To the residents of Pigeon Forge:

As we continue to learn more about COVID-19, we want you to know that the management of the city of Pigeon Forge continues to be in contact with local, state and federal agencies to keep abreast of the current status of the virus. We ask our citizens to use your own personal judgement and follow guidelines provided by the CDC and WHO. As the COVID-19 (coronavirus) situation continues to unfold, it is important to understand the facts and rely on credible sources for news and information.

COVID-19 Resources

Pigeon Forge residents are encouraged to adhere to CDC and Health Department for the most up to date information on travel resources and information:

- Centers for Disease Control's Coronavirus site here
- Tennessee Dept. of Health Coronavirus site here
- World Health Organization site <u>here</u>
- National Institutes of Health site <u>here</u>

The best ways to prevent illness is to avoid being exposed to this virus. It is recommended that everyone take the following precautions:

- Stay home when sick and avoid close contact with people who are sick;
- Cover coughs or sneezes with tissues and discard them in the trash;
- Frequently wash hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds;
- Clean frequently-touched surfaces with a disinfectant;
- Avoid touching eyes, nose and mouth with unwashed hands.
- Out of an abundance of caution we would recommend that senior adults and those individuals
 with medical conditions refrain from crowds and only travel outside their home when necessary
 until the CDC has provided information that it is safe.

Please know that we are fully involved in doing what we can to protect the residents of Pigeon Forge.

Respectfully,

Earlene Teaster, City Manager City of Pigeon Forge