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City of Cleveland Provides General Updates on Coronavirus & Safety - **Update #192**

CLEVELAND – The City of Cleveland continues to take numerous precautions across multiple departments and divisions amid increasing cases of coronavirus (COVID-19). Below are some important updates. Mayor Frank G. Jackson signed an order on Sept. 29 extending the City's Proclamation of Civil Emergency through Oct. 31, 2020. As a reminder, Mayor Jackson's order was amended to state that the city will not issue permits for block parties/tailgating and tailgating on city property is prohibited. [Click here to view the order.](#)

Essential services such as Police, Fire, EMS, waste collection and Utilities will remain operational.

12 New Confirmed Coronavirus Cases Reported in Cleveland

The Cleveland Department of Public Health (CDPH) has been notified of 12 more confirmed cases of coronavirus in city residents. This brings the total to 5,489 confirmed cases in the City of Cleveland and 148 fatalities. The new confirmed cases include males and females whose ages range from under 20 years old to their 60s. CDPH is working to identify their close contacts who would require testing or monitoring for COVID-19 symptoms. One case was transferred from CDPH as the person was determined not to be a Cleveland resident.

As of today, there are 145,191 confirmed cases and 4,501 fatalities in the State of Ohio. There are more than 7.21 million confirmed cases and 206,615 deaths in the U.S.

Reminder: The City of Cleveland will disseminate Saturday and Sunday COVID-19 numbers on its Facebook and Twitter pages when they become available.

The City of Cleveland COVID-19 Dashboard displays the most recent preliminary data from the Ohio Department of Health about COVID-19 cases, hospitalizations, deaths and recoveries in Cleveland by selected demographics. [View the dashboard here.](#) For individuals' privacy, CDPH will not be releasing any additional demographic info related to COVID-19 cases aside from age range and gender.

City of Cleveland Holds Post-Presidential Debate Press Conference

Mayor Frank G. Jackson today held a post-debate press conference via the [City of Cleveland Facebook page](#). He was joined by Public Safety Director Karrie D. Howard and Chief of Police Calvin D. Williams. [View the press conference here.](#)

The City of Cleveland would like to thank the Cleveland Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Ohio National Guard and the Ohio State Highway Patrol for their steadfast support during this event. In addition, the City thanks the Cleveland Clinic Police Department, the University Circle Police Department as well as the members of the Westside Enforcement Bureau, the Southside Enforcement Bureau and the E.D.G.E. Team.

The event detail concluded with no major incidents as demonstrations remained mostly lawful and peaceful. The City of Cleveland thanks those who exercised their First Amendment right to free speech for doing so peacefully and lawfully. No permits were issued by the City of Cleveland due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Cleveland Police arrested four individuals: a 57-year-old man was arrested for Driving Under Suspension, a 22-year-old man was arrested for Failure to Comply with a Lawful Order, a 21-year-old man was arrested for Trespassing and an 18-year-old woman was arrested for Disrupting Public Service, Assault on a Police Officer and Petty Theft. Additional info will be posted to GovQA.

City of Cleveland Announces Halloween Plans

The City of Cleveland strongly encourages residents not to participate in trick-or-treating this year as a result of the coronavirus pandemic. However, if residents choose to trick-or-treat or pass out candy, the permitted hours in the City of Cleveland are from 6-8 p.m. They are asked to adhere to the regulations outlined in the [Ohio Department of Health's "Celebrating Halloween" guidelines](#) which include the following:

- Always wear a face covering and stay 6 feet away from people who are not from your household, whether trick-or-treating, passing out treats or attending attractions or events.
- A costume mask is not a substitute for a cloth mask. A costume mask should not be used unless it is made of two or more layers of breathable fabric that covers the mouth and nose and doesn't leave gaps around the face.
- Do not wear a costume mask over a protective cloth mask because it can be dangerous if the costume mask makes it hard to breathe. Instead, consider using a Halloween-themed cloth mask.
- If you may have COVID-19 or may have been exposed to someone with COVID-19, you should not participate in in-person Halloween festivities and should not give out candy to trick-or-treaters.
- Carry hand sanitizer and use it often, especially after coming into contact with frequently touched surfaces and before eating candy.
- If taking your children trick-or-treating, limit the number of houses you visit and ask your children to stay as far from treat-givers as possible. For small children, consider holding the bag for them.
- Wipe off candy wrappers with sanitizing wipes when you arrive home. (NOTE: Never wipe unpackaged food with wipes.)

