Opening Remarks (Mayor Steve Hagerty)

- Halloween is upcoming, the City has distributed some guidelines
- City reserves the right to alter plans depending on impact data for the pandemic numbers
- Public Health is working closely with IDPH on vaccine distribution
- Business closures continue to be a concern for the community
- The City will have another testing event at ETHS on 10/26 and 10/27
- Testing numbers continue to increase
- With the change in weather, there will be concern around managing restaurant dining

Situation Report (Mayor Steve Hagerty)

- The positivity rate in Evanston continues to be 1.29 percent
- The positivity rate for Regional 10 is 4.9 percent
- Hospital admissions have increased. Surge capacity is at 25 percent for medical beds and 32 percent for ICU beds
- The infection rate is 1.03 percent
- The seven day moving average is slightly less than six cases per day
- Currently there are 1,200 confirmed COVID-19 cases in Evanston and 66 residents ill with the virus
- 160 cases per 10K residents in Evanston, Skokie has 240, and Chicago is at 305
- Long Term Care facilities are not reflecting many infections this week; however, two staff members tested positive this week
- Comparative community analysis - the last seven days per 100K residents shows Evanston at 52 cases, Skokie at 70 cases, Chicago at 85 cases, and Cook County at 97 cases

Meeting Spotlight: Update on Additional Aid (Jan Schakowsky, Congresswoman)

- The Heroes Act relief package for businesses and state government has been a work in progress since last May
- The President has contacted the Secretary of the Treasury, and the House Minority Leader to direct action to be taken
- No details for a new package yet or if Republicans in senate will address the issue
- Constituent calls are ongoing around a continued struggle for immediate relief concerning health insurance, rent, and medical prescriptions
- Speaker of the House Nancy Pelosi emphasized addressing crisis and urgency or dealing with the anticipated fall out later (i.e. evictions and new homeless population)
- Waiting to learn details of package
- In the original draft of the packet, Evanston would have potentially received $43 billion because of reduced revenue and ongoing playoffs in many places
• There would be money coming to state and local government for education
• Small businesses would receive another round of PPP (Personal Payroll Protection)
• Airline workers and restaurants are also industries that are suffering and need relief
• The first “ask” was $3 trillion and Republicans countered with $1 trillion
• The outline of the Heroes Act could remain the same and simply reduce the time for which the money would be distributed
• The goal of PPP should be more availability, nonprofits are also included with businesses, and a wide variety of lenders could service funds that were not available in the last round
• The potential available funding break out would be: $57 billion for child care, $221 billion for education ($182 billion for K-12, and $39 billion for higher education)
• Big amount for homeowner and renter relief, originally $100 billion dollars

Sector Updates

Hospitals
• Northshore Evanston Hospital (Doug Silverstein)
  ○ 24 patients with COVID-19 cases was the high for this week
  ○ Today the patient count is back down to 20 patients, with 6 in ICU, and 5 on ventilation
  ○ Testing continues to be busy
  ○ If COVID-19 cases continue to increase, treatment for those patients will take priority
  ○ Positivity rate is 7.5 percent to 8.5 percent due to screening criteria before test are administered

• Amita St. Francis (Danielle Norman)
  ○ 3 COVID-19 positive patients, 14 PUIs, and 2 vented
  ○ The positivity rate is 8 percent

Senior Living (Mary Leary)
• Sub group hasn't met
• No update

Private Non-Profit (Monique Jones)
• Sub group has not met. No update.

Northwestern University (Lou Figeroa)
• Communication about the winter quarter was distributed today. Delaying the winter quarter by one week.
• Testing is going well. So far there have been roughly 7,000 students tested.
• Positivity rate is 2.5 percent
Education (Eric Witherspoon and Devon Horton)
- Continue with outdoor activities for 1,500 students
- While on campus following safety precautions
- Next week is Spirit Week
- Completed parent teacher conference
- Monitoring entire campus
- District 65 has students in three different locations in small numbers
- All staff should certify if they can’t return to campus
- Finalizing bargaining with Union for reopening in November
- Virtual parent/teacher conferences next week

Legislators

Jan Schakowsky’s Office (Ann Limpco)
- Deadline for Economic Impact Payment is 11/21
- October 15 extension for 2019 tax returns
- The IRS is conducting a series of Live Webinars to assist with reaching individuals that have not yet received an Economic Impact Payment and need to use the IRS Non-Filer Tool in order to claim their Payment. There is a flyer for a webinar being conducted Friday, October 9 for community organizations in your area. Please share this information with interested community outreach organizations.
- Additional Information:
  - The webinar is intended for organizations that are helping people register for their Economic Impact Payment. This includes social service organizations, food banks, agencies that help people who are experiencing homelessness, or agencies that help people who are underserved, have low income or no income.
  - This webinar is open to organizations in the Midwest, Rocky Mountains, and Pacific Northwest - specifically, these states: Alaska, Colorado, Iowa, Idaho, Illinois, Kansas, Minnesota, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, North Dakota, Oregon, South Dakota, Utah, Washington, Wisconsin, and Wyoming.
  - You may know of some organizations that would want to attend this event. We encourage you to share this invitation with any organizations that are interested.
  - There is no need to pre-register. The webinar is limited to 100 attendees, so log in early as only the first 100 people to join that day will be able to attend.

Senator Laura Fine’s Office (Shiva)
- Legislators working on health disparities

Robyn Gabel’s Office
- No update

Jennifer Gong-Gershowitz’s Office
- No update
Commissioner Larry Sufferdin’s Office (Adam Newman)
- Mortgage assistance applications will be available from 10/9 to 10/16
- Mail-in voting information is available at the Cook County Clerk’s Office where you can track the status of your ballot

Business (Roger Sosa)
- Launched two small scale programs this week: 1) Application called “Oodles” which will assist promoting minority business specifically restaurants and 2) working with Northwestern students on a program called “BIVI” creating a website to document what businesses are doing to keep environment safety
- Sending survey out today, expected to have results by fall

Recovery (Kimberly Krull)
- In the process of scheduling meetings with the Taskforce members with regard to their status for assistance to the COVID-19 response

Mental Health (Christine Somervill)
- Able to launch mental health awareness message in City’s e-newsletter
- Fine tuning distribution list
- Launching Mental Health survey within next two weeks

Faith-Based (Rev Nabors) (54 mins)
- Continuing to have a few more Houses of Worship opening with small numbers
- Meeting with Dr. Horton to support and recognize the equity work he is doing in the community. There will be 8 to 10 members of clergy present.

Next Meeting: Friday, October 16 at 1:30 p.m.
EIP Awareness Day

FREE event via WebEx

During this webinar you will learn:

- The eligibility requirements for the Economic Impact Payment
- How to use the Non-Filers Tool
- How community groups can take steps to help others register

The last day to register for the Economic Impact Payment is November 21st, so join us for this important information session.

October 9, 2020 (Friday)
- 10:00 am Central time
- 9:00 am Mountain time
- 8:00 am Pacific time

Join via WebEx link:
Join the Meeting

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