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## **City of Charleston March 27 Coronavirus Update**

**Charleston, S.C.**-- The city of Charleston continues to operate at OPCON 1 with the [stay at home ordinance](#) in effect and non-essential businesses closed citywide.

Earlier today, Charleston Mayor John Tecklenburg and Police Chief Luther Reynolds held a press conference to provide an update on the city's continued efforts to flatten the curve of COVID-19 cases. To view video of the press conference on Facebook click here: <https://www.facebook.com/CityCharleston/videos/148373079848031/>.

Tonight, Charleston City