

## **COVID-19 Update from the City of Grosse Pointe Farms**

### **March 13, 2020**

In an effort to slow the spread of the Coronavirus (COVID-19), the City of Grosse Pointe Farms is taking proactive measures and necessary precautions to protect our residents and staff. Following the directives and recommendations of federal, state and county agencies, the City will be modifying or suspending certain non-emergency operations. Protecting the health, safety and welfare of the community as a whole is our paramount concern.

Critical services such as Police, Fire, Emergency Dispatch, water service, garbage and recycling collection will not be impacted.

Some City functions, however, will be modified in the wake of rapidly changing developments with the spread of the coronavirus.

Effective immediately and continuing through April 6, 2020 or until further notice:

- City Hall and other City buildings, including the Municipal Court, will be closed to public visitors. City business can continue to be conducted via U.S. mail, the white Drop-Box outside City Hall, e-mail, telephone or online payment at [www.Grossepointefarms.org](http://www.Grossepointefarms.org). If you have other questions please call 313-885-6600 during business hours or e-mail the City departments instead of entering City Hall. Visit the City website at: [www.grossepointefarms.org](http://www.grossepointefarms.org) for additional contact phone numbers and e-mail addresses.
- Grosse Pointe Farms Municipal Court has postponed their remaining March court dates until April, unless individuals are otherwise notified by the Court. Proper notice will be given to interested parties of the rescheduled dates.
- All Parks and Recreation events, programs, classes, and walk-in building use at Pier Park will be cancelled. The outdoor facilities at Kerby Field and Pier Park will continue to be available for resident use, however, no restroom facilities will be open.
- Room rentals at City facilities, including Pier Park Community Building will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis. If you have a rental scheduled, City staff will be contacting you to ensure the event meets the Governor's emergency guidelines. No new facility rentals will be scheduled for event dates through April 6<sup>th</sup>.
- The Recreation Department will be reaching out to program participants with information on postponements, cancellations, and refunds. Your patience with this process is greatly appreciated, as it may take several days for all parties to be reached.
- The Daddy-Daughter Dance scheduled for Saturday, March 21<sup>st</sup> has been postponed.
- No additional 2020 Park Passes will be available for pickup at this time. 2019 Park Passes will continued to be honored until further notice.

- Residents are encouraged to use online services to pay tax and water bills, to register for programming, and to pay fees for dog licenses.

Please be aware that all necessary precautions are being undertaken to clean and sanitize City buildings. The City is taking extra measures to disinfect surfaces at all City facilities using an EPA-approved disinfectant. Special attention is being paid to public areas including counters, bathroom surfaces, light switches, door knobs, and door handles. City employees are being instructed to decrease the community spread of COVID-19 by cleaning and disinfecting their work areas and maintaining appropriate social distancing.

Information about the Coronavirus is changing rapidly and we recommend that you stay informed by visiting the City website at [www.grossepointefarms.org](http://www.grossepointefarms.org), the City Facebook page, and by subscribing to Nixle alerts at [www.nixle.com](http://www.nixle.com).

Information is also available from the Michigan Department of Health & Human Services at [www.michigan.gov/coronavirus](http://www.michigan.gov/coronavirus) or the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's Coronavirus Disease 2019 webpage [www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/about/index.html](http://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/about/index.html)

Please be sure to do your part to help prevent the spread of the virus by being vigilant about personal hygiene and by practicing social distancing. Stay home if you are sick, wash your hands often with soap and water for 20 seconds, cover your nose and mouth with a tissue when you cough or sneeze, and avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth.

Thank you for being a valuable partner in the City's efforts to combat the spread of coronavirus. We appreciate your patience while we adjust to the changes brought about by the current public health situation.

We care about the health of your family, your neighbors and all our community!

**Please use these alternate methods for non-emergency services:**



**BY DROP BOX**

**Please use the white drop box located behind City Hall for:**

Payments of all types

Permit applications

Dog License Registration

Delivery of any other documents for the City Clerk, Court Office,  
Public Services, Treasury, Utility Billing or Finance



**BY MAIL**

City of Grosse Pointe Farms  
90 Kerby Road  
Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236



**ONLINE**

Visit the City website at: [www.grossepointefarms.org](http://www.grossepointefarms.org)

**At the top of the home page click on:**

**“Online Services & Forms”** - to make electronic payments or access forms and other information.

**“City Contacts”** – for e-mail addresses and phone numbers of City Departments

Visit the Recreation website at: [www.parks.grossepointefarms.org](http://www.parks.grossepointefarms.org)

To apply for park passes and register for classes

*(Please note: park passes will not be available for pick up at this time, 2019 passes will continue time be honored until further notice)*



**BY PHONE**

City Hall	885-6600	Water Billing	640-1615
Public Safety	885-2100	Assessing	640-1618
Municipal Court	885-2104	Elections	640-1605
Parks & Rec	343-2405	Water Plant	343-2328
Public Service	885-4285	DPW	343-2343