CITY OF PORTSMOUTH



City Manager's Advisory Wednesday, February 17, 2021

WED FEB 17 PEVERLY HILL ROAD PROJECT UPDATE via Zoom at 6:30 pm. For the Zoom registration, click here.

http://files.cityofportsmouth.com/agendas/2021/m isc/MN_PeverlyHillRd.pdf

INTERACTIVE MCINTYRE DESIGNER ROUNTABLE COMMENTS – through

February 25 at 5 pm -- Principle Group hosted a Zoom discussion Feb 11th as a Designers' Roundtable session on the McIntyre Project designs. Principle Group presented the draft designs and local designers (aka "Panelists") critiqued and provided comments. Then the Roundtable offered <u>this Miro</u> **tool** showing all

https://miro.com/app/board/o9J_lWLNZCw=/ (and see instructions on how to view all the designs and add your comments on the virtual whiteboard here: https://www.cityofportsmouth.com/mcintyreproject)

the design sketches for the public to comment. The opportunity to view the design sketches and comment via this tool will stay open until February 25 at 5 pm.

AARP TAX PREPARATION ASSISTANCE February 7 – April 11, 2021

NOTE: AARP Tax Help will be drop-off-only this year.

1. Pick up a tax filing envelope. Please take only one envelope per tax return. Available at:

- Portsmouth Public Library (Monday -Thursday and Saturday, 11 am - 1 pm)
- Portsmouth Senior Activity Center, 125 Cottage St (any time -- envelopes located under the canopy)

2. Return tax package to Senior Activity

Center. Instructions and list of what to bring for the intake interview with the tax counselor are included in

the tax envelope. 125 Cottage Street (COAST Bus #40), Sundays 12 noon - 1 pm. Mondays 10 am to 12 noon.

3. Intake Interview – a tax counselor will contact you for an intake interview.

If you have any questions or need special assistance call AARP's Tax-Aide Volunteer Hotline at 603-205-2646.

IN HONOR OF BLACK HISTORY MONTH --

Henry Louis Gates. Jr., whose highly acclaimed series "The Black Church" is airing now on PBS, was cochair of the Portsmouth African Burying Ground Memorial fund-raising effort and spoke here in 2012. To learn more about the African Burying Ground, <u>click here</u>.

http://www.africanburyinggroundnh.org/story.html

SAGAMORE AVE SEWER EXTENSION PROJECT WORK FEB 22-26

As part of the Sagamore Avenue Sewer Extension Project, borings are needed to collect data about the soils and bedrock in the project area. **Work is scheduled to take place Monday, February 22 through Friday, February 26, 8 am to 3:30 pm, weather permitting.** The work area includes Walker Bungalow Road at the Shaw Road intersection, and sections of Sagamore Avenue and Wentworth House Road. The work will take place on one side of the road, leaving one lane for traffic; but some delays may be expected. For more information on this project, <u>click here</u>. <u>https://www.cityofportsmouth.com/publicworks/sag</u> <u>amore-ave-sewer-extension-project</u>

PLOWABLE SNOW POSSIBLE THIS WEEK --SIGN UP FOR WINTER PARKING BAN NOTICES AND OTHER CITY ALERTS –. These alerts are announced in several different ways:

- CodeRED: anyone can sign up to receive automatic email and text alerts, click here. NOTE: Use this same link to UNSUBSCRIBE. https://public.coderedweb.com/CGE/BFB5C7 52D5A4
- **Snow Phone**: call 766-7669 (SNO-SNOW)
- Channel 22
- **CityofPortsmouth.com shows** a yellow (planned) or red (active) banner when snow parking ban events occur.
- **Twitter**: follow @PortsmouthDPW
- **Public Works Department:** call 427-1530 to use the Click 'n Fix system.

https://www.cityofportsmouth.com/publicwo rks/portsmouth-click-n-fix

• During parking bans, residents should take advantage of City parking lots and reduced rates in the garages. Flat fee: \$3 at Foundry Place and \$5 at the Hanover garage, good until 2 hours after ban ends.

SMALL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CENTER COVID-19 RELIEF RESOURCES, <u>click here.</u>

https://www.sba.gov/fundingprograms/loans/coronavirus-relief-options



COVID-19 VACCINE ADMINISTRATION IN

NEW HAMPSHIRE – As of February 16, NH had received **321,625** doses of vaccine and had vaccinated **216,649.** The dose balance ensures vaccine for those scheduled to receive first or second doses in the current Phase 1A-1B. For the vaccine tracker, by state, click here: <u>https://covid.cdc.gov/covid-data-</u> <u>tracker/#vaccinations</u>

CONTINUED MASK-WEARING AND PHYSICAL DISTANCING IS ESSENTIAL – EVEN IF YOU'VE RECEIVED THE VACCINE

MASK FAQs -- SHOULD YOU WEAR TWO MASKS? WHA IS THE "KNOT & TUCK" IDEA? Click here:

https://www.cityofportsmouth.com/city/covid-19mask-fags

Everyone receiving the first dose now receives a vaccination card that includes a scheduled appointment for Dose 2. All you need to do is show up for Dose 2. If you need to change that appointment, you can do so by calling 2-1-1.

