

Community News: Coronavirus - Belle Isle Update March 19, 2020

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CITY OF BELLE ISLE, FL COMMUNITY NEWS

Update

Belle Isle declares State of Emergency

Updated closings and cancellations

March 19, 2020

Dear Residents:

The City of Belle Isle declared a State of Emergency effective 8:00 am, March 20, 2020, as a standard protocol in response to other regulatory directives and to be eligible for potential federal financial relief.

The City of Belle Isle takes steps to minimize exposure to the threat of COVID-19. The following decisions go into effect immediately:

City Hall and Police Station - All City offices are closed to the public as of 5:00 p.m. on March 20th. The City continues all operations, and staff can be reached by phone, email, and online.

- In compliance with best practices of social distancing, city staff will be minimizing person-to-person contact with the public by conducting business through email and phone.
- Customers who need to come to City Hall need to call for an appointment first so the proper social distancing measures can be taken before their arrival.
- Customers who wish to make payments for any permits, should not appear in person, but instead, call to make arrangements over the phone (407-851-7730).
- Customers who walk-in without calling first may be asked to wait outside until the proper social distancing measures can be made.



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**If anyone has
questions about the
Coronavirus, they
can call the Orange
County Coronavirus
Call Center at
407-723-5004
M-F 8AM - 5PM**

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As the COVID-19 situation develops, the City Administration is closely monitoring multiple resource outlets to make the best decision for the safety of our residents and staff. Staff is in contact with Orange County, the State of Florida, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), and other agencies following the latest guidance.

Phone 407-851-7730
Fax 407-240-2222

Public meetings for essential municipal matters

As the threat of Coronavirus (COVID-19) incidents impact our community, the City of Belle Isle is continuing its efforts to curb the risk of the spread of Coronavirus by canceling all non-essential meetings that do not address the immediate operations and function of municipal business. The City Council meetings will be limited to permissible attendance numbers in accordance with the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) guidelines.

- The City Commission agenda will be limited to only those items essential to city business and which are time-sensitive. Other agenda items may be postponed.
- In regards to public comment, and in lieu of physical attendance, the City encourages individuals to submit comments via email to the City Clerk at yquiceno@belleislefl.gov, which will subsequently be read into the public record.

In accordance with Florida Sunshine Law and observing best practices of social distancing, in lieu of physical attendance, the City Council requests and encourages individuals to view live streaming and submit public comments via email to the City Clerk at yquiceno@belleislefl.gov to be read in the record.

At this time, all other workshops and non-essential meetings will be canceled until further notice; this includes but is not limited to the Police Advisory Board, Tree Advisory Committee, Budget Advisory Committee, Solid Waste, and Recycling Advisory Committee, and Special Events Committee, and Planning & Zoning Board.

City Events

- The Easter Egg Hunt scheduled for April 11th has been canceled.
- The Spring Fling scheduled for April 25th has been canceled.

Please continue to monitor our website

www.cityofbelleislefl.org for updates to City information.

Also, continue to visit the County website:

www.ocfl.net/Coronavirus for additional updates and steps you can follow every day as preventive measures recommended by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

If you are experiencing symptoms, please call the [Florida Department of Health \(DOH\)](#) Coronavirus Call Center: **407-723-5004**.

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