

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE FIRESMART OPEN HOUSE THAT WAS SCHEDULED FOR MARCH 21ST AT 1PM AT THE MYRNA NOYES COMMUNITY HALL HAS BEEN POSTPONED AS PRECAUTION – WE SINCERELY APOLOGISE.

THE COUNCIL MEETING FOR MARCH 19TH WILL GO AHEAD – WE KINDLY REQUEST THAT YOU EMAIL YOUR QUERIES TO SVSANDYB@XPLORNET.CA INSTEAD OF ATTENDING.

Hello Sandy Beach RESIDENTS

While the threat of contracting the COVID-19 virus remains relatively low in Alberta at this time, the virus continues to spread throughout the world and this status can change quickly. Sandy Beach are monitoring the situation closely and would like to confirm taking the necessary precautions to ensure the reliability of our public service for residents and customers.

Sandy Beach's approach is proactive to reducing exposure and helping protect the health and safety of all employees and residents and customers during this time. Currently the following measures are in place:

- ✓ Given that the municipality provides an essential service; the delivery of services to residents is critical and business functions must and will be maintained. All staff and elected officials are kept abreast of hourly and daily developments on the pandemic and particular here in Alberta.
- ✓ Risk mitigation and communication is essential in dealing with the pandemic.
- ✓ Increased coordination efforts on pandemic response planning has been activated through our Incident Commander.
- ✓ **On March 12th, the Alberta Chief Medical Officer of Health issued actions specific to self-isolation, travel and social distancing effective immediately.** Sandy Beach is complying with these actions and has modified its activities and direction accordingly.
- ✓ Sandy Beach are staying in close communication with all stakeholders for any necessary response as well as industry associations for any guidance they may provide specific to our sector.
- ✓ Our geographic diversity is a benefit.
- ✓ Employees who are sick are **to follow guidelines set out by Alberta Health Services.**
- ✓ As a municipality additional measures to ensure safety of our communities are in effect.

This is a fluid situation and any business-critical updates is essential and will be maintained.

Communication of the situation as it progresses will be in effect.

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All Residents please note the following:

Alberta Health Services currently indicates the limited scenario in which workers should not attend work.

The information quoted below is from the following website:

<https://www.alberta.ca/coronavirus-info-for-albertans.aspx#p22780s6>

Alberta public health officials are recommending the following actions as a precaution:

- If employees have visited a Grand Princess Cruise, Iran or China's Hubei province in the last 14 days, it is recommended they isolate themselves until two weeks have passed since that visit. This is recommended even if they are feeling well.
- Employees should self-isolate and call [Health Link 811](#) for additional precautions and follow-up testing if they have travelled to anywhere outside of Canada and experienced any of the following:
 - contact with someone who was suspected or confirmed to have the novel coronavirus
 - were in a health-care facility
 - have symptoms, such as cough or fever

If an employee does not meet the exposure criteria above, they do not need to stay away from work, and do not need any testing or a physician's note to attend work.