



## NEWS RELEASE

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### **-City of Osage Beach-**

Osage Beach, MO – The City of Osage Beach continues to monitor the current situation as things change very rapidly since the declaration of the COVID-19 pandemic. The health and safety of our community, visitors, and employees is a priority for the City of Osage Beach. We are making it a priority to deliver city services without interruptions and to prevent the spread of the virus among employees and their families. We continue to ask our community, visitors, and employees to be diligent and take precautions as recommended or instructed to do.

The Camden County Health Department, under the authority of Missouri Code of State Regulations 19 CSR 20-20.040 has ordered and declared “It is...unlawful for any person to organize or to attend an intentional gathering of 50 people or more in a single space or room...any person who organizes a gathering of 49 people or less shall take appropriate action...by implementing and enforcing mitigation measures...” And further recommended to follow the President’s *15 Days to Slow the Spread Campaign*. [The Camden County Health Department Order](#) was issued on March 18, 2020.

In response to recommendations from Federal and State authorities to maximize the prevention of the illness by minimizing contact among the public and city staff, our lobbies are closed to the public, which includes City Hall and Public Works facilities, until further notice. City staff will not be traveling during this time and schedule changes are in place to protect our employees but maintain our infrastructure and deliver city services. Please utilize the following as needed;

- Use the Drop Box located in front of City Hall to deliver payments or other necessary documents to City offices,
- Download Applications or other items at <https://www.osagebeach-mo.gov/71/Document-Center>, for example, Public Records Request Form, Business License, etc.
- Park reservations and information <https://www.osagebeach-mo.gov/2076/Make-a-Reservation>
- Pay Online at <https://www.municipalonlinepayments.com/osagebeachmo>
- Automated Payment Hotline – 1.833.227.1755
- Call or email staff with questions, inquiries, or concerns. Staff Contact List is available at <https://www.osagebeach-mo.gov/directory.aspx>.

For emergencies, call 911. The Police Department can be contacted for non-emergencies at 573.302.2010. For after-hours water or sewer emergencies contact 573.302.2010. A complete list of City office contacts and departmental information is available at [www.osagebeach.org](http://www.osagebeach.org). A few contacts include;

City Administrator –	573.302.2000 ext. 1010
City Clerk –	573.302.2000 ext. 1022
Police – non-emergency –	573.302.2010
Police Records -	573.302.2010 ext. 1113
Public Works –	573.302.2020
Building Department –	573.302.2000 ext. 1063
Parks Department -	573.302.2000 ext. 3000

Additionally, the city has suspended in-person meetings at city facilities, including Planning and Zoning Meetings, Board of Zoning Adjustment, and Liquor Control Board. City events have been postponed until further notice, this includes the Easter Egg Hunt, sports league practices and games. Due to recent mandates, court proceedings have been suspended until April 9, 2020, and municipal elections are postponed until June 2, 2020. In addition, credit/debit card fees that are currently being charged by the City to pay certain city fees online will be waived and water and sewer service disconnects are suspended until further notice.

Staff is currently working out the details to implement online Board of Aldermen meetings via video transmission. Details will be disbursed to the community once that is finalized.

We appreciate your patience as we manage this situation. Please visit [www.osagebeach.org](http://www.osagebeach.org) and follow us on Facebook for the most current information and updates.

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