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MANTECA OPENS GOLF COURSE, PARKS, AND MORE

MANTECA (CA): On April 24th at the noon hour, the San Joaquin County Public Health Officer issued an amended order regarding outdoor public gatherings, outdoor activities and provided clarification on essential businesses. Parks were not included in this amendment, but the City of Manteca received some clarifying information on opening our parks. The amended order updates the requirements for faith-based gatherings, golf courses and landscaping/gardening services. This amendment addresses four areas:

- Permits faith-based organizations to hold services in a “drive-in” like manner if certain rules are followed. Services must occur outside. Only people from the same household can attend per car. Individuals must stay inside their cars during the entire service. All social distancing protocols are still required.
- Establishes a set of over 50 rules for local golf courses to resume limited operations, including the following: All clubhouse and indoor facilities, locker rooms, public seating and practice putting greens will remain closed; Water dispensers, bunker rakes and golf ball washers will be removed; Tee time intervals will be extended with players waiting in cars until tee time; Increased golf course sanitation measures; Social distancing protocols for players and staff is required to the best extent possible. (There is an attached copy of the Golf Facility Social Distancing Protocol to this press release.)
- Allows serious potential buyers (i.e. buyers who have provided verification of funds or lender prequalification letters) to view a house in-person before the current resident has moved out. In-person showings must be by appointment with no more than two visitors at a time from the same household and one individual showing the unit. All social distancing protocols are still required.
- Provides guidance to arborists, landscapers, and gardeners on physical distancing protocols that must be implemented. Social distancing practices are maintained while providing any service and during payment. Any shared equipment is cleaned between users. Crewmembers who are not members of the same household must not travel in the same vehicle.

The City of Manteca will be partially opening our city parks. All basketball courts and all hard surfaces will remain closed. This means all play structures, benches and tables will not be accessible to the public. The grass area of the parks will be open for play, except for team based recreational sports (formal and informal teams). There still is a restriction on social/group gatherings and those enjoying the park together must be of the same family or household.

The City of Manteca is also exploring our legal authority to help support our small businesses that are not open at this time. Manteca wants to be ready, when we are given the “green light” to open our city.

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