upper Moreland Township will begin mitigation practices to help slow and prevent the spread of the coronavirus/COVID-19. To assist with the Township's response and in accord with the Township's Emergency Plan, the Board of Commissioners has declared a Disaster effective immediately.

All Township facilities will be temporarily closed to the public effective immediately and all Township meetings have been canceled through the end of March. The Township will continue to provide essential services, such as Police, Fire, and Trash Collection, and beginning today, Tuesday, March 17, 2020, all other and non-essential services such as tax collection, financial services and permitting will be open for business, but residents will be directed to online and telephone services. All in-person "over the counter" Township services will, subject to evolving conditions with COVID-19, resume Tuesday, March 31, 2020. Please be aware that this timeline is based on the Governor's current directive and is subject to change.

All updates will be posted on the Township's website (www.uppermoreland.org), the Government Access Channel (Comcast Channel 965 and Verizon Channel 41). A breakdown of Department services can be found below:

Code Enforcement

- All new zoning, building, or other applications will be processed via mail, or through the drop box at the rear entrance of the Township building.
- Inspections will still be taking place on a limited basis.
- The public will still be able to interact with Township personnel via phone and email. Residents are encouraged to call Code Enforcement at (267) 607-1032/1034/1035 to discuss their applications. Please call ahead.

Finance Department

The Finance Department will be available by phone at (267) 607-1075/1052/1048 through March 30, 2020. In-person services will resume March 31, 2020.

Business Tax Office:

The Business Tax Office will be available by phone at (267) 607-1045/1044 through March 30, 2020. In-person services will resume March 31, 2020

Fire Services

Fire Services will continue. Fire Services personnel can be reached at Non-Emergency- (215) 659-7633. In the event of an emergency, please call 9-1-1.

Township Front Desk

The Front Desk at the Township Building is closed to the public. Please call (215) 659-3100 to reach the receptionist.

Parks and Recreation

- Parks and Recreation has canceled all programs through April 13, 2020. No organized activities are permitted at any Township facility. Large group gatherings within the Township are strongly discouraged.
- The Parks & Recreation window at the Township Building is closed to the public. P&R personnel will be available to answer all questions via phone at (267) 607-1041/1040/1039.
- Township Parks: Although some parks will be open, all restroom and building facilities will be closed. Please practice social distancing and be aware that recreation equipment will not be cleaned. Visitors to Township parks assume all responsibility for risks and hazards. Residents are asked to continue to abide by facility rules and regulations.

Police Department

- The Police Department will be open and providing services as usual. Police services personnel can be reached at (215) 657-4700. In the event of an emergency, please call 9-1-1.
- The Police Department will be issuing response and safety announcements directly to the public during this emergency.

Public Works

- Refuse collection, street maintenance, and traffic signal operations will continue as usual.
- For service needs related to Public Works, please call (215) 659-4070.

Real Estate Tax Office

- The Tax Office will be available by phone at (267) 607-1046/1047 through March 30, 2020. In-person services will resume March 31, 2020. Tax payments should be mailed in to Upper Moreland Real Estate Tax Office, 117 Park Avenue, Willow Grove, PA 19090.

Upper Moreland Library

- The Upper Moreland Library is closed to the public until further notice.