

City of Greeley, Colorado  
**COVID-19 City Council Briefing**  
May 29, 2020

The Briefing began at 4:00 p.m. via a remote Zoom Meeting between City Staff and the City Council. It was live-streamed on the City of Greeley's YouTube Channel.

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Gates called the Zoom Meeting to Order.

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Gates led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

**3. ROLL CALL**

Cheryl Aragon, Interim City Clerk, called the roll. Those present were Mayor John Gates and Councilmembers Tommy Butler, Michael Fitzsimmons, Dale Hall, and Brett Payton. Councilmembers Ed Clark and Kristin Zasada were excused.

**4. COVID-19 UPDATE**

*Pandemic Response Activities*

Dan Frazen, Emergency Manager, provided stats for the State and County, as well as numbers hospitalized locally.

He stated that the Ranch will only operate if needed and added that there have been zero guests at the Bonell personal isolation facility.

Mr. Frazen advised that the Emergency Operations Center is closing, but will be working remotely. He stated that it can get back up and running quickly if needed in case of a surge.

He also reviewed Weld County Public Health Data including cases by age and gender, death data by County and State, calls for service, and the number of first responders in quarantine, which is looking good at this point.

Mr. Frazen went on to review new city of Greeley daily COVID-19 case data. He thinks that this is the most consistent and current data.

*Greeley Area Recovery Fund Dashboard Update*

Ben Snow, Economic Health and Housing Director, reported that this has been an exciting week as businesses began opening. He stated that he has been very proud of City staff for coming alongside businesses in a quick, creative and responsive way.

Mr. Snow reported that there have been 157 applications with 134 coming from Greeley. He stated that the Small Business Development Center is hearing from businesses that they are so grateful for this lifeline.

Mr. Snow stated that applications have slowed down a bit, but the fund will be monitored and will remain open for applications.

City Service Review

Becky Safarik, Assistant City Manager, reported on the City of Greeley threshold indicators of community COVID-19 stability.

She went on to review various thresholds noting that the number of first responders in quarantine is looking good. She reviewed the change in positive cases in relation to Greeley's percentage of the state total; the 9 days of consistently lowering COVID-19 beds at hospitals based on Greeley hospital checks; and noted that the green indicators are looking good.

With regard to zip code data, Ms. Safarik advised that this data is temporarily unavailable, but expecting a more reliable format for that from the County.

Downtown Restaurant Expansion

Ms. Safarik reported that a Zoom Webinar was held earlier in the day with Downtown businesses and restaurants. She provided an overview of the webinar and of the options shared with them about temporary outdoor dining and alcohol consumption areas.

She stated that businesses can apply for temporary modifications now.

**8. SCHEDULING OF MEETINGS, OTHER EVENTS**

No additional meetings or events scheduled.

**9. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Council, Mayor Gates adjourned the meeting at 5:01 p.m.




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Cheryl Aragon Interim City Clerk