



Updates to Anticipated Reopening Dates

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All items that are postponed until further notice are ~~crossed out~~

Summary of Anticipated Reopening Dates for Buildings & Services

Facilities currently open & services currently available:

- Animal Control adoption and microchipping services
- Animal Control trap rental – curbside pickup and returns
- Bell/Whittington Public Library’s curbside service
- Bell/Whittington Public Library’s virtual Summer Reading program
- Community Center – Meet Portland facilities (meeting and events rooms) are open for events
- Community Center – Weight room and cardio room available
- ~~City Hall lobby, Utility Billing & Municipal Court windows are open for in-person services~~
- Fire Department (never closed)
- Garage Sale permits a from Public Works
- Park & Recreation’s Aquatic Center Competition Pool available for lap swim only
- Play Portland Texas facilities for Youth Association practices (Sports Complex & Municipal Park)
- Play Portland Texas facilities for games and tournaments
- Police Department (never closed)
- Public Works lobby & in-person services
- Skate Park
- Splash pads at Municipal Park & the Sports Complex

Facilities planning to reopen & services available in July:

- Park & Recreation’s Aquatic Center plan to have limited recreational swimming beginning July 1
- Parks & Recreation’s Aquatic Center plan to allow limited number of private pool rentals available
- Park & Recreation’s Kidz Klub registration for the 2020-2021 school year planned to begin prior to the beginning of the school year. *Exact date TBD*
- ~~Park & Recreation’s Aquatic Center plan to have limited water aerobics classes available July 1~~
- ~~Community Center – Meet Portland plans to open meeting and event rooms for larger meetings and social gatherings on July 17 at the capacity limit specified in current State and County Executive Orders~~
- ~~Bell/Whittington Public Library expected to partially reopen the library building to guests July 13~~
- ~~Park & Recreation’s Senior Center is anticipated to reopen in late July or August~~
 - ~~Dependent on State and County Executive Orders for at-risk populations~~

Facilities planning to reopen & services available in August, September, & on:

- All remaining facilities and services that have not opened or resumed yet do not have an anticipated reopening date due to the recent increase in COVID-19 cases in our area.

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Public Works

1101 Moore Ave

361-777-4601

Reopened their building on June 1

- Building hours – 8am to 5pm, Monday to Friday

Garage sale permit sales resumed June 15

- NOTE: The availability of garage sales permits is dependent on social gathering and social distancing mandated in State & County Executive Orders

New health safety protocols:

- Must wear a face covering to enter the building – no exceptions
- Only 4 people in the front reception area at a time
 - Installed Social Distancing floor vinyls to ensure visitors maintain 6 feet distance from one another
- Requiring vendors to call ahead to schedule an appointment to visit/meet
- Installed plexiglass partitions around the front desk
- Restrooms will remain closed to the public until further notice

Parks & Recreation

2000 Billy G. Webb Dr.

361-777-4670

Reopened the Community Center on June 15

- Meet Portland room rental hours of operation: 8am to 5pm, Monday to Friday
- Fitness area hours of operation: 8-10am, 11am-1pm, 2-4pm, 5-7pm; Monday to Saturday
 - 25-person capacity per session
 - Reservations available online, by phone, or walk-in
 - Memberships accepted beginning June 29
 - Non-members must pay drop-in fee with credit or debit card only

Reopened the Aquatic Center on June 15 for Lap Swimming & July 1 for Recreational Swimming

- Lap Swimming hours of operation: 7am-10am, Monday to Thursday only
 - 10-person capacity per session
 - Must be a Portland resident & able to show proof of residency
 - Memberships accepted – Call 361-777-4670 to make a reservation
 - Non-members must make a reservation online & pay the drop-in fee
- Recreational Swimming hours of operation: 12-2pm & 3-5pm, Thursday to Saturday only
 - 175-person capacity per session
 - Reservations available for Portland residents only - members and drop-ins
 - Non-resident memberships will remain suspended until further notice

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- Ages 12 and up may utilize the pool without a parent
- Anyone under the age of 12 must have a parent present with them at the facilities
- Offering a limited number of private pool rentals
 - Must make a reservation online - <https://www.portlandtx.com/127/Aquatic-Center>
- No swim lessons or AquaCat Swim Team at the Aquatic Center for the 2020 season

