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COVID-19 (CORONAVIRUS) UPDATE- We are taking steps to protect the health and safety of citizens and staff of the City of Reading, and to ensure continuity of municipal services during this pandemic, *Reading City Hall will be closed to the public beginning March 17, 2020*.

City staff will be available to assist you by phone at (517) 283-2604 or e-mail to <u>staff@reading.mi.us</u> until further notice. Please contact the office to discuss payment options of utility bills that do not require in-person payment.

In addition, the City will not process any service disconnections for non-payment and will not be charging late fees on City Utility Accounts until further notice. We hope that this eases residents' worries.

As this is a rapidly evolving situation that has prompted Emergency Declarations by Governor Whitmer and President Trump, the City is following guidance issued by the Center for Disease Control (CDC), Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) and the Branch-Hillsdale-St. Joseph Health Department (BHSJ).

As a community, we can all help to combat the spread of the virus: **DO THE FIVE** to help stop the coronavirus.

- 1. HANDS Wash them often
- 2. ELBOW Cough into it
- 3. FACE Don't touch it
- 4. FEET Stay more than 3 feet apart
- 5. FEEL sick? Stay home

Resources regarding COVID-19

FEDERAL: CDC <u>www.CDC.gov/coronavirus</u> STATE:MDHHS <u>www.michigan.gov/coronavirus</u> COUNTY:BHSJ <u>http://bhsj.org/</u>

The door to City Hall will be closed at this time, but the commitment to maintain services will keep moving forward. The City of Reading will provide further information on Hillsdale County and local efforts to combat the pandemic in the following days. Please follow us on Facebook or visit http://reading.mi.us for updates.