

**LETTER FROM MAYOR CHRIS RILEY
COVID-19 CRISIS –11/06/2020**

Dear Leon Valley Citizens and Businesses:

**LEON VALLEY CLOSES FACILITIES DUE
TO POSITIVITY RATE**

At the November 2, 2020 city council meeting, it was reported that the positivity rate for the week ending November 1st rose to 7.7%, from 6.8% the week before. The council had set a 7% positivity rate as the trigger to determine if we should shut down our city facilities to contain the spread of the virus. Staff recommended to council to close City Hall once again, allowing only people who make an appointment to come to city hall (210 684-1391). The drop box and online payment of bills continue to be options. **The basketball courts and soccer field for contact sports are now closed again.** Playgrounds, tennis courts, community gardens and walking trails, as well as the park bathrooms remain open.

The Leon Valley Library was scheduled to open with Phase Four on November 17, 2020 – making an appointment to use the computer for 45 minutes during the time the library was open. **This will be delayed.**

Phase 3 will continue with curbside pickup of books and videos, as well as online programming for adults and children. Please note that Wi-Fi is

available on the porch at the library. Information to connect is on the library front door.

THIRD WAVE?

Dr. Coleen Bridger, San Antonio Metropolitan Interim Health Director reported on Thursday that San Antonio is not in a third wave of the pandemic – yet! The City of San Antonio has recently increased its proactive enforcement: identifying hot spots in the community where the virus is spreading, increasing the number of testing locations (next week there will be 16 no cost testing locations), and regulating outdoor gatherings to no more than ten people.

Dr. Bridger’s message to avoid the 3rd Wave from hitting San Antonio is to mask up, social distance, wash hands and please stay home if you do not feel well – you may unknowingly have COVID, and be a spreader! (This procedure also prevents the flu from spreading).

County Commissioner Rodriguez reported that Judge Nelson Wolff was exposed to someone in his office who was positive for COVID -19. He has self quarantined and is doing well.

COVID-19 UPDATE OF CASES

As of November 5, 2020, the total number of cases reported

in Bexar County is 66,909, a 2.3% increase in 8 days. There were 1,422 total deaths reported on November 5th , a 1.0% increase in 8 days. There were 259 hospitalizations reported yesterday, with 111 patients in ICU and 56 patients on ventilators. Included in the 259 hospitalizations are 42 patients who were transported from El Paso, Texas, which is experiencing a COVID surge.

ELECTION 2020 WRAP-UP DURING COVID

Commissioner Justin Rodriguez reported a historic high of approximately 760,000 citizens who voted in the November 3rd election. This represents 64% of the registered voters. Special thanks to all the election workers and election administration for running a very smooth election.

DRIVE THROUGH HALLOWEEN EVENT

Thanks to our city staff, business owners, and other volunteers for their time and effort given to organize this Halloween event, as an alternative to trick-or-treating. Many families drove through the Community and Conference Centers, to enjoy the costumes, music and goodies given away. Dr. Bridger of the Metropolitan Health Department reported that Halloween events apparently did not cause numbers to rise.

Please continue taking this virus seriously. Let's get through the winter without a third wave. We can do it Leon Valley!

Sincerely, Chris
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