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City to Take Incremental Approach in Opening Buildings Back to the Public

The City of Springfield has developed a phased return-to-work protocol for the organization that emphasizes the continued health and well-being of its employees and the community.

A section of City Hall will reopen to the public on May 11, with some restrictions and limited hours, in accordance with recommendations made by the Clark County Combined Health District, the Ohio Department of Health, and Gov. Mike DeWine's directives in managing the COVID-19 pandemic.

“In these unprecedented times, we've made difficult, but necessary, decisions to protect public health and safety,” said Springfield City Manager Bryan Heck. “As we move forward, we are taking measured steps toward resuming full public access in City buildings in a way that protects the safety of everyone in our community.”

The first floor of City Hall - the location of the City's Utility Billing and Income Tax service counters - will reopen to the public on May 11, under the following guidelines:

- The building will be open to the public on Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 9 to 11 a.m., and on Tuesday and Thursday from 2 to 4 p.m.
- No more than 10 members of the public may be inside the building at any given time
- Those inside, and those waiting outside, may practice safe social distancing by observing the floor markings that keep each person six feet apart from one another

- Public access to other floors of City Hall is prohibited
- All other City of Springfield buildings will remain closed to the public until further notice

Officials expect to keep the guidelines in place until further guidance is provided by the State of Ohio.

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