

CITY OF PORTSMOUTH



City Manager's Advisory Monday, February 15, 2021 Happy Presidents' Day!

MAYOR'S BLUE RIBBON COMMITTEE ON ARTS & NONPROFITS, first meeting Mon Feb 15 at 12 noon via Zoom. For Agenda and Zoom registration, click here.

<https://www.cityofportsmouth.com/sites/default/files/2021-02/BRC%20Agenda%20021521.pdf>

TUESDAY, FEB 16 CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION ON PRESCOTT PARK MASTER PLAN IMPLEMENTATION via Zoom at 6:30 pm. For the Agenda and Zoom registration, click here.

<http://files.cityofportsmouth.com/agendas/2021/citycouncil/cc021621wsag.pdf>

DEADLINE MON FEB 15: SMALL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CENTER RESILIENCY SURVEY -- The Chamber Collaborative is

partnering on Phase 2 of the 2021 NH SBDC Business Resiliency Survey that the NH Small Business Development Center (SBDC) developed with the UNH Survey Center to evaluate the impact of COVID-19 on small businesses throughout New Hampshire. **Phase 2 aims to determine how best to help small businesses recover and become more resilient.** The survey is available now and will be live through **Monday, Feb. 15.** It should take less than 10 minutes to complete. [Click here](#) to take the 2021 NH SBDC Business Resiliency Survey:

https://unh.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_ebd4q6WQ1UA58Hj?LK=DDL

FOR MORE SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION COVID-19 RELIEF RESOURCES, click here.

<https://www.sba.gov/funding-programs/loans/coronavirus-relief-options>

INTERACTIVE MCINTYRE DESIGNER ROUNDTABLE COMMENTS – through

February 25 at 5 pm -- Principle Group hosted a Zoom discussion Feb 11th as a Designers' Roundtable session on the McIntyre Project designs. Principle

Group presented the draft designs and local designers (aka "Panelists") critiqued and provided comments. Then the Roundtable offered [this Miro tool](#) showing all

https://miro.com/app/board/o9J_IWLNZCw=/ (and see instructions on how to view all the designs and add your comments on the virtual whiteboard here: <https://www.cityofportsmouth.com/mcintyre-project>)

the design sketches for the public to comment.

The opportunity to view the design sketches and comment via this tool will stay open until February 25 at 5 pm.

**AARP TAX PREPARATION ASSISTANCE
February 7 – April 11, 2021**

NOTE: AARP Tax Help will be drop-off-only this year.

1. Pick up a tax filing envelope. Please take only one envelope per tax return. Available at:

- Portsmouth Public Library (Monday - Thursday and Saturday, 11 am - 1 pm)
- Portsmouth Senior Activity Center, 125 Cottage St (any time -- envelopes located under the canopy)

2. Return tax package to Senior Activity Center. Instructions and list of what to bring for the intake interview with the tax counselor are included in the tax envelope. 125 Cottage Street (COAST Bus #40), Sundays 12 noon - 1 pm. Mondays 10 am to 12 noon.

3. Intake Interview – a tax counselor will contact you for an intake interview. A tax counselor will call you for an appointment to pick up your taxes at the Senior Center (COAST Bus #40).

If you have any questions or need special assistance call AARP's Tax-Aide Volunteer Hotline at 603-205-2646.

PLOWABLE SNOW POSSIBLE THIS WEEK -- SIGN UP FOR WINTER PARKING BAN NOTICES AND OTHER CITY ALERTS --. These alerts are announced in several different ways:

- **CodeRED:** anyone can sign up to receive automatic email and text alerts, click here. **NOTE: Use this same link to UNSUBSCRIBE.** <https://public.coderedweb.com/CGE/BFB5C752D5A4>
- **Snow Phone:** call 766-7669 (SNO-SNOW)

- **Channel 22**
- **CityofPortsmouth.com** shows a yellow (planned) or red (active) banner when snow parking ban events occur.
- **Twitter:** follow @PortsmouthDPW
- **Public Works Department:** call 427-1530 to use the Click 'n Fix system.
<https://www.cityofportsmouth.com/publicworks/portsmouth-click-n-fix>
- **During parking bans, residents should take advantage of City parking lots and reduced rates in the garages.** Flat fee: \$3 at Foundry Place and \$5 at the Hanover garage, good until 2 hours after ban ends.



COVID-19 VACCINE ADMINISTRATION IN NEW HAMPSHIRE

– As of February 14, NH had received **311,875** doses of vaccine and had vaccinated **208,541**. The dose balance ensures vaccine for those scheduled to receive first or second doses in the current Phase 1A-1B. For the vaccine tracker, by state, click here: <https://covid.cdc.gov/covid-data-tracker/#vaccinations>

Everyone receiving the first dose now receives a vaccination card that includes a scheduled appointment for Dose 2. All you need to do is show up for Dose 2. If you need to change that appointment, they are able to by calling 2-1-1.

