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Town of Vienna cancels events through June 30, extends operational changes and closures to June 10

In response to the coronavirus pandemic and efforts to slow its spread, the Town of Vienna has canceled all special events through June 30 and has extended limitations to Town facilities and modifications to some Town services until June 10. These cancellations and extensions align with Gov. Ralph Northam's "stay at home" executive order, which is effective until June 10.

The Town of Vienna government continues to operate and provide essential and other services. The Town strongly encourages residents and customers to conduct business with the Town via telephone or online whenever possible.

The Vienna Community Center, Town playgrounds, basketball and tennis courts, and Vienna Dog Park are closed. All associated programming, rentals, classes, activities, and field permits are canceled until June 10. Town parks remain open – for now.

"We really would love to be able to keep our parks open to give everyone an outlet and an opportunity to enjoy being outdoors," says Parks and Recreation Director Leslie Herman. "We've had some issues with folks not adhering to social-distancing guidelines. We're monitoring that and hoping we're not forced to close the parks."

All Town special events, including ViVa Vienna, have been canceled through June 30. The Vienna Farmers Market tentatively plans to open Saturday, June 13.

Many Town of Vienna board and commission meetings have been canceled until June 10. While most meetings are canceled, Town Council and some boards and commissions will continue to meet, often virtually, as scheduled provided there are agenda items that are essential to continuity of government. Residents are strongly encouraged to participate in public hearings by submitting comments in writing and via electronic means. Check the Town's online calendar at viennava.gov for updates.

On March 31, Town Council adopted a continuity of government ordinance that temporarily suspends the requirement for a physical quorum and allows meetings to be held through real-time electronic means. The ordinance also provides for postponement of non-emergency public hearings and action items.

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