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City of Locust Parks & Recreation Department Suspends All Group Gatherings and Athletic Activities Effective March 13, 2020.

The City of Locust continues to monitor the rapidly evolving events related to Coronavirus COVID-19. Following the recent action from the N.C. High School Athletic Association and the Stanly County School system, the City of Locust Parks & Recreation Department will suspend all group gatherings and athletic activities effective 12:00PM on Friday, March 13, 2020 through April 6, 2020 or until further notice.

As of 4:00 PM on March 12, 2020 NC Governor Roy Cooper called for a cancellation or postponement of all gatherings of over 100 people due to the spread of the coronavirus. This will include limiting attendance to all after school extracurricular activities. City staff will continue to monitor the situation, and to communicate with the Stanly County Health Department for further guidelines. Any updates that impact City of Locust operations will be published on our website and social media pages as soon as it becomes available.

All other City of Locust Departments will continue to operate as usual, and City Hall will remain open during regular business hours. We are operating from perspective of caution and calm, but we are prepared to implement further measures if the situation changes. We understand the inconvenience this may cause to students and parents that participate in our group and athletic activities. We ask that you please help us follow these guidelines to lessen the impact in our community. We appreciate your patience and your understanding as we continue to provide Locust residents with the most recent and relevant information.

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