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Mayor Rilling Provides Local Update on Coronavirus

(Norwalk, Conn.) - City officials are working closely with partners at the state and federal levels, as well as partners in Norwalk, to monitor and respond to COVID-19, the 2019 novel Coronavirus. Statewide updates can be found online at ct.gov/coronavirus. Mayor Rilling provided the following Norwalk-area specific updates regarding COVID-19 coronavirus as of 6:30 p.m. on Monday, May 18, 2020:

- Since yesterday, there are no new positive cases in Norwalk, and the total positive reported cases remains at 1,917. There were also three new deaths reported, Now, a total of 115 residents have died from coronavirus.
- Governor Lamont and Rhode Island Governor Gina Raimondo announced that the reopening of hair salons and barbershops, originally slated for May 20, was being pushed back to early June. More information on this announcement can be found at ct.gov.
- Phase One of the Reopen Norwalk Plan begins on Wednesday, May 20. City officials remind residents to verify their license plate information online before heading to a park or beach. Nonresidents will be ticketed and towed, so it is important the public checks information online. Residents can visit norwalkct.org/passes 24 hours a day, seven days a week, to verify their vehicle status and obtain more information.
- Mayor Rilling hosted a Zoom Town Hall with Chief of Economic and Community Development Jessica Casey, Director of Planning and Zoning Steve Kleppin, and Director of Business Development and Tourism Sabrina Church. The Town Hall was recorded and can be watched on the City of Norwalk YouTube Channel.
- The City is hosting a webinar tomorrow, May 19, at 3 p.m. to discuss in more detail the outdoor dining permit application process and to answer questions from local businesses. The webinar can be accessed by visiting norwalkct.org/meetings.

“It makes me sad to share that three more residents have died from COVID-19. My heart goes out to their families, friends, and loved ones who are grieving. While reporting no new cases today is certainly welcomed, I hope it does not give anyone belief that this virus has been defeated. The virus is still here and we must continue to take necessary precautions to keep our community safe and healthy,” Mayor Rilling said. “My staff is working hard to get permits approved so businesses can safely reopen this week. We are really trying to find the right balance between supporting businesses and ensuring public safety. I waived permit fees to help our local businesses, but that does not mean we will relax guidelines that are in place to protect the health and safety of the public.”

Members of the public are encouraged to sign-up for the City’s CodeRED Emergency Alert Notification System at norwalkct.org/codered. Updates on City services, hours, and community resources will be routinely published at norwalkct.org/citynews. The latest health updates can be found at norwalkct.org/coronavirus.

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Number of Norwalk COVID-19 Cases by Date of Specimen Collection

Test results may be reported several days after collection. Does not include cases with missing specimen collection dates.

Number of Confirmed COVID-19 Norwalk Cases per Age Group

*Data are preliminary & subject to change. May not add up to total case count as demographic data may be missing.*

Number of COVID-19 Norwalk Deaths per Age Group

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