April 27th, 2020

Hello,

There is one additional new case, who unfortunately passed away.

The person calling in the last case let dispatch know that the person possibly had COVID-19 and the responders were prepared.

Governor Inslee has restarted construction to include projects that were in process. The link to details of the addendum to the proclamation is here. He announced this afternoon that he will partially reopen outdoor recreation on May 5. The Columbia Gorge Tourism Alliance, consisting of local, state and federal agencies, is working on coordinated messaging from his announcement.

Scott and I attended a meeting with Representative Mosbrucker and other Skamania County representatives on Friday to talk about our needs and concerns. This will take place on a regular basis for the time being. John Mobly brought up a concern about price gouging, the Port is reducing rent to their tenants in order to keep them and is concerned about gifting of public funds, and we brought up flexibility with funding streams, future funding for capital projects to help economic development through the recovery, antibody testing, and opening up construction.

In other news, the water meters have shipped and are expected to be here this week. They intend to start installation on May 18th and finish by the end of the month. Notices will go out to customers and we will coordinate with commercial businesses.

The 2019 Annual Financial Report has been submitted as well as all requested documents for the audit. It will start May 4th and if you would like to participate in either the entrance or exit conference, please let me know. If more than 2 councilmembers want to participate, I'll advertise for a special meeting.

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City Administrator