



CITY OF PUYALLUP

City Council

March 10, 2020

To Our Puyallup Community:

As your elected officials, we care about and are invested in your well-being. We understand the local presence of cases involving the novel coronavirus is concerning, and we share those concerns. We are reaching out to share what we know, what the City is doing to address this situation, and how you can help.

What we know:

At this date, we know of 14 cases of COVID-19 in Pierce County. We expect more cases to be announced in the coming weeks as the virus continues to spread and more people are tested.

What we pledge:

First, we pledge to be open and transparent. Our overriding goal is to keep as many people safe from harm as possible, and we'll continue to share critical information and updates to that end.

As we deal with this situation, our staff is in daily contact with our local health authority, the Tacoma-Pierce County Health Department, as well as other partners such as Central Pierce Fire & Rescue and MultiCare Good Samaritan. Every public agency is on board with this response effort, and we're all working together to protect the health and welfare of everyone in Pierce County.

Here in Puyallup, the City will continue to develop and implement crucial response measures in accordance with our emergency management plans and protocols. These protocols have been developed over many years, and key staff have received significant training in responding to public emergency incidents. We have confidence that everything possible is being done.

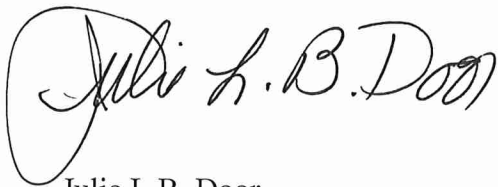
What we need:

Frankly, what we need at this time is you. We need every one of us to do our part to help reduce further transmission of the virus. Most of us are not at high risk for adverse health

complications, but many Puyallup citizens are vulnerable either by virtue of their age or by having underlying health conditions. These citizens need watching out for, and we ask that you help us watch out for them by taking important actions to hinder the spread of the virus. These precautionary measures can be found on the health department's website. Thank you for helping protect the most vulnerable amongst us.

Even in trying times, Puyallup is home. We are right here, with you, now and for the duration.

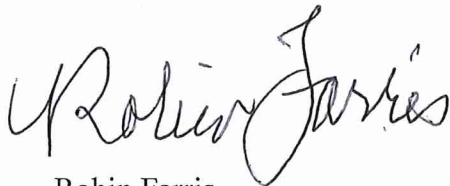
Sincerely,



Julie L.B. Door
Mayor



John Palmer
Deputy Mayor



Robin Farris
Councilmember



Dean Johnson
Councilmember



Cyndy Jacobsen
Councilmember



Jim Kastama
Councilmember



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