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## Essential municipal services, support of activities deemed critical by the State of California to continue uninterrupted in Hayward

**HAYWARD, Calif.**, Dec. 4, 2020— Essential municipal services and City operations that support construction and other activities deemed critical by the State of California will continue in Hayward under the newly announced Alameda County COVID-19 Shelter-in-Place order.

At the same time, Hayward Public Library services that were being provided curbside will be suspended in compliance with the new order, which takes effect at 12:01 a.m. Monday, Dec. 7, and will remain in effect until Monday, Jan. 4.

Library book-return boxes will be locked through the period, and fines for late return of library materials will remain unenforced.

Additionally, Maintenance Services' response to reports of accumulated litter, illegal dumping and graffiti may be delayed due to crew deployment adjustments.

Street-sweeping and related parking enforcement, which recently had been suspended until Dec. 10, will resume on that date as scheduled.

The Hayward COVID-19 Testing Center, weekly No-Contact Food Distribution program and other facets of the City's pandemic relief and response initiatives will continue to operate.

Specifically, the new Shelter-in-Place public health order—announced in response to increasing infections and strains on the region's health-care systems—prohibits private gatherings of members of different households and all non-essential travel.

For a summary of new restrictions on previously allowable activities under the new public health order and other COVID-19-related information from the City of Hayward, click <u>here</u>.

For a list of activities deemed critical by the State of California and allowed to continue under the new order, click <u>here</u>.