



PRESS RELEASE: COVID - 19
BOROUGH BUILDING CLOSURES, MEETING CANCELLATIONS
APRIL 6, 2020

The Borough of Hanover updated its status regarding COVID – 19 emergency closures, Borough services and cancellations:

1. **PUBLIC MEETINGS ARE CANCELLED:** Except for the Borough Council meeting of April 22, 2020, all public meetings are cancelled through at least April 30, 2020. The Borough Council meeting will be held through a public conference call using “Zoom”. Please check the Borough website for information on how to hear the meeting and provide comment during the meeting. If required, the Borough may hold special or emergency meetings with notice as provided by the PA Sunshine Act and posted on the Borough website.
2. **BOROUGH BUILDINGS AND PLAYGROUNDS WILL BE CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC:** Borough buildings, including the Municipal Building, Library, Farmers’ Market, Tanger Building, and Police and Fire Department Stations, continue to be closed to the public.
1. **ESSENTIAL SERVICES WILL CONTINUE:** All essential services will continue including Police, Fire, Water, Wastewater, and Trash Collection. The temporary discontinuance of large item trash collection will continue. All trash must be secured in bags. The Recycling Center will open Tuesday April 7, 2020 under revised hours of operation: M-F 7:30AM -2:30PM for self-service recycling only. All residents should have their recyclables separated and in separate containers when arriving to the facility. Social distancing measures will be enforced which may cause intermittent closures. Brush containers and a grass container will be available for Borough residents only. The Borough’s Transfer Station at 25 Barnhart Drive will remain open for public use at its regularly scheduled hours of operation. **Public Safety emergencies should still be addressed by dialing 911.**
3. **COMMUNICATIONS ON BOROUGH BUSINESS / PERMIT OFFICE CLOSURE:** Borough staff can be reached by phone or e-mailing at (717-637-3877) or (info@hanoverboroughpa.gov). Separate guidance will be provided by Wednesday April 8, 2020 regarding permitting, codes, and zoning.
4. **PAYMENTS / NO PENALTIES FOR LATE PAYMENTS:** Payments due for all Borough services can be made through: 1) The Borough’s payment drop boxes at the front and side entrance to the Municipal Building, 2) Through your financial institution’s online bill payment options, 3) Through mail, or 4) On-line, utilizing credit or debit cards or e-check. (Please note a third-party processing fee of \$3 per \$100 transaction applies). There will be no penalty for late payments during the closure period.
5. **NO WATER SHUT-OFFS:** The Borough will not terminate service for non-payment during the closure period.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation during this time. Further information will be provided if necessary through the Borough’s CodeRED Notification system. Please see “CODE RED COMMUNITY NOTIFICATION” link on the Borough’s website at hanoverboroughpa.gov to confirm your participation or add communication methods.

Borough Council wishes all the best for our residents and family during this difficult time. We will keep you informed through all available means of communication including the website at www.hanoverboroughpa.gov. Please stay at home and continue to socially distance to stop the spread of Coronavirus in our community.