



In a proactive effort to slow the spread of COVID-19 (Coronavirus) Governor Inslee issued Proclamation 20-07 today prohibiting gatherings of 250 people or more for social, spiritual and recreational activities. This prohibition includes but is not limited to community, civic and other public events such as parades, sporting events, concerts and fundraisers. The prohibition applies to King, Snohomish and Pierce Counties and is effective through March 31, 2020 and will be re-evaluated and possibly extended at that time.

In light of the serious health concerns that coronavirus poses to the Lake Stevens community, the City is taking the proactive approach of cancelling all nonessential public meetings through March 31, 2020. This applies to all regularly scheduled board and commission meetings.

City Council meetings will be either cancelled or conducted in an abbreviated format through March 31, 2020 as follows:

- March 17, 2020 City Council Workshop Meeting: Cancelled
- March 24, 2020 City Council Regular Meeting: Abbreviated format. Public Notice will be provided in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act (RCW 42.30) once City staff has finalized details of holding the meeting.

City Hall will remain open to the public to conduct business between the hours of 9 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. All visitors to City Hall will be directed to wash their hands in accordance with public health guidelines **prior** to conducting their business with city staff.

The Police Department will remain open to the public to conduct business between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. All visitors to the Police Department will be directed to wash their hands in accordance with public health guidelines **prior** to conducting their business with Police Department staff.

This is an evolving public health concern and we will provide information and updates as necessary and warranted by the situation.