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COVID-19 UPDATE: CITY MAKES ADDITIONAL PROGRAMMING AND TRANSIT SERVICE ADJUSTMENTS

Welland – The City of Welland has implemented additional adjustments to programming and services to keep the public and City staff safe and to minimize the spread of the COVID-19 virus.

The initiatives are as follows:

Transit Services effective Monday, March 30, 2020, until further notice:

Welland Transit & WellTrans Services:

Welland Transit will provide regular Sunday service seven days per week on all municipal routes; every route will commence at 10 a.m. and provide hourly frequency through to 6 p.m.

Niagara Region Transit

Service will be provided Monday through Saturday on the hourly frequency Saturday service.

Port Colborne Community Link

The Port Colborne Community routes will commence at 10 a.m. and operate until 6 p.m.

Customers will be asked to board from the rear doors and passengers requiring assistance due to accessibility challenges will be accommodated at the front doors. Customers will not be required to pay.

Staff are making arrangements to compensate customers using a 31-Day Pass and further information will be communicated.

Marriage Services

Marriage services scheduled to occur in April are currently cancelled. The following options will be provided to applicants:

- Marriage ceremony service may be cancelled or rescheduled to a later date
- A completed marriage licence application may be retrieved by the applicant by appointment and must be prearranged first by calling 905-735-1700 x2280
- Refunds will be issued for fees paid

Marriage licences are valid for 3 months. The Office of the Registrar General is exploring options related to the timeframe on currently issued marriage licences.

Outdoor Recreational Facilities

The Leash-Free Dog Park has been closed.

Special COVID-19 Phone Message – Niagara Stay At Home Campaign

Welland Mayor Frank Campion, along with Regional Mayors and Regional Chair Jim Bradley have recorded messages that will be sent out via landline and cell phones to 160,000 Niagara residents over the next two days as part of the Niagara Stay At Home COVID-19 public awareness campaign. For further information, visit www.niagararegion.ca/health.

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