Coronavirus/COVID-19 Update: The City of Monterey Park Announces Extension of the “Safer at Home” Order and Face Covering Requirements

Monterey Park, Calif. – April 10, 2020 – The City of Monterey Park continues to follow the lead of the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) in implementing protocols to protect the health and safety of everyone in public spaces and in providing accurate and timely updates to the community.

The Los Angeles County Public Health Department’s press release of April 10, 2020 states, “A new Health Officer Order is being issued that extends the stipulation in the previous Health Officer Order through May 15, 2020. The Order also requires essential businesses to provide a cloth face covering for all of their employees to wear while performing duties that involve contact with other employees and or the public and to post their physical distancing plans. The public is also required to wear a face covering to enter essential businesses. All public and private gatherings of any number of people occurring outside a single household or living unit remain prohibited. Beaches, trails and trailheads and non-essential businesses remain closed. It is critical that everyone continue to take these actions to slow the spread of COVID-19. The Order allows essential businesses to implement the new measures by April 15.” The City of Monterey Park’s residents and businesses will be subject to the County Order.

As a reminder, according to the LA County Public Health Department, “the best community and individual defense against COVID-19 is to wash your hands frequently, avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth with unwashed hands, avoid being around sick people, practice physical distancing, especially by staying at home, and wear a face covering when out in the public procuring or providing essential services. N95 and surgical masks should only be used by healthcare workers, first responders, essential workers providing care for people who are ill, and people who are ill.”

Please continue to check the City’s website for updates and essential businesses can access the County’s “Social Distancing Protocol” that will need to be posted by April 15 at www.montereypark.ca.gov/coronavirus.

Important: Please do not call 911 to request testing for COVID-19 and please do not go to an emergency room unless you are seriously ill and require emergency care. If you have respiratory illness and want to know if you should be tested for COVID-19, it is best to call your health care provider or, if you don’t have a provider, call 2-1-1 for help finding a clinician near you.

For updates and information about the current numbers of cases in the United States and in Los Angeles County, the spread of the virus, severity, treatments, precautions, and other important public health information in multiple languages, please visit the following websites:

- Los Angeles County Department of Public Health: http://publichealth.lacounty.gov/media/Coronavirus/.

For more info from the City of Monterey Park, please visit www.MontereyPark.ca.gov/Coronavirus

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