*****Anticipated reopening dates for the Senior Center & in-person Farmers Markets are TBD*****

New health safety protocols:

- Must wear a face covering to enter the Community & Aquatic Centers – no exceptions
 - May remove the face covering once you begin your workout or get into the pools
 - Must put face covering back on upon exiting the pools or exiting the workout areas
- Bathrooms are cleaned every 2 hours and cleaning is documented
- Sanitize high touch surfaces in the facilities frequently
- Signs with required health safety procedures & rules are posted throughout the facilities

Community Center - Meet Portland

Phase 1: Reopened the meeting rooms and event rooms on June 15

- Number of meeting attendees is limited to the maximum capacity specified in the State and County Executive Orders in place at that time

~~Phase 2: Reopen the meeting rooms and event rooms for larger gatherings~~

*****Phase 2 is postponed until further notice*****

Rules for events:

- Must wear a face covering to enter and while in the Community Center – no exceptions
- Conduct rental meeting online with customer when possible
- Must maintain social distance from staff and other guests
- Onsite food preparation is limited to licensed caterers only
- For a full list of rules please visit <https://www.portlandtx.com/126/Parks-Recreation>

Community Center - Gym & Fitness areas

Phase 1: Reopened the weight room and cardio room starting June 15

- Number of guests is limited to the maximum capacity specified in the State and County Executive Orders in place at that time

~~Phase 2: Plan to resume exercise classes with limited attendance starting July 1~~

- ~~• Number of guests will be limited to the maximum capacity specified in the State and County Executive Orders in place at that time~~

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~~Phase 3: Reopening to pre-COVID operations while maintaining social distancing protocols and capacity limits in place from current State and County Executive Orders starting August 15~~

*****Phase 2 & 3 are postponed until further notice*****

Rules for weight room & cardio room:

- Must wear a face covering to enter the Community Center – no exceptions
 - May remove the face covering once you begin your workout
 - Must put face covering back on upon exiting the workout areas
- Reservations are available to resident and non-resident members and drop-ins
 - Reservations can be made online, by phone, or walk-ins
 - Online reservation portal :<https://apm.activecommunities.com/PortlandTXRec>
 - Non-member drop-ins must pay the drop-in fee with debit or credit card only
 - Memberships accepted beginning June 29
- The gym is shut down for 1 hour for disinfecting and cleaning every 2 hours open
 - All guests must complete their exercising within the two hours between cleanings – see hours of operation above
- Guests must come and depart in their workout attire
 - All showers, lockers, and changing areas are closed
- Must bring your own water – other drinks are not permitted in the fitness areas
 - Water fountains in our facility are unavailable
- Every other machine is open to maintain social distance
 - Visit the Parks & Recreation website for daily updates on open machines
- Walking track open, but limited number of users at one time
- Phase 1: No classes, open gym activities, or checking out equipment
 - ~~Phase 2: Expecting to allow exercise classes to resume with limited attendance~~
- Phase 1 & 2: No access to the racquetball courts
- No access to the lockers or showers, but will have access to the restrooms
- For a full list of rules please visit <https://www.portlandtx.com/126/Parks-Recreation>

Rules for indoor courts:

- Open gym activities shall remain closed (Phase 1 & 2)
- Guests may not checkout equipment from the Community Center (Phase 1 & 2)

Aquatic Center

Phase 1: Reopened the Competition Pool for lap swim only on June 15

Phase 2: Resume recreational swimming ~~and water aerobic classes with limited attendance~~ beginning July 2

*****All water aerobic classes are postponed until further notice*****

NOTE: Planning on closing the Competition Pool to be re-plastered in August

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Rules for lap swimming:

