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## **City of Kenai Facilities Public Access Update**

KENAI, AK—The City of Kenai is taking action to address public access to City facilities in response to Governor Dunleavy urging Alaskans to take immediate action to slow COVID-19. These steps are necessary in light of the rapid spread of cases across Alaska and the increasing cases on the Kenai Peninsula and allows the City to maintain critical services.

Regardless of building status, City employees will continue to work diligently to continue to provide important services to residents during this period.

The Senior Center has remained closed and will continue to be closed to the public while the staff provides meals and services to seniors.

The Kenai Community Library will close to the public on Saturday, November 14 through November 30, but will offer curbside service and adjust dates for borrowed materials. Book drops will remain available during this closure.

The Kenai Municipal Airport Terminal will remain open to the public; however, Administrative offices within the terminal will be closed to the public until further notice.

The Kenai Ice Rink will remain open to use by Central Kenai Peninsula participants only. Kenai parks, open spaces, and trails will remain open.

The Kenai Visitor and Cultural Center closed to the public today and will be closed for three weeks. The Kenai Chamber of Commerce & Visitor Center still plans to hold outdoor activities for its Christmas Comes to Kenai event.

City Hall will be closed to the public until November 30; however, payments for City utilities using personal checks or money orders for water and sewer may be made by using the dropbox in front of City Hall. Customers paying with credit/debit cards and e-checks or bank account transfers may log in to xpressbillpay.com, use the Xpressbillpay phone app, or by phone: 1-800-720-6847. Payments for citations may be made by contacting City Hall: 283-8200.

Critical operations such as police, fire, and utility departments will remain in full operation during this time. Non-emergency police concerns can be reported by dialing 283-7879. Please continue to dial 911 in the case of an emergency. If you have a request or question for a City department, in most cases, City offices may still be reached by mail, email, or phone.

The City will continually evaluate the need for additional restrictions or an extension of closures.

Updates on City operations will also be available on the City's website and Facebook page.