In an effort to provide children in Cleveland's neighborhoods with an alternative to traditional trick-or-treating, the City will be offering grab-and-go candy bags. This is in lieu of our annual Big City Boo event, which we must regretfully cancel this year. Participants seeking candy bags will be required to wear masks, maintain six feet of social distancing and follow posted guidelines and directional signage.

The candy bags will be at the 18 open City of Cleveland Neighborhood Resource and Recreation Centers (NRRCs) on October 30 from 6-7 p.m. [All of the NRRCs](#) will supply candy bags with the exception of the following: Halloran, Sterling, Hamilton, Kovacic and Camp Forbes.

East 130th Street Roadway Resurfacing Project Traffic Advisory for Ward 4

During the week of October 5, 2020, weather permitting, the City will begin asphalt resurfacing East 130th Street from Union Avenue to Buckeye Road. The street will be closed to northbound traffic while one lane of southbound traffic will be maintained. No on-street parking will be permitted for the duration of the project. A signed detour route will be provided for northbound traffic.

The detour route will be as follows:

- West on Union Avenue to East 116th Street;
- Then north on East 116th Street to Buckeye Road;
- Then east on Buckeye Road back to East 130th Street

The project includes milling the existing asphalt pavement, adjusting existing utility castings, full depth pavement repairs, partial depth pavement repairs, placement of compliant ADA ramps, placing new asphalt and new pavement markings. The work will take place during the hours of 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. The asphalt resurfacing project is expected to be completed by the end of November 2020.

Questions? Contact City of Cleveland's Construction Inspector James Miller at (216) 857-1635.

***Editor's Note:** Road construction invariably presents hazards to the public. All travelers are urged to use caution in construction zones. Public safety and the safety of workers is a top priority.*

Wildlife Way Roadway Resurfacing Project Traffic Advisory for Ward 13

During the week of October 5, 2020, weather permitting, the City will begin asphalt resurfacing on Wildlife Way from Fulton Parkway to Pearl Road. The street will be closed to westbound traffic while one lane of eastbound traffic will be maintained. No on-street parking will be permitted for the duration of the project. A signed detour route will be provided for northbound traffic.

The detour route will be as follows:

- Pearl Road southbound to Memphis Avenue;
- Then west on Memphis Avenue to Fulton Parkway;
- Then north on Fulton Parkway back to Wildlife Way.

The project includes milling the existing asphalt pavement, adjusting existing utility castings, full depth pavement repairs, partial depth pavement repairs, placement of compliant ADA ramps, placing new asphalt and new pavement markings. The work will take place during the hours of 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Friday. The asphalt resurfacing project is expected to be completed by the end of November 2020.

Question? Contact the City of Cleveland's Construction Inspector, Eric Faehner at (216) 857-3028.

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Lakeside Avenue Roadway Resurfacing Project Traffic Advisory for Wards 3 & 7

During the week of October 5, 2020, weather permitting, the City will begin asphalt resurfacing on Lakeside Avenue from East 26th Street to East 40th Street. Traffic will be maintained in each direction while a portion of the street will be closed to perform the work. No on-street parking will be permitted for the duration of the project.

The project includes milling the existing asphalt pavement, adjusting existing utility castings, full depth pavement repairs, partial depth pavement repairs, placement of compliant ADA ramps, placing new asphalt and new pavement markings. The work will take place during the hours of 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. The asphalt resurfacing project is expected to complete by the end of November 2020.

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Department of Public Utilities Customer Reconnection Updates

While business is operating as normal, the Public Utilities Building is closed to the public. Cleveland Water and Cleveland Public Power have temporarily stopped disconnection of residential services for non-payment. Cleveland Water customers should call (216) 664-3130 and Cleveland Public Power customers should call (216) 664-4600 for service restoration.

