



May 5, 2020

COVID-19 Status Report Oak Park Village Board of Trustees

To: Village President and Village Board of Trustees

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The memo is a means to share a brief summary of information regarding Village of Oak Park operational activities in response to COVID-19. In most cases, formal public guidance or employee guidance has been publicly disseminated via the Village website or Village social media channels.

## **New Public Health Guidance**

Today, the Village of Oak Park Department of Public Health received notification of the following new COVID-19 cases: 4 Oak Park residents who range in age from under 20 to 40s.

The youth case is the second teenager to test positive COVID-19.

Excluding individuals for which street addresses are not yet determined, the State of Illinois reports a total of one-hundred ninety-one (191) total Oak Park COVID-19 cases. It is important to note that as patient tracking and case follow-up occurs, individuals listed within the number of Oak Park cases reported may change depending on residency confirmation.

The Oak Park Department of Public Health is notified of positive tests as established by state and local public health protocol. Because of privacy laws, no additional information can be released about the individuals. It is noted, that privacy precludes location information regarding individuals tested to anyone other than Public Health Officials and First Responders.

The Oak Park Department of Public Health is working closely with officials from the Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH), investigating and notifying anyone who may have had exposure to the individual who tested positive for COVID-19. Local public health officials, hospitals and first responders are following protocols consistent with the latest guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

## Cases related to Long-Term Care and Assisted Living Facilities

Public Health Director Charley reported no change in cases for residents today in Long-Term Care and Assisted Living Facilities.

| Facility Name                   | # of Resident Cases | # of Resident Deaths | # of Staff Cases |
|---------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------|------------------|
| Belmont Village of Oak Park     | 2                   | 0                    | 4                |
| Berkeley Nursing & Rehab Center | 1                   | 1                    | 1                |
| Brookdale Oak Park              | 5                   | 1                    | 5                |
| Oak Park Arms                   | 5                   | 0                    | 3                |
| Oasis of Oak Park               | 19                  | 6                    | 2                |

## **Farmers Market Commission Meeting**

A special meeting of the Farmers Market Commission is being held Thursday, May 7, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. remotely with live audio available and optional video. The meeting will be streamed live and archived online for on-demand viewing at <a href="https://www.oak-park.us/commissiontv">www.oak-park.us/commissiontv</a> as well as cablecast on VOP-TV, which is available to Comcast subscribers on channel 6 and ATT Uverse subscribers on channel 99. Remote meetings of Oak Park Citizen Commissions are authorized pursuant to Section 6 of Governor J.B. Pritzker's Executive Order 2020-07, with limitations.

Governor Pritzker's Executive Order allows for remote participation meetings by public bodies, but public bodies are "encouraged to postpone" meetings and should only hold meetings when "necessary." Executive Order No. 2020-07 (COVID-19 Executive Order No. 5) at Section 6. The Illinois Attorney General issued "Guidance to Public Bodies" regarding the Governor's Executive Order on April 9, 2020. In that guidance, the Attorney General states, "Where a public body does not have critical issues that must be addressed because time is of the essence, cancelling or postponing public meetings may be prudent during the COVID-19 outbreak, rather than holding meetings that could pose a risk of danger to the public." Thus, the test as to whether to hold a meeting is an issue to be discussed is "critical" that must be addressed immediately.

The Commission welcomes public comments and statements will be read into the public record of the meeting. Public statements of up to three minutes will be read into the record during Non-Agenda public comment or Agenda public comment, as an individual designates. Statements will be provided to the Commission Members in their entirety as a single document. Please follow the instructions for submitting a statement provided below. Questions regarding public comment can be direct to 708-358.5672 or email clerk@oak-park.us.

Public comment is a time set aside at the beginning of each Citizen Commission meeting for public statements about an issue or concern that is not on that meeting's agenda. Individuals are asked to email statements to publiccomment@oak-park.us to be received no later than 30 minutes prior to the start of the meeting. If email is not an option, you can drop comments off in the Oak Park Payment Drop Box across from the entrance to Village Hall, 123 Madison Street, to be received no later than 5 PM the day of the Commission meeting.