

DISTRICT UPDATE



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Welcome to District 7

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Dear Friends,

Below are some important updates concerning the City's handling of COVID-19 issues. We can see glimmers of sunshine as we navigate through the significant healthcare crisis and soon might be able to responsibly commence opening parts of the economy. We need to balance the urgency to bring businesses back on-line while avoiding the creation of a second wave of infection. As promised, I will continue to keep you updated as we make progress toward what I hope to be a successful, if somewhat different looking, recovery through this difficult time.

My first Thursday monthly coffee will take place via Zoom this Thursday, May 7th at 9:00 a.m. If you would like to participate:

Join Zoom Meeting
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82085022796>

Meeting ID: 820 8502 2796

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South Lake Business Association



Green Street Village



Pasadena Playhouse District



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We welcome you to join us.

GOVERNOR LOOKS FORWARD TO RECOVERY

State will open up in stages

Last week, at a daily press conference on April 27th, Governor Newsom and the Director of the State Department of Health Services, Dr. Angel, outlined the path to re-opening the state. They laid out four stages, with us being in stage 1 now. While there is no specific timetable yet, it appeared that a move to stage 2 could begin in 2-3 weeks. Considerations to move to the next stage would be:

1. Hospitalization and ICU trends stable
2. Hospital surge capacity to meet demand
3. Sufficient PPE supply to meet demand
4. Sufficient testing capacity to meet demand
5. Contact tracing capacity statewide

The Governor made it clear that the transition to stage 2 would occur through a statewide modification to the Stay-At-Home Order.

In stage 2, "Lower Risk Workplaces" would be allowed to operate with modifications and implementation of precautions that Essential Businesses have done. Lower Risk Workplaces would include: office (when telework is not possible) retailers and manufacturing, together with the opening up of public spaces. Considered for Stage 3 are gyms, personal care (hair and nail salons) movie theaters, and in person religious services. Stage 4 are sports arenas and convention centers. The only reference there is that we are months away from stage 4. All movement forward is conditioned on not having large spikes in COVID cases, which would cause the state to move back down the steps.

Yesterday, Governor Newsom announced his intentions to allow some retail businesses to reopen with modifications as early as Friday, amid encouraging coronavirus benchmarks. The

[New Pasadena COVID-19 Dashboard](#)

[COVID-19 Information for Businesses](#)

[Mayor's Virtual Prayer Breakfast is Thursday, May 7th at 8 a.m.](#)

[Neighborhood Porch Concerts in District 7 Provide Solace and Joy](#)

businesses will include places such as book, clothing, toy, and sporting goods stores as well as music shops and florists. This phase of California's reopening will not include malls, offices or sit-down service in restaurants. Those businesses authorized by the State to reopen will have to abide by restrictions, such as physical distancing and delivering orders at the curbside. Detailed guidelines about the Phase 2 reopening will be released by the Governor this Thursday.

Given this news, we are eager to start opening things up as well, but we will determine our own schedule which may not entirely mirror the state's businesses or timeline for opening.

As the economy and society begin to re-open, we will also give thought to how we transition City services back toward normal. Just like the state as a whole, Pasadena will proceed cautiously to ensure the safety and well-being of City employees, residents, and businesses.

CITY COUNCIL REVIEWS EMERGENCY TENANT PROTECTION ORDINANCE

Additional clarifications added to Eviction Moratorium

In March, City Council passed an emergency Tenant Protection Ordinance providing both residential and commercial tenants, if unable to pay rent due to COVID-19, the ability to pay back their rent 6 months after the local emergency ends. In April, the City Council then asked staff to bring back the Tenant Protection Ordinance for further review.

After much discussion, the Council voted last night to keep the requirement for renters to pay back their rent in 6 months after the emergency ends, but also added the following language to the ordinance:

- 1) Landlords may not impose any new pass-throughs or charge interest or late fees for unpaid rent during the moratorium period
- 2) Define "tenant" under the Moratorium to include persons or businesses that lease inside storage space in self storage facilities
- 3) Encourage payment plans that allow landlords to accept partial payments from tenants during the

moratorium

4) Landlords may not harass or intimidate tenants who choose to exercise their protections under the Eviction Moratorium

PASADENA INTRODUCES SAFER STREET MEASURES

Three tiered program will encourage outdoor exercise, discourage speeding traffic

The City of Pasadena Department of Transportation (DOT) is implementing a number of strategies to enhance safety for all road users during the Safer at Home Order.

