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## City Commission Meeting Changes to Comply with Social Distancing

March 23rd, 2020

In an effort to slow the spread of COVID-19, the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) has issued a recommendation not to gather in groups of more than ten people. In response to the close geographical proximity of confirmed COVID-19 cases (still none in Anderson County), in conjunction with the CDC's recommendation, the City of Garnett has suspended public access to City facilities.

While the City has taken this step to limit exposure of our staff and the community to this virus, we still continue to provide all essential City services as normal. We have been in consistent communication with Anderson County Emergency Management and continue to monitor new developments. It is our main priority to keep our Garnett community members healthy and safe.

In compliance with the CDC's recommendation, the City Commission meeting scheduled for Tuesday, March 24<sup>th</sup>, 2020 will be held via the Zoom videoconferencing platform. This is a website (or app on a smartphone) from which you will be able to watch, listen, and communicate with our City Commissioners during the meeting. You may view this meeting by going to the following link: <a href="https://zoom.us/j/2287265287">https://zoom.us/j/2287265287</a>. If you do not have access to a computer or smart phone but would still like to listen and have a chance to participate via phone, call 669-900-9128. When asked for Meeting ID Number, enter: 2287265287# You will not have a participant ID, just enter # again.

To allow for orderly proceedings with this meeting format, all participants will be muted upon entering the meeting. During the "Citizen's to be Heard" portions of the meeting, participants will be unmuted to allow for comments. When this portion of the meeting concludes, all participants other than the Commissioners and City staff will once again be muted. Please be mindful that televisions, radios, etc. will interfere with the meeting.

Thank you for working with us during this challenging time for all and we hope to have your attendance and participation at tomorrow evening's meeting. Please look for further information via our website or social media pages and please call City Hall if you have any questions. Thank you all for being a part of this wonderful community and take care!

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