FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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Lexington City Offices Reopening

Lexington, VA – All City offices will now be reopened for all public functions beginning Monday, July 6th. While we must all still be concerned about the COVID-19 public health threat, Lexington City offices will be open to the public for all regular transactions, public needs and services. To continue to accommodate all concerns for individual health, City employees will also be available and assist; and services will be provided by phone, internet, US mail and through a drop box at City Hall. While in City Hall visitors must exercise social distancing and wear a mask. If you do not have a mask with you, you may take one within City Hall, as you enter. Please only enter City Hall for cash payments or questions and use the dropbox, if at all possible. All items placed in the dropbox will be processed promptly and a receipt will be provided upon request.

Regularly scheduled City Council meetings are still being held virtually only at this time. However, this is also being reviewed as we continue to adjust to the evolving changes to State and Federal guidance and the nature of the COVID-19 infection. All City Council meetings will continue the following practices, until further notice:

- Social distancing practices will be observed.
- The meeting will be live streamed with a link available on the City’s website and social media.
- Citizen comment period will be removed from the agenda. Rather than attending the meeting in person, citizens are encouraged to submit public comment in writing to the following email address: jhostetter@lexingtonva.gov, by US Mail to City Manager’s Office, 300 East Washington Street, Lexington VA, 24450, or by leaving it in the City’s drop box at the rear of the building (facing the parking lot) and addressed to the City Manager’s Office. Comments will be distributed to City Council and entered into the minutes as public record.

We ask that all residents continue to take this public health concern seriously and remember the following recommendations:

- Wash your hands with an antiviral soap. Vigorously rub your hands together for a minimum of 20 seconds, and do not omit your fingertips and nails.
- Use alcohol-based hand sanitizer that contains at least 60 percent alcohol if soap and water are unavailable.
- Avoid near contact with persons that present with flu-like symptoms, this is to include limiting your contact with others if you are ill.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unclean hands.
- Keep your clothing clean. If suspected contact with an ill person, change your clothing and launder the clothing ASAP.
- Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue. If no tissue is available, contain the sneeze or cough with your upper arm, not with your hands.
- Decontaminate equipment and surfaces using an antiviral / antibacterial cleaning solution.
- Employees should not report to work if they present with viral symptoms.
- If you are ill, stay at home. Contact your primary care physician for treatment courses and advice.
Lexington City offices have now reopened

Beginning at start of business Monday, July 6th

While the nation and community remain challenged by concerns related to COVID-19, all City of Lexington offices will now be open for all public business.

However, should customers and guests desire to speak with the following officials and continue to limit their direct contact with others; they may call the following numbers:

City Contact Numbers:

City Manager's Office.................................462-3700
Commissioner of Revenue's Office............462-3701
Finance Department.................................462-3702
Fire Department......................................463-3210
Human Resources Office.........................462-3729
Planning Department..............................462-3704
Police Department.................................462-3705
Public Works........................................463-3154
Recreation Organization (RARO).............463-9525
Treasurer's Office....................................462-3707
Voter Registrar.......................................462-3706

If you do not see the department you are looking for listed above, please call the City Clerk’s office at 462-3700.

If staff are unavailable when you call, please leave a message and somebody will return your call as soon as possible.

To keep us all safer, we strongly suggest that payments or other correspondence be sent by US mail or placed in the City’s dropbox at the rear of this building (facing the parking lot). If using the dropbox, please place your items in an envelope, with the department where it must go, listed on the outside of the envelope.

We will be reassessing the situation on a continual basis and will provide additional information as appropriate. Please visit www.lexingtonva.gov for additional updates.

We apologize for any past or future inconvenience, but sincerely thank you for your assistance in combating this continuing health issue.