AGE 65+ VACCINATION APPOINTMENT WEBSITE -- Scheduling an appointment online at <u>https://vaccines.nh.gov</u> is the fastest, most efficient way to do so and is highly encouraged. The website is designed to handle 100,000+ people at the same time.

For those unable to schedule an appointment online, the 211 Hotline remains available, 7 days a week, 6 am to 10 pm. That call center is staffed by 300+ people, but high wait times are expected. Those 65+ who do not have Internet access and need assistance can call Brinn Sullivan [603-610-4433] at the Portsmouth Senior Activity Center. Please note that the City is not setting up vaccination appointments. Brinn is simply available to help seniors over the telephone to register on the State website. Brinn is also assisting seniors who need transportation to the local vaccination sites.

REGIONAL COVID-19 DASHBOARD – For the

latest update on local data and trends, click here. https://www.cityofportsmouth.com/sites/default/file s/2021-02/CovidDashboard%20021521.pdf

For DHHS VACCINE FAQs, click here:

https://www.dhhs.nh.gov/dphs/cdcs/covid19/docum ents/vaccination-planning-faq.pdf

PORTSMOUTH VACCINE FAQs from the Mayor's Blue Ribbon Committee on Health and City Health Department, click here. https://www.cityofportsmouth.com/city-

manager/vaccination-faqs

NEW FAQs: "I Had COVID-19, Now What?" https://www.cityofportsmouth.com/health/ after-covid-19-faqs

PERMITS FOR OUTDOOR DINING & DOMES/IGLOOS- APPLICATION PROCESS

NOW OPEN -- City staff started reviewing and renewing applications for the 2021 outdoor dining season as of February 1.

- Those approved for the 2020 season DO NOT need to reapply. They will be contacted directly by the City to renew their licenses for the upcoming season.
- Businesses who were not approved in 2020 and wish to operate an outdoor cafe on public property in 2021 must apply for approval by submitting an application through the City's Viewpoint online permitting portal. https://portsmouthnh.viewpointcloud.com/categ ories/1076/record-types/6431
- Anyone opening a new restaurant, is an existing restaurant that is expanding or adding an outdoor area on private property, or who seeks to place tables, chairs or signage on a public sidewalk with no food or alcohol service, please click here for more information.

https://portsmouthnh.viewpointcloud.com/proje ctTemplate/4

For more information about outdoor café permitting click here.

http://files.cityofportsmouth.com/files/planning/Sta ndardsforUseofPublicRealmandSampleLayout.pdf Once an application is approved, use of public sidewalks is allowed starting March 1.

Approved use of public streets will start April 1, weather permitting. Questions? Planning Department at 610-7216 or planning@cityofportsmouth.com.

STATEWIDE MASK MANDATE EXTENDED THROUGH MARCH 26, 2021

https://www.governor.nh.gov/sites/g/files/ehbemt33 6/files/documents/2020-25.pdf

GOVERNOR'S EMERGENCY ORDER EXTENDED THROUGH MARCH 5, 2021

https://www.governor.nh.gov/sites/g/files/ehbemt33 6/files/2021-02/ex-order-2021-02.pdf

PORTSMOUTH MASK ORDINANCE THROUGH JUNE 30, 2021. For answers to Portsmouth Mask Ordinance Frequently Asked Questions, click here.

https://www.cityofportsmouth.com/sites/default/file s/2020-10/MaskOrdinanceFAQ%202020.10.05.pdf

For Vaccination FAQs click here.

https://www.cityofportsmouth.com/citymanager/vaccination-faqs

For Testing FAQs click here.

https://www.cityofportsmouth.com/city/testingfaqs

For Ventilation FAQs click here.

https://www.cityofportsmouth.com/city/ventilatio n-fags

For Daily Life During the Pandemic FAQs, click here.

https://www.cityofportsmouth.com/city/daily-lifeduring-covid-19-frequently-asked-questions

For "I've Had COVID-19, Now What?" FAQs, click here.

https://www.cityofportsmouth.com/health/aftercovid-19-faqs

For more information, visit City's page on

COVID-19:

https://www.cityofportsmouth.com/city/covid-19information