Cleveland Water Pollution Control (WPC) Customer Service lobby remains open to the public to purchase permits and review maps. The WPC office at 12302 Kirby Ave. is open 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Monday through Friday. Report emergencies 24/7 by calling (216) 664-2513. To date:

- CPP has reconnected 136 total customers
- CWD has reconnected 2,162 total customers

Cleveland Water customers can make payments and manage their account at myclevelandwater.com or by calling (216) 664-3130. Questions can be submitted via the inquiry form at clevelandwater.com/ask-a-question. CPP customers can make payments and manage their account at cpp.org. Inquiries and questions can be submitted via www.cpp.org/Contact

Cleveland Water and CPP customers may also use the dropbox located at 1201 Lakeside Ave. Please include name and account number along with payment. Multiple accounts must be on separate checks.

Other Important Reminders

Save the Date for Mayor Jackson's Virtual State of the City Address

Please save the date for Mayor Frank G. Jackson's 2020 State of the City on Oct. 8. In adherence to safe social distancing guidelines, the event will be held virtually via social media and phone call. The Mayor is expected to touch on an array of topics ranging from the effects of the pandemic to public safety to various City projects and initiatives as well as his vision to continue to move Cleveland forward. Visit www.clevelandohio.gov/stateofthecity for more info or to register to participate by phone.

City of Cleveland to Host 2020 Sustainability Summit

Sustainable Cleveland has announced [Dr. Julian Agyeman](#), Professor of Urban and Environmental Policy and Planning at Tufts University, as its [2020 Virtual Summit](#) keynote speaker. He is the originator of the increasingly influential concept of just sustainabilities, the intentional integration of social justice and environmental sustainability.

Register to attend the virtual Sustainable Cleveland Summit, to be held October 14-15, at bit.ly/SC_Summit2020.

Calls Regarding COVID-19 Complaints

With the passage by Cleveland City Council of an ordinance authorizing penalties for non-compliance with Mayor Jackson's mask mandate, enforcement is now in effect.

There are two numbers Clevelanders should call regarding non-compliance:

- **Business complaints:** CDPH hotline at (216) 857-7165
- **Individual or private residence complaints:** Cleveland Police non-emergency line at (216) 621-1234

Cleveland City Council recently approved the mandatory use of masks in public spaces as well as certain penalties for individuals and businesses that do not comply. On July 3, Mayor Jackson signed an amended order mandating the use of masks in public in the City of Cleveland to slow the spread of the highly contagious coronavirus. This includes mandatory use in bars, restaurants, shared office settings, rideshares and other shared spaces.

Citations may be issued with fines for the following:

- Any business or person violating the mask or safe-seating order (which maintains social distancing of at least six feet between patrons) is subject to civil penalties in accordance with Ordinance No. 556-2020, specifically chapters 602 and 236.
- Any business in the City of Cleveland with an employee who becomes ill with the coronavirus is required to immediately disinfect and sanitize the premises. Following a warning, they may be subject to a civil penalty of \$1,000 for the first offense and a civil penalty of \$3,000 for each subsequent violation.

Upcoming Cleveland Transformation Alliance Meetings

The Cleveland Transformation Alliance Committee (CTA) is currently hosting public meetings via Zoom or Microsoft Teams. For more information on these meetings, please visit <http://www.myCLEschool.org>. See details for upcoming meetings below:

Cleveland Plan Progress Committee: Thursday, October 8 at 3:30 p.m.

Via Microsoft Teams

[Join Microsoft Teams Meeting](#)

[+1 216-815-0098](tel:+12168150098) United States, Cleveland (Toll)

Conference ID: 548 632 971#

Finance Committee: Thursday, October 22 at 8:30 a.m.

Via Microsoft Teams

[Join Microsoft Teams Meeting](#)

[+1 216-815-0098](tel:+12168150098) United States, Cleveland (Toll)

Conference ID: 826 781 659#

Cleveland Transformation Alliance Board Meeting: Monday, October 26 at 5:30 p.m.

