Dear Friends, Neighbors, and Fellow Layton City Residents,

Here is what is new for today:

GOVERNORS CONFERENCE WITH LOCAL ELECTED OFFICIALS TODAY:

First and foremost, Layton City is open for business, our emergency services, essential services are all here. City Council meeting will be Thursday (please join us by video on Channel 17 and Live-Streaming) and Planning Commission meeting will be next Tuesday as usual. Large meetings, along with sports and recreation events, have been cancelled until notified otherwise.

Today Governor Herbert met via tele-conference with almost 400 locally elected officials to update the Cities and Counties. Here is the focus of the State on the current situation:

SOCIAL AND PEOPLE NEWS

Testing Kits – Our hospitals are testing for the virus. A Utah company has successfully developed a testing kit and has started to mass produce them. The problem is a lack of the chemical that is needed to read the results. The State is working to increase the supply so that a large number of tests can be performed daily with prompt results. Testing are fast results are key to containing the virus as well as preventing the overwhelming of our hospitals and health facilities.

Normal Lives – 80% of those infected will have very mild symptoms. 20% will have more serious symptoms. Grocery stores will remain open and have plenty to supply our needs. Water is abundant and Layton’s water is fantastic. It is springtime and there are plenty of outdoor activities to do that are consistent with the separation, cleaning, and staying healthy guidelines.

Keep up the good work - Spray touched surfaces, wash hands, keep the proper distance from others, and stay at home when sick.

Travel – Restrict discretionary travel as much as possible.

Assisted Living facilities and Facilities for the Elderly – Please visit by phone or other means. These are our most vulnerable folks.

ECONOMIC NEWS

Small Businesses – Those small businesses adversely effected by the economic impact of the virus – All Counties in the State of Utah have been approved for SBA assistance. For more information get on line at: https://www.sba.gov/disaster-assistance/coronavirus-covid-19

Individuals out of work – Those individuals out of work because of the economic impact of the virus, please look at your eligibility for assistance at: See https://jobs.utah.gov/covid19/index.html
Banks and Stimulus packages – these issues will be discussed Thursday, as the Governor and Lt. Governor plan to brief City and County officials twice a week on key issues surrounding the virus.

Restaurants and Bars - No restaurant closures in Layton City. Our restaurants are taking great measures to ensure he recommended guidelines are being met. The Davis County Health Department will give an order if additional restrictions are required.

Support our local businesses – Our businesses are not closed and they can accommodate our needs. Some have offered pickup and curb side delivery. By supporting our businesses, we help each other through this crisis.

Thank you again for remaining attentive.

Respectfully yours,

Mayor Joy Petro
Councilmember Zach Bloxham
Councilmember Tom Day
Councilmember Dawn Fitzpatrick
Councilmember Clint Morris
Councilmember Dave Thomas