- Must wear a face covering to enter the Aquatic Centers – no exceptions
 - May remove the face covering once you get into the pools
 - Must put face covering back on upon exiting the pools
- Portland residents must reserve a 45-minute slot for a Competition Pool lane & pay the drop-in fee online at <https://apm.activecommunities.com/PortlandTXRec> or as a drop-in
 - Must be a Portland resident & able to show proof of residency
 - Note: We are not selling memberships this season
- Must come and depart in swim wear
 - Changing rooms and showers will remain closed
- Bring your own food & drinks - Concession stand will remain closed (No glass containers)
- Swimmers may not linger in common areas
- Must maintain social distance from staff and other swimmers
- Lane sharing will not be permitted – parents cannot share their lane with their children
- Lap swimming is for exercise only

~~Rules for water aerobics:~~

- ~~• Portland residents must reserve a class pass & pay the class fee online at <https://apm.activecommunities.com/PortlandTXRec>
 - ~~○ Must be a Portland resident & able to show proof of residency~~~~
- ~~• Limiting class size to 10 participants~~
- ~~• Must come and depart in swim wear

 - ~~○ Changing rooms and showers will remain closed~~~~
- ~~• Bring your own food & drinks – Concession stand will remain closed (No glass containers)~~
- ~~• Swimmers may not linger in common areas~~
- ~~• Must maintain social distance from staff and other swimmers~~

Rules for recreational swimming:

- Must wear a face covering to enter the Aquatic Centers – no exceptions
 - May remove the face covering once you get into the pools
 - Must put face covering back on upon exiting the pools
- Portland residents must reserve a pass & pay the drop-in fee online at <https://apm.activecommunities.com/PortlandTXRec>
 - Must be a Portland resident & able to show proof of residency
- Must come and depart in swim wear
 - Changing rooms and showers will remain closed
- Ages 12 and up may utilize the pool without a parent
 - Anyone under the age of 12 must have a parent present with them at

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- Bring your own food & drinks - Concession stand will remain closed (No glass containers)
- Only 1 family may enter or exit at a time
- Sit with members of your household only – no more than 10 people sitting together
- Swimmers may not linger in common areas & must maintain social distance at all times
- Port-A-Can restrooms are available onsite for visitors use

For a full list of rules for each facility, please visit www.portlandtx.com/126/Parks-Recreation

Senior Center

Official reopening date is dependent on State and County Executive Orders for at-risk populations. Reopening date is TBD

Rules for Senior Center:

- Maintain social distance - limit seating at tables
- Avoid activities that require interaction
- No large gatherings or day trips until a later date

Farmers Market

Date for resuming the monthly in-person farmers market is TBD

Bell/Whittington Public Library

2400 Memorial Parkway

361-777-4560

Currently offering curbside services (Phase 1)

- See www.portlandtx.com/715/How-to-Curbside-Service for instructions on how to utilize this service

Currently offering a virtual Summer Reading program, as well!

- See www.portlandtx.com/181/Library for more information

Currently not accepting book, movie, music, or other items for donation, at this time.

~~Planning to partially reopen the Library building July 13 (Phase 2)~~

*****Reopening the library building is postponed until further notice*****

New health safety protocols:

- Must wear a face covering while interacting with Library staff – no exceptions
- Must maintain social distance from staff and other visitors
- Installed plexiglass partitions around the front desk
- Restrooms will remain closed to the public until further notice

~~*Rules for Library Services:*~~

- ~~• Only 8 visitors in the building at a time~~

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- ~~Please wear a mask for the safety of your safety and our staffs' safety~~
- ~~Must sanitize hands before and after using fax machines, printers, or computers~~
- ~~No loitering or "hanging out" in the library~~
- ~~Do not cross barriers to find an item to checkout—ask a library staff member to retrieve the item for you~~

Play Portland – Sports Complex, Municipal Park, & Soccer Complex

2000 Billy G. Webb Dr.

361-777-4680

Reopened all fields for Youth Association practices on June 1

Reopened all fields for games and tournaments on June 15

- Hours of operation: 5-10pm Monday to Friday & 8am-10pm, Saturday to Sunday
- Fill out the appropriate rental forms & email the forms to Lucretia.Janek@portlandtx.com

Reopened the splash pads and playgrounds on June 15

- Hours of operation: 8am-8pm, Monday to Sunday

New safety protocols:

