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City of Beloit Employee Tests Positive to COVID-19

May 21, 2020 – A City of Beloit employee has tested positive for COVID-19 and has had no in-person contact with other city employees or the general public. The individual has not been at any city facilities since mid-April.

The individual will remain isolated under the guidance of the public health agency in the employee's county of residence. The City will follow the Centers for Disease Control guidelines before returning this individual to work.

For privacy reasons, the City will not be disclosing additional details about the individual's identity.

The following are just a few of the steps the City of Beloit has taken to protect the health of employees and the public since opening the Emergency Operations Center on March 13, 2020:

- Declared a local public health emergency on March 16, 2020
- Partnered with Beloit Health System for emergency planning, preparedness, and response
- Partnered with Beloit Health System and School District of Beloit to create an alternate care facility should it be required
- Provided On-Demand Transit Services with no denied rides since inception
- Secured necessary PPE and sanitization equipment
- Closed city buildings for face-to-face contact and suspended cash payments
- Operated the election successfully on one of the few drive-thru options in the State
- Modified operations to reduce the number of individuals in close proximity of each other, including providing opportunities for individuals to work from home if they were able
- Required employees to follow guidelines in Wisconsin and Illinois
- Instituted travel restrictions and recommendations for employees as an early precaution
- Converted all public meetings to teleconference

- Collaborated with the Wisconsin National Guard to bring free COVID-19 tests to the Beloit community in partnership with Rock County Public Health, Beloit Health System, and Beloit Area Community Health System
- Implemented requirements to safely reopen the Beloit community

Visit www.beloitwi.gov/covid19 for information about the City of Beloit's reopening requirements.

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