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TOWN OF PARADISE VALLEY COVID-19 RESPONSE

PARADISE VALLEY, AZ, March 17, 2020. In order to ensure the health and welfare of our citizens and our employees, the Town of Paradise Valley is curtailing *in-person services* in accordance with State, Federal and local recommendations regarding COVID-19 effective Tuesday, March 17, 2020.

The Town Hall and Public Works buildings will be closed to the public. The Town's intention is to continue to provide as many services as possible while having our employees work remotely or with limited exposure to the public and each other. We will be answering phone lines and emails, and we are ramping up our ability to provide certain services electronically.

The Police Department will remain fully operational. For in-progress crimes, call 9-1-1, as you normally would. For crimes not in progress, please call the non-emergency line 480-948-7410. COVID-19 specific best practices have been instituted for emergency calls and civilian foot traffic in the Police Department building will be limited to the lobby area. Those employees who can work remotely will do so beginning March 17th.

Public meetings such as Town Council or Planning Commission will be held remotely. We will post agendas and instructions for public participation on the website per the Open Meeting Law. The Community Room and the Police Auditorium will be closed for public use until further notice.

The Municipal Court will remain open with limited in-person appearances. 30- or 45-day continuances or a telephonic appearance option for all Court matters are being offered. Requests can be emailed to courtmail@paradisevalleyaz.gov or faxed to 480-404-7025.

The Post Office located at Town Hall will remain open between 8:00 am and 4:00 pm per our contract with the USPS until we are given different guidance by the U.S Postal Service.

The Mayor and Town Council, the Town Manager and key personnel are continuously monitoring Federal, State and local COVID-19 recommendations and requirements in order to adjust the Town's response as needed. Updates will be posted on the Town's website: www.paradisevalleyaz.gov, or you can contact 480-948-7411 or town-info@paradisevalleyaz.gov for more information.

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