8200 WESTMINSTER BLVD. WESTMINSTER, CA 92683

PHONE: (714) 898-3311 WWW.WESTMINSTER-CA.GOV

PRESS RELEASE

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE March 31, 2020

CONTACT: Christine Cordon, City Clerk (714) 548-3237, ccordon@westminster-ca.gov

City extends local emergency order and closure of facilities until further notice

WESTMINSTER, Calif. - In light of the presidential order on March 29, 2020 to extend social distancing guidelines through April 30, the City of Westminster has extended its limited access to city facilities, park amenities, and services until further notice.

In addition, the City has extended its suspension of penalties and interest for late payments of utilities and parking citations, and business license fees that are incurred beginning March 16. The Westminster Police Department will not issue street sweeping citations during this time.

The following City building and facilities will remain closed to the public, but operational with bilingual City staff available during business hours to answer phone calls and provide assistance:

- **City Hall** 714-898-3311; Monday through Thursday, 7:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m.; every other Friday until 4:30 p.m.
- **Police (Non-Emergency)** (714) 898-3315; Monday through Thursday, 8 a.m.-5 p.m.
- **Corporation Yard** (714) 895-2876; Monday through Friday, 6:30 a.m.-5 p.m.
- **Community Services and Recreation** (714) 895-2860; Monday through Thursday, 7:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m.; every other Friday until 4:30 p.m.
- **Senior Center** (714) 895-2878; Monday through Thursday, 7:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m.; Fridays alternating from 7:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. and 8 a.m.-1 p.m.
- **Family Resource Center (FRC)** (714) 903-1331; Monday through Friday, 9 a.m.-6 p.m.; additional phone hours on Tuesday and Thursday, 6 -8 p.m.

There are no changes to emergency calls for service or essential services related to public safety, and residents experiencing life-threatening emergencies are to call 9-1-1.

All park amenities will remain closed. Residents wishing to use the park for walking are encouraged to practice social distancing by maintaining six-foot distances from others who are not part of the immediate household.

Vote centers for the April 7th Special Election originally scheduled at the Miriam Warne Community Building and Sigler Park/FRC are closed. Voting will be conducted by mail only. For additional information, including how to obtain a replacement mail ballot, contact the Orange County Registrar of Voters at (714) 567-7600 or view the press release at www.ocvote.com.

Many City services will continue being offered remotely, including <u>water bill payments</u>, reporting maintenance issues through the My Westminster mobile application available for <u>iPhone</u> or <u>Android</u>, and <u>dog license applications or renewals</u>. Residents are encouraged to call individual departments or visit the city's website for assistance with services.

For additional resources and updates related to services, visit the City's dedicated coronavirus webpage at https://projectwestminster.com/coronavirus-updates.

###