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City of Salinas approves Declaration of Local Emergency to limit exposure to COVID-19

Salinas, CA -- On Tuesday, March 17, 2020, the City of Salinas declared a local emergency in efforts to limit the impacts and exposure of COVID-19.

In addition to the Monterey County Health Department's Shelter-in-Place, the following City facility closures are in effect starting March 18, 2020 to April 8, 2020:

- City Hall, 200 Lincoln Avenue (Administration, Human Resources, Finance, and Public Works) - Closed to the public.
- Fire Stations - Closed to the public.
- Libraries and Recreation Center - Closed to the public.
- Permit Center, 65 W. Alisal Street (Building, Planning, Engineering, Fire, Code Enforcement and Finance functions of the Permit Center) - Limited access to the lobby will be granted one person at a time to handle issues that cannot be handled otherwise.
- Police Department, 222 Lincoln Avenue (Lobby) - Limited access to the lobby will be granted one person at a time to handle issues that cannot be handled otherwise.
- Public Works Environmental Maintenance, 420 Work Street - Closed to the public.
- Salinas Municipal Airport, 30 Mortensen Ave- Closed to the public.

Additionally, all Council, Commission, Board, Committee and non-essential meetings are canceled. The City has also canceled all scheduled and future community events and gatherings of 50+ attendance until further notice.

The order does not affect local government essential services to protect the health and safety of the community. Limited city operations will continue via telephone and e-mail.

The City of Salinas will continue to coordinate with local, state and federal health partners, and medical first responders in efforts to keep the public informed.

For more information about the COVID-19 (Novel Coronavirus) impacts visit the [Monterey County Health Department](https://www.co.monterey.ca.us/government/departments-a-h/health) website for updated information and other helpful resources.

Helpful resource links:

<https://www.cdc.gov/>

<https://www.co.monterey.ca.us/government/departments-a-h/health>

<https://www.caloes.ca.gov/>

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