

## **CITY OF BOWLING GREEN TAKES STEPS TO MINIMIZE EXPOSURE TO THREAT OF COVID-19**

### ***Public meetings for essential municipal matters.***

As the threat of Coronavirus (COVID-19) incidents impact our community, the City of Bowling Green is continuing its efforts to curb the threat of the spread by cancelling all non-essential meetings that do not address the immediate operations and function of municipal business. The City Commission will be limited to permissible attendance numbers in accordance with the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) guidelines.

At this time, all other workshops and non-essential meetings will be cancelled until further notice.

In accordance with Florida Sunshine Law and observing best practices of social distancing,

The following decisions go into effect immediately:

- The City Commission agenda will be limited to only those items essential to city business and which are not time-sensitive and may be postponed.
- In regards to public comment, and in lieu of physical attendance, the city encourages individuals to submit comments via email to the City Clerk [csilva@bowlinggreenfl.org](mailto:csilva@bowlinggreenfl.org) which will subsequently be read into the public record.
- For those organizations receiving a recognition and/or proclamation from the City Commission, the city is requesting representation by one attendee.
- In compliance with best practices of social distancing, city staff will be minimizing person-to-person contact by holding meetings through teleconference and online virtual meetings.
- Customers who wish to submit permit applications or pickup approved permits should not appear in person, but instead correspond via email to [mrodriguez@bowlinggreenfl.org](mailto:mrodriguez@bowlinggreenfl.org) with a CC to [csilva@bowlinggreenfl.org](mailto:csilva@bowlinggreenfl.org).
- Customers who wish to make payments for utilities or permits, should not appear in person, but instead call to make payment arrangements over the phone, online, through the website or via the City's drop box located on the East side of the administrative building.

**THE CITY HAS CANCELLED ALL FESTIVALS AND EVENTS UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE**