



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

Due to the coronavirus pandemic, the City of Benton Harbor will be taking the necessary preventive measures ordered by the Governor Whitmer in Executive Order 2020-21; Stay Home Stay Safe Extended Order. The goal is to keep everyone safe and reduce exposure risks.

EFFECTIVE TUESDAY, MARCH 24, 2020, ALL CITY OF BENTON HARBOR PUBLIC BUILDINGS WILL BE CLOSED TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC. THIS WILL BE IN EFFECT UNTIL APRIL 30, 2020.

ESSENTIAL OPERATIONS DEPARTMENTS

The Public Safety Department and the Water Plant will operate normally with no interruption to services. However, the lobbies will be closed. Request for police reports can be made by email or by phone.

The Water Payment Center will still be available to process payments and service requests. Water bill payments can be done online at www.bhcity.us or via the payment drop box in the front of City Hall. The drop box is secure and confidential. Payments should be placed in an envelope with your contact information. RFPs should be in an envelope addressed to the Clerk's Office.

Water shutoffs have been discontinued during this period. Water service turn-ons for occupied structures may be scheduled through the Payment Center. There will be no additional costs for turn-ons.

All other departments will be servicing emergency calls only.

To schedule an appointment, please call or send an email to the appropriate department; as listed below:

City Manager's Office	269-927-8457	rrice@cityofbentonharbormi.gov
Assessor's Office	269-204-2739	astory@cityofbentonharbormi.gov
Code Compliance Dept.	269-927-8418	djones@cityofbentonharbormi.gov
Community & Economic Development	269-204-2776	tjennings@cityofbentonharbormi.gov
Clerk's Office	269-204-2450	kthompson@cityofbentonharbormi.gov
Human Resources Dept.	269-204-2468	lgolliday@cityofbentonharbormi.gov
Public Safety Department	269-927-8423	losler@cityofbentonharbormi.gov
Public Works	269-927-8475	dmeeks@cityofbentonharbormi.gov
Water Payment Center	269-351-2729	kjenkins@cityofbentonharbormi.gov
Water Plant	269-447-1945	momalley@cityofbentonharbormi.gov

For any questions regarding this release, please contact the City Manager's Office.