



Memorandum



TO: All Employees
FROM: Health and Safety Department
Cc: City Council
DATE: May 5, 2020
RE: Announcements Updates - Coronavirus (COVID-19)

Several government announcements have been made over the last week regarding various pandemic topics that might leave you wondering what status of these are and how it affects you and the City.

Pandemic Premium Pay

Announcement that a designated group in the health care sector will receive a temporary top up of \$4.00 per hour, plus lump sum of \$250 per month for those who work over 100 hours in said month.

The logistics have not been ironed out yet, and we continue to wait for guidance from the province on how to proceed with the payment of such.

Open for Business

Announcement that certain sectors were able to open as of May 4th, including lawn care services, garden centres and nurseries for curbside pickup only and certain construction projects.

At this time the City is not open for business. Until direction is received from the government, our buildings continue to remain closed to the public, winter hours continue at the Deloro Landfill and Timmins Transit continues to operate with an extended Sunday schedule.

School Closures

Announcement that schools and childcare remain closed until May 31 for the general population. Childcare has been permitted for first responders and health care workers only.

Travel

Although there are no restrictions for Ontarians to travel within the province or inter-provincially, all City of Timmins business travel continues to be suspended.

It has been a long seven weeks, and we are slowly starting to see the light at the end of the tunnel. Thank you for your continued patience and effort to help flatten the curve.