- Teams, coaches, and players must bring their own water
 - Water fountains are unavailable
- Teams, coaches, and players must clean and sanitize dugouts before leaving the facility
- Parents and other spectators must pick up their trash and clean the area they were in before leaving the facility
- Bathrooms are cleaned often
- Signs with required Health Safety procedures & Rules are posted throughout the facilities
- Face coverings are highly encouraged for those entering the Play Portland Texas facilities

Rules for field use – practices:

- Enter and exit the facilities through the designated areas only
- No sunflower seeds or unshelled peanuts are allowed in the complexes whatsoever
- Maintain social distance as much as possible in the dugouts, on and off the field
- Avoid sharing equipment
- Parents and other spectators are advised to bring their own chairs for seating
- Family pets are not allowed in the facilities. Only service animals

Rules for field use – games & tournaments:

- All tournament hosts and leagues must turn in their Health Safety Protocols and Procedures to the Sports Department Staff prior to the event
 - See the [Play Portland Texas webpage](#) for our minimum health standards

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- Teams, coaches, and player must bring their own water to the park
 - All water fountains are unavailable & water jugs will not be provided
- Enter & exit the facilities through the designated areas only
- No sunflower seeds or unshelled peanuts are allowed in the complexes whatsoever
- Maintain social distance as much as possible in the dugouts, on and off the field, & at the playground and splash pad
- Avoid sharing equipment
- Parents & other spectators are advised to bring their own chairs for seating
- Parents & other spectators must wait in their vehicle until the previous team and their fans have cleared the area
- No loitering after games
- Family pets are not allowed in the facilities. Only service animals
- Face coverings are highly encouraged when social distancing is not achievable
 - (i.e. in the dugouts or during team huddles)

Portland City Hall – Utilities Billing Department & Municipal Court

1900 Billy G. Webb Dr.

361-777-4500

Reopened the building on June 15

*****Despite the building being closed, our staff are still working and available to help you with any Utility Billing &/or Municipal Court needs*****

- Hours of operation: 8am to 5pm, Monday to Friday
- You can find all forms and information for these services at
<https://www.portlandtx.com/704/Online-Forms-for-Billing-Municipal-Court>

~~New health safety protocols:~~

- ~~• Must wear a face covering to enter and while in City Hall — no exceptions~~
- ~~• Only 5 people in the front reception area at a time~~
 - ~~○ Installed Social Distancing floor vinyls to ensure visitors maintain 6 feet distance~~
- ~~• For meetings with City staff, must call ahead to schedule an appointment to meet~~
- ~~• Installed plexiglass partitions around the Municipal Court and Utility Billing windows~~
- ~~• Encourage visitors to utilize the hand sanitizer we have in the foyer upon entry~~

Portland City Hall – City Council meetings

1900 Billy G. Webb Dr.

361-777-4500

~~Plan to resume open attendance at City Council meetings in July~~

*****In-person City Council meetings are postponed until further notice*****

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- City Council meetings are every 1st & 3rd Tuesday of the month beginning at 7pm
 - City Council meetings are broadcast live on the City's Facebook page (www.facebook.com/CityofPortlandTexas/)
- In the meantime, if you wish to speak on any City Council agenda items, please utilize our online SpeakUp program
 - You can find the SpeakUp resource by visiting www.portlandtx.com/418/Media-Center & clicking on "our SpeakUp site"

~~New health safety protocols:~~

- ~~• Must wear a face covering to enter and while in the Community Center — no exceptions~~
- ~~• Must maintain social distance at all times~~
 - ~~○ Chairs will be spaced out to appropriate distances in the Council chamber~~
 - ~~▪ Please do not move them~~
- ~~• Hand sanitizer is available in the foyer for your use~~
- ~~• No loitering in the facility~~

Contact information

Public Information Officer: 361-777-4582

Public Works: 361-777-4601

Parks & Recreation: 361-777-4670

Aquatic Center: 361-777-4637

Events Center: 361-777-4684

Fitness & Classes: 361-777-4673

Senior Center: 361-643-9431

Youth Services – Kidz Klub: 361-777-4674

Bell/Whittington Public Library: 361-777-4560

Play Portland/Sports Venue Department: 361-777-4680

Portland City Hall: 361-777-4500

You can find all City Staff contact information by visiting www.portlandtx.com/directory.aspx

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