



## BUILDING DEPARTMENT COVID-19 TEMPORARY OPERATIONAL CHANGES March 23, 2020

In an effort to follow the recommendations of the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) the City of Barberton Building Department has implemented the following operational changes to reduce the risk of exposure to employees, contractors, and customers. These operational changes are subject to change in conjunction with the continuous modifications of recommendations, orders, and declarations from the Federal Government, State of Ohio, Summit County, and other local entities.

Below is a list of temporary operational changes that have already been or are to be instituted as of today:

- All residential permits, applications, and payments must be submitted to the Finance Department drive through or drop box located at 104 3<sup>rd</sup> St NW. All commercial plans can be dropped off outside of the Municipal Building after prior coordination with Building Department personnel.
- Suspension of all property maintenance and safety inspections except those deemed to contain a life threatening component.
- Unoccupied structure and outdoor inspections will not be impacted
- Indoor Residential and Commercial inspections will be done using a “remote inspection”. Inspections will need to be done via Skype, Zoom, or Facetime for all occupied structures. Please contact the building Department at 330-848-6724 to coordinate remote inspections.

All inspections done by City of Barberton personnel, contractors, and subcontractors are expected to be completed within the guidelines and recommendations of social distancing as outlined by the CDC. These temporary changes are required to minimize potential exposure to COVID-19.

### Questions:

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