Via Zoom

[Join Zoom Meeting](#)

Meeting ID: 912 6590 2586

Passcode: 690222

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Find your local number: <https://zoom.us/j/91265902586>

City of Cleveland Utility Services Update

The City of Cleveland, Department of Public Utilities, in accordance with Mayor Frank Jackson's Declaration of Civil Emergency has continued with the policy suspending termination of service for non-payment. However, this policy is continually being monitored with great concern and awareness of the financial difficulties and other vulnerabilities many of our customers are facing due to the pandemic.

At an appropriate point in time, Cleveland Water's and Cleveland Public Power's suspension of service disconnections for non-payment will be ending and our regular process for collections and disconnection of delinquent accounts will resume.

If your account is currently past due, we want to ensure you are aware that disconnections will be resuming and offer our assistance.

Cleveland Water

We offer multiple ways to make fee-free payments:

- Online at my.clevelandwater.com
- By calling 216-446-6834 or 216-664-3130
- Using the dropbox located at 1201 Lakeside Ave.

If you have any questions about your account status, please contact CWD Customer Service at 216-664-3130, Monday through Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Cleveland Public Power

We offer multiple ways to make fee-free payments:

- Online at cpp.org
- By calling 216-664-4600 or 216-420-8000
- Using the dropbox located at 1201 Lakeside Ave.

If you have any questions about your account status, please contact CPP Customer Service at 216-664-4600, Monday through Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

List: Cleveland COVID-19 Testing Sites

Testing for those with COVID-19 symptoms or who have been exposed to someone with COVID-19 is available at the local federally-qualified health centers (FQHCs) below:

Neighborhood Family Practice

- W. 117 Community Health Center – 11709 Lorain Ave.
- By appointment only

- Tests are available regardless of one's ability to pay
- Call (216) 281-0872 for information or to schedule an appointment
- Results are back in one to three days

Care Alliance

- Central Clinic - 2916 Central Ave.
- Drive-thru and walk-up testing, by appointment only
- Tests are free of charge to the patient
- Call the COVID-19 Nurse Line at (216) 535-9100 and press 6
- Testing done Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- Results are back in 24 to 48 hours

The Centers

- East Office – 4400 Euclid Ave.
- Drive-thru and walk-up testing, by appointment only
- Tests are free of charge to the patient
- Call (216) 325-WELL (9355) to talk with an access specialist, be triaged by a nurse, and schedule your telehealth visit with one of our providers for screening for a test
- Testing takes place on Wednesdays, following a Tuesday telehealth visit (required)

Check out ODH's website for a map of testing sites:

<https://coronavirus.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/covid-19/testing-ch-centers/>

County, State & Federal Updates and Reminders

- [View the governor's daily updates here](#)
 - [View supportive documents and orders released from the governor's office](#)
- **Census:** The 2020 Census is happening now. Visit www.2020census.gov
- **Scams:** [IRS issues warning about Coronavirus-related scams; watch out for schemes tied to economic impact payments](#)

CodeRED

Sign up for CodeRED alerts to receive calls and emails with important info regarding the coronavirus. To sign up online, visit <https://bit.ly/CLECodeRED>, get mobile alerts by downloading the CodeRED app via the Apple or Google Play stores. Seniors who need assistance signing up are welcome to call the Department of Aging at (216) 664-4383 for periodic phone call messaging.

Previous COVID-19 Updates from the City of Cleveland

[Click here to view previous updates.](#)

For more information about COVID-19, visit the following:

- www.cdc.gov/coronavirus
- <https://coronavirus.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/covid-19/>
- <http://www.clevelandhealth.org/>

About the City of Cleveland

The City of Cleveland is committed to improving the quality of life for its residents by strengthening neighborhoods, delivering superior services, embracing diversity and making Cleveland a desirable, safe city in which to live, work, play, and do business. For more information on the City of Cleveland, visit online at www.clevelandohio.gov, Twitter at @cityofcleveland or Facebook at www.facebook.com/cityofcleveland.