You may have already noticed neighborhood signage placed at entrances to residential neighborhoods throughout the city reminding us all to slow down for neighbors who may be walking, running, or bicycling in streets to practice social distancing. Sign deployment will be completed in District 7 sometime next week and signs will be in place until the order is lifted and public parks and recreation centers reopen to the public. All local streets will remain open and accessible to traffic, since there remains a need for essential workers to get to and from work, deliveries to be made, and residents to make essential trips.

DOT has also launched a Walk Local, Bike Solo cross-channel social media campaign on Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter. This campaign will be managed through the local non-profit organization Day One. It will promote self-guided neighborhood tours, encourage residents to support local restaurants, and share COVID-19 health and safety reminders. For more information, visit walklocalbikesolo.com.

Additionally, In an effort to reduce motorist speed and enhance safety, traffic signal timing along 10 major corridors will be modified to operate in "nighttime mode," also known as "free mode" operation, all day in an effort to reduce motorist speed and enhance safety. When intersections run in nighttime/free operation, traffic is served on a first-come, first-served principal. Every two or three intersections will alternate directions for the light to rest in red, until a motorist, pedestrian or bicyclist approaches the intersection. Once traffic approaches, the signal changes within seconds. Pairing the free operation with rest-in-red will require vehicles to slow down or

stop at certain intersections. Modifications to the signal timing will be implemented along the following city corridors.

1. Washington Boulevard - Lincoln Avenue to Allen Avenue
2. Orange Grove Boulevard - Fair Oaks Avenue to Sierra Madre Boulevard
3. Walnut Street - Raymond Avenue to Foothill Boulevard
4. Colorado Boulevard - Allen Ave to Madre Street
5. Del Mar Boulevard - Los Robles Ave to San Gabriel Ave
6. Sierra Madre Boulevard - Orange Grove Boulevard to Hastings Ranch Drive
7. Hill Avenue - Washington Boulevard to California Boulevard
8. Lake Avenue - Washington Boulevard to Villa Street
9. Fair Oaks Avenue - Montana Street to Villa Street
10. Lincoln Avenue - Montana Street to Washington Boulevard

Following the implementation of free operation along these corridors, DOT will determine if this type of signal operation should be extended to other corridors around the city.

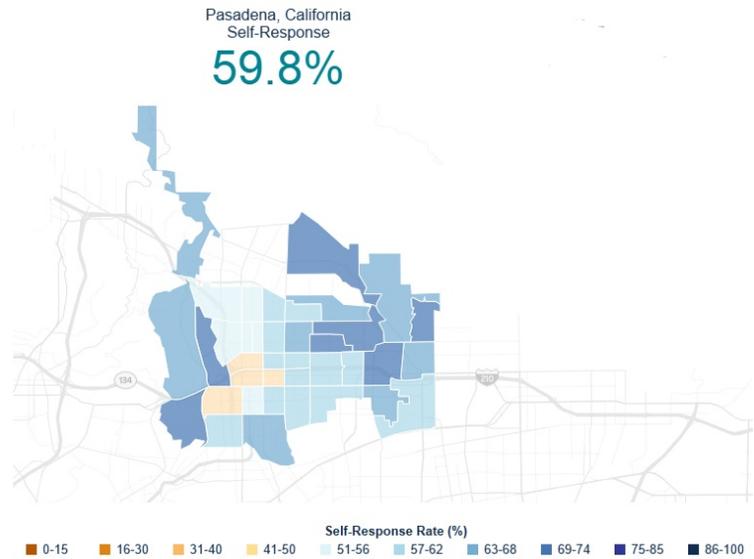
IT'S NOT TOO LATE FOR CENSUS

District 7 not yet at 75% response rate

Now more than ever, it is important for all of us to complete the 2020 Census Questionnaire and make sure that everyone gets counted. This is our one chance for the next 10 years to get an accurate count of all people living in Pasadena. The data gathered from this effort will serve as the basis for determining how billions of federal dollars are allocated to states and local governments, as well as how voting districts will be reapportioned (or redistricted) affecting our elected representation at federal, state, and local levels.

For Pasadena residents, Census data collected in 2010 was used to distribute more than \$400 million to support local schools, transportation, housing, and healthcare programs. These are vital programs that serve the most vulnerable members of our community.

Currently, the 2020 Census response rate for Pasadena is 59.8%. There are areas in the City where response rates are still below 50%.



Please go to www.my2020census.gov and complete the form online.

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