Anyone who still has problems with any scheduling should call 2-1-1. The call center is fully staffed with 200-300 people between 6 am and 10 pm.

AGE 65+ VACCINATION APPOINTMENT WEBSITE -- Scheduling an appointment online at <https://vaccines.nh.gov> is the fastest, most efficient way to do so and is highly encouraged. The website is designed to handle 100,000+ people at the same time.

For those unable to schedule an appointment online, the 211 Hotline remains available, 7 days a week, 6 am to 10 pm. That call center is staffed by 300+ people, but high wait times are expected.

Those 65+ who do not have Internet access and need assistance can call Brinn Sullivan [603-610-4433] at the Portsmouth Senior

Activity Center. Please note that the City is not setting up vaccination appointments. Brinn is simply available to help seniors over the telephone to register on the State website. **Brinn is also assisting seniors who need transportation to the local vaccination sites.**

For DHHS VACCINE FAQs, click here:

<https://www.dhhs.nh.gov/dphs/cdcs/covid19/documents/vaccination-planning-faq.pdf>

UPDATED! MASK FAQs -- SHOULD YOU WEAR TWO MASKS? WHAT IS THE “KNOT & TUCK” IDEA? Click here:

<https://www.cityofportsmouth.com/city/covid-19-mask-faqs>

PORTSMOUTH VACCINE FAQs from the Mayor’s Blue Ribbon Committee on Health and City Health Department, click here.

<https://www.cityofportsmouth.com/city-manager/vaccination-faqs>

NEW FAQs: “I Had COVID-19, Now What?”

<https://www.cityofportsmouth.com/health/after-covid-19-faqs>

PERMITS FOR OUTDOOR DINING & DOMES/IGLOOS– APPLICATION PROCESS NOW OPEN -- City staff started reviewing and renewing applications for the 2021 outdoor dining season as of February 1.

- **Those approved for the 2020 season DO NOT need to reapply.** They will be contacted directly by the City to renew their licenses for the upcoming season.
- **Businesses who were not approved in 2020 and wish to operate an outdoor cafe on public property in 2021 must apply for approval** by submitting an application through the City’s Viewpoint online permitting portal. <https://portsmouthnh.viewpointcloud.com/categories/1076/record-types/6431>
- Anyone **opening a new restaurant, is an existing restaurant that is expanding or adding an outdoor area on private property, or who seeks to place tables, chairs or signage on a public sidewalk** with no food or alcohol service, please click here for more information. <https://portsmouthnh.viewpointcloud.com/projectTemplate/4>

For more information about outdoor café permitting click here.

<http://files.cityofportsmouth.com/files/planning/StandardsforUseofPublicRealmAndSampleLayout.pdf>

Once an application is approved, use of public sidewalks is allowed starting March 1.

Approved use of public streets will start April 1, weather permitting. Questions? Planning

Department at 610-7216
or planning@cityofportsmouth.com.

**STATEWIDE MASK MANDATE EXTENDED
THROUGH MARCH 26, 2021**

<https://www.governor.nh.gov/sites/g/files/ehbemt336/files/documents/2020-25.pdf>

**GOVERNOR'S EMERGENCY ORDER
EXTENDED THROUGH MARCH 5, 2021**

<https://www.governor.nh.gov/sites/g/files/ehbemt336/files/2021-02/ex-order-2021-02.pdf>

**PORTSMOUTH MASK ORDINANCE
THROUGH JUNE 30, 2021.**

**For answers to Portsmouth Mask Ordinance
Frequently Asked Questions, click here.**

<https://www.cityofportsmouth.com/sites/default/files/2020-10/MaskOrdinanceFAQ%202020.10.05.pdf>

For Vaccination FAQs click here.

<https://www.cityofportsmouth.com/city-manager/vaccination-faqs>

For Testing FAQs click here.

<https://www.cityofportsmouth.com/city/testing-faqs>

For Ventilation FAQs click here.

<https://www.cityofportsmouth.com/city/ventilation-faqs>

**For Daily Life During the Pandemic FAQs,
click here.**

<https://www.cityofportsmouth.com/city/daily-life-during-covid-19-frequently-asked-questions>

**For “I’ve Had COVID-19, Now What?” FAQs,
click here.**

<https://www.cityofportsmouth.com/health/after-covid-19-faqs>

For more information, visit City’s page on
COVID-19:

<https://www.cityofportsmouth.com/city/covid-19-information>