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CDC Protocols Continue Across City Operations After Second Employee Diagnosed With COVID-19

Bloomington, Ind. - A second employee of the City of Bloomington has tested positive for COVID-19. Upon displaying symptoms consistent with COVID-19, an employee of the Parks and Recreation Department was placed on leave Monday, March 30 and tested for coronavirus, the positive result of which was returned yesterday. The City is implementing all <u>Centers for Disease Control and Prevention</u> (CDC) and <u>Indiana State</u> <u>Department of Health</u> (ISDH) protocols and identifying colleagues with whom the employee may have come into contact in the past week.

The City announced the first confirmed case of COVID-19 among its staff Saturday, March 28, when a firefighter with the Bloomington Fire Department tested positive for coronavirus. The firefighter is expected to receive medical clearance today and return to duty tomorrow.

The City continues to implement multiple protocols and guidelines aligning with best practices from the CDC and the ISDH to protect the health and safety of employees and the greater community. The City's Human Resources Department has apprised all

employees of the options for paid sick leave and expanded family and medical leave available as of April 1 through the new federal <u>Families First Coronavirus Response Act</u>.

The City of Bloomington is committed to sharing information about how its operations and workforce are affected by this public health emergency, and will continue to provide updates about confirmed cases among staff while protecting employees' privacy.

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