

City Response

COVID-19 Pandemic

April 28, 2020



Provincial State of Emergency

- Declared provincial emergency on March 17, 2020



Provincial State of Emergency

As of April 28, 2020:

- State of Emergency remains in effect until May 12
- Previously issued emergency orders remain in effect until May 6
- All publicly funded schools remain closed until May 31

Provincial Emergency Orders

Include community-focused orders:

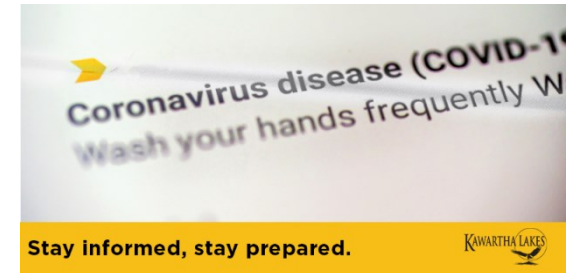
- Prohibiting public events and gatherings
- Closure of places of non-essential businesses
- Closure of outdoor recreational amenities



Provincial Emergency Orders

Include municipal service-focused orders:

- Drinking water and sewage
- Various LTC home directives
- Enforcement of Orders
- Access to COVID-19 status information
- Work deployment
- Various childcare and social service directives



Local State of Emergency

- Emergency operations centre (EOC) activated March 16, 2020
- Rescheduled regular council meeting held March 19, 2020
- Mayor formally declared local state of emergency March 24, 2020
- Local declaration remains in effect



Emergency Operations Centre (EOC)

- Continues to meet multiple times weekly
- Beyond city departments (including paramedic and fire services) and mayor participation, team includes police services (OPP and KLPS), HKPR District Health Unit (HU), and Ross Memorial Hospital
- Sole focus currently is emergency management and response

Emergency Operation Centre (EOC)

- No additional local emergency orders issued by the City
- HU can issue orders independently
- HU tracks cases within our Health District
- HU provides a weekly communication and maintains information on their website



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Local Enforcement

- Police services and by-law enforcement granted certain enforcement powers within provincial emergency orders
- Mayor has led proactive communications to educate and inform the public, and hosts regular local media scrums for ongoing updates



Provincial Emergency Funding

- \$1.8M in emergency funding from province for immediate community supports to service managers (KL and Haliburton) – focus on food and housing stability
- \$70K in emergency funding from province for Victoria Manor (LTC home emergency relief)

Local Service Impacts

- Public facility and recreational amenity access suspended
- Parks limited to passive exercise activity
- Curbside waste collection & leaf and yard waste pick-up expanded



Local Service Impacts

- Community events and gatherings suspended to June 30, 2020 (and traditional Canada Day gatherings to be prohibited)
- Decisions for summer season (July & August) events and programs pending



Corporate Response

Critical and “emergency” essential service functions maintained, including:

- Emergency services (paramedics, fire and police services)
- Local social services and housing for vulnerable residents
- Victoria Manor LTC home
- Water and wastewater operations
- Waste collection and recycling
- Winter control and emergency road/bridge/culvert repairs
- Transit
- Utility locates



Corporate Response

- Delegated authority granted (March 19) to CAO for business continuity - emergency procurement, staffing deployment and decisions, interim service delivery decisions
- Continued focus on emergency response, and critical service delivery (staffing, supplies, H&S) in conformity with emergency orders
- Gradual shift towards corporate and community recovery

Corporate Response

- Regular operations team meetings
- Other essential and non-essential work and functions being maintained where feasible and compliant
- Staff redeployments
- Staff layoffs, voluntary leaves, seasonal and non-essential work hiring suspended

Corporate Response

Revised service delivery and maintenance:

- Work-from-home
- Limited facility access
- Electronic council meetings
- Staff patrols/inspections
- Signage, education, communications
- Ongoing file management (eg. Provincial offences, by-law enforcement, legal and risk management functions)



Next Steps

- Consideration of revised 2020 work plans focused on community and corporate recovery
- Review 2020 budgets and financials
- Continued emergency response focus and critical service maintenance

