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March 18 City Council Meeting to Be Held Using Remote Technology

NEW BRUNSWICK, NJ (March 17, 2020) – Governor Phil Murphy yesterday signed an Executive Order implementing aggressive social distancing measures to mitigate further spread of COVID-19 in New Jersey. This order places new standards for crowds and social gatherings.

The Governor's Executive Order #104 limits the size of public gatherings to just 50 individuals until further notice. Just this past weekend, the City announced that the Council Meeting would be moved to the auditorium at New Brunswick High School to maintain the "social distancing" recommendation. Due to the new restriction, the meeting will return to Council Chambers at 78 Bayard Street and employ call-in conferencing to allow the public to participate.

The call-in option will allow members of the public to participate in the meeting via telephone by dialing in and using an access code without entering New Brunswick City Hall.

There are two phone numbers provided for the public to participate in the meeting. Persons wishing to participate may phone-in by dialing (408) 418-9388 and entering access code 718-168-847 or by dialing (224) 501-3412 and entering access code 136-754-893.

Call-in participants will be able to hear all remarks made during the City Council meeting. During the public comment portions of the meeting, members of the public will be able to participate and contribute, much like a standard conference call. All standard rules and procedures pertaining to City Council Meetings will apply.

City Staff will be available by phone to offer technical support by calling (732) 745-5007. The telephonic conferencing system will be activated at 6:25 P.M. on March 18, 2020.

Members of the City Council and limited support staff will take part in the meeting from inside Council Chambers while practicing “social distancing”.

The City of New Brunswick is the county seat for Middlesex County and home of Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, the world headquarters for Johnson & Johnson and two globally-renowned hospitals. New Brunswick is an educationally-focused City as well as “The Healthcare City.”

All of New Brunswick’s developments provide seamless access to major transportation lines and an extensive dining scene and an arts district, located in its bustling downtown. The City is focused not only on bringing in new residents and businesses, but also on improving the lives of every one of its residents.

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