Building City of North Port Limited Operations During COVID-19 Pandemic

To ensure the health and safety of our citizens, visitors, business owners and staff, the following modifications have been implemented.

**Permit intake:**

Operations will be limited. The Building Division will be closed to the public beginning April 1, 2020 until further notice.

Until further notice, we are currently limiting our permit intake capabilities and request our customers to utilize our online permitting for online permits, apply for over the counter permits through the email provided below and electronic plans review for single family homes. We will also be utilizing the utility department drive thru window and a permit drop box for permit drop off and pick up.

**Plan review:**

Plan review is still being conducted but response to review comments will be conducted either by email or phone.

**Inspections:**

On April 1, 2020, we will be suspending building inspections on all occupied existing interior residential single-family, multi-family dwelling units and commercial buildings until further notice to minimize the exposure of COVID-19.

Inspections on new construction residential and commercial buildings will continue but we ask you practice social distancing as provided by the CDC by limiting the number of workers in the buildings while the inspection is taking place. Inspections on residential and commercial
accessory structures (docks, seawalls, pools, boatlifts, sheds, garages, cages) will continue if the inspector doesn’t have to enter the dwelling unit to access the accessory structure.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us.

Phone contact: 941.429.7044 Email contact: bldginfo@cityofnorthport.com

**The overall permit application process, responding to emails and phone calls, may take longer than usual. I encourage patience, understanding and social distancing during these difficult times so that we can limit disruption to our everyday lives**