

CITY OF GROSSE POINTE MUNICIPAL COURT
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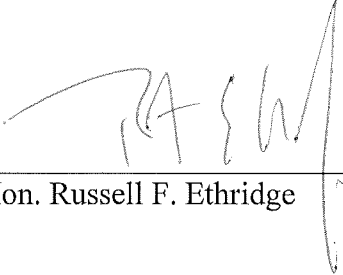
COVID-19 Update from the City of Grosse Pointe Municipal Court

In response to Governor Gretchen Whitmer's declaration of a state of emergency and Supreme Court Chief Justice Bridget McCormack's recommendations for courts, effective Wednesday, March 18, 2020, the City of Grosse Pointe Municipal Court will take the following steps in an effort to limit the exposure to the virus for the public, jurors, litigants, and court staff:

The Court will be closed to the public starting March 18, 2020 and will remain closed until April 13, 2020. At that time, we will reassess any potential changes.

1. All felony non-in custody matters are adjourned to May. All in-custody matters will be handled via the Polycom system (video).
2. All prisoner transport for Court matters is suspended.
3. All scheduled and walk-in arraignments are adjourned. Defendants must contact the Court for a new date.
4. All civil infraction hearings, including traffic, parking, and zoning infractions, are adjourned for a minimum of 30 days. Payments may be made online at <https://www.govpaynow.com/gps/user/cyg/welcome> (pay code 5223), by mail, or at the brown drop box outside of City Hall.
5. To remain accessible to the public and assist with any questions, the Court will have a clerk at the Court, and the Court's phone lines will be open during regular business hours.
6. Misdemeanors - Criminal trials, pre-trials, and sentencing hearings are adjourned unless the defendant is in custody. Bench warrants will not be issued during the emergency.
7. All civil, small claims, and landlord tenant matters are adjourned. New cases will be set for hearing on or after May 7, 2020 except for complaints alleging serious and continuing health hazard under MCL 600.5714(1)(d) which will be scheduled at the soonest available date.

For updated information please consult the Court's website at <https://www.grossepointecity.org>. Online payments for fines may be made on the Court's website. You may also contact the Court at (313) 343-5262. The City Grosse Pointe Municipal Court will adjust this policy as the situation warrants based on advice from health officials and State Government.


3-18-20

Hon. Russell F. Ethridge