

Resolution No. 16-2020
Resolution Restricting Public Access to County Offices and Buildings

Whereas, on March 19, 2020, the Jefferson County Commission (Commission) passed Resolution No. 15-2020, COVID-19 Emergency/Disaster Declaration Resolution; and,

Whereas, Mont. Code Ann. § 7-5-2101(2) provides the Commission with the jurisdiction and power to carry out those matters necessary to the full discharge of the chief executive authority of the county government under such limitations and restrictions as are prescribed by law; and,

Whereas, the outbreak of the COVID-19 virus has been identified by numerous public health organizations as the cause of a global pandemic; and,

Whereas, the paramount role of the Commission is to provide for the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of Jefferson County and of Jefferson County employees and officials; and,

Whereas, face-to-face public interaction with Jefferson County employees and officials has the potential to increase the risk of the spread of the COVID-19 virus; and,

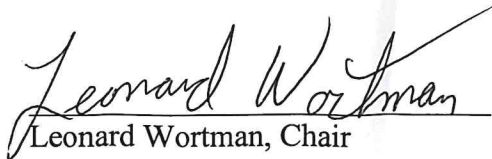
Whereas, the Commission has determined the restriction of public access to Jefferson County offices and buildings is necessary to minimize the risk of exposure to the COVID-19 virus and its spread.

ACCORDINGLY, IT IS RESOLVED, the Commission hereby orders public access to all Jefferson County buildings and offices restricted until further resolution of the Commission.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED, the Commission, Elected Officials, and county department heads and employees will continue to conduct necessary business.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED, the Commission strongly encourages members of the public needing to conduct business with Jefferson County departments and offices to contact the particular office by phone or electronic communication. Email addresses and phone numbers are listed on Jefferson County's website (www.jeffersoncounty-mt.gov). Individual offices and departments will make every effort to accommodate requests for assistance.

Dated this 19th day of March, 2020


Leonard Wortman, Chair


Cory Kirsch, Commissioner


Bob Mullen, Commissioner

Attest:


Bonnie Ramey
Jefferson County Clerk and Recorder

