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Town of Summerville Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) Update #12 *Council approves ordinance requiring face coverings*

SUMMERVILLE, S.C. (Monday, June 29, 2020) – Summerville Town Council has passed an emergency ordinance requiring the public to wear face coverings in retail and foodservice establishments, effective 12:01 a.m. Wednesday, July 1, through 11:59 p.m. Thursday, July 9, unless renewed or sooner terminated by Council. The vote was made at a special called council meeting on Monday, June 29, in the best interest of public health and out of an abundance of caution in helping to reduce risk of exposure to the coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19).

The Annex Building and Town Hall are open with strict guidelines.

- Masks are required.
- The public can only enter Town Hall through the entrance near W. 2nd South St.
- The public can only enter the Annex Building through the main entrance near W. Richardson Ave.
- Anyone who attempts to enter the facilities will be required to have their temperature taken by a first responder from Summerville Fire & Rescue. Entrance will not be granted to anyone with a temperature of 100.4 degrees Fahrenheit or over.
- Staff will sanitize commonly touched surfaces in common areas throughout the day.
- Hand sanitizer dispensers have been installed throughout the facilities.

Services for permitting, planning, zoning, business licensing, code enforcement, and general requests are available online through the [CitizenServe portal](#) or by phone.

- Town Hall: (843) 871-6000
- Administration: (843) 851-4200 or (843) 851-4201
- Building Permits: (843) 851-4205
- Business Licenses: (843) 851-4215 or (843) 695-6508
- Code Enforcement: (843) 851-4219
- Fire Department: (843) 873-5107
- Municipal Court: (843) 875-2010

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- Parks and Recreation: (843) 851-5211
- Planning/Tree Permits: (843) 851-4214
- Police Department: (843) 871-2463 or (843) 875-1650
- Public Works: (843) 851-4225

Court is closed to the public for in-person services until further notice.

- Proof of listed citations submitted for consideration while court is closed can be emailed to municourt@summerville.sc.gov. For requirements, [click here](#).
- Dorchester County Magistrate's Office will conduct bond hearings while the Summerville Municipal Court is closed.
- All cases scheduled during the closure will be rescheduled to the police officer's next court date.
- Notices will be sent out.
- Those affected can email the court or call 843-875-2010 with an updated address. Staff will respond to messages upon reopening.
- Payments can be made online at SC.gov or dropped off in our overnight payment receptacle outside Town Hall.

Events

- Annual Independence Day is canceled.
- 2020 Farmers Market has been postponed. In an effort to support local farmers, the Town of Summerville will operate an Essential Farm Goods Market until the Summerville Farmers Market officially re-opens for the season. The scaled-down market operates every Saturday between 8 a.m. and 1 p.m. beginning with vendors selling produce, eggs, meat, and dairy items.
- Fire Department's car seat installation classes are canceled.
- Staff will work with permittees on upcoming rentals.

Finance

- All deadlines for fines, penalties, and fees or the deadline for any other act required by the Town are suspended for March, April, and May. This suspension is only for penalties and does not affect the actual payments.
- Business license penalties are suspended through August 31. This suspension is only for penalties and does not affect the actual payments.

Public Works

- Staff is monitoring service requests through the Town of Summerville app and phone calls made to (843) 851-4225.

Recreation

- Rollins Edwards Community Center is closed to the public until further notice.

The Town advises the public to take precautions issued by the [South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control](#), the [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention](#), and the [World Health Organization](#).

For more information visit www.summerville.sc.gov or call the appropriate department.

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