

# City of Foley

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### **FOLEY CITY COUNCIL APPROVES CLOSURE OF CITY OFFICES TO THE PUBLIC EFFECTIVE MARCH 18 IN RESPONSE TO CORONAVIRUS OUTBREAK**

**Foley, Minn. – March 18, 2020** – The City of Foley remains committed to serving the citizens of Foley and protecting the city’s employees in order to continue services in light of the recent COVID-19 virus.

To that end, effective immediately (March 18) the city is closing City Hall and other public facilities to the public, but will continue to carry out all necessary functions. The closure will be in effect until March 31, 2020. This date may be extended as conditions warrant.

Further, the city will postpone or cancel non-essential gatherings, meetings, and travel. City Council meetings will remain considered essential, but the open meeting law does allow for council meetings to be conducted by telephone or electronic means. More information on this will be forthcoming.

All city personnel will continue to report to work and perform their jobs, but they will exercise precautions to minimize the spread of any illness. City business will continue. The Police and Fire Departments will continue to respond. The city’s Public Works will continue functioning as normal. Building permits and administrative matters will continue and forms can be submitted electronically or by mail. Water/sewer utility payments can continue to be dropped off at the box outside City Hall, paid over the phone, or paid online on our city website.

Please continue to monitor the city’s website at [www.ci.foley.mn.us](http://www.ci.foley.mn.us), Twitter, or Facebook pages. Thank you for your patience if these changes cause an inconvenience as the city ensures it can continue to serve its residents.

Foley, Minn. is the County Seat of Benton County, a rural community located 50 minutes north of Minneapolis and St. Paul and 15 minutes northeast of St. Cloud, Minn. Living in Foley offers a small town atmosphere along with many recreational opportunities, including two city parks, a skateboard park, golf course, a municipal swimming pool and walking trail. Foley has a population of more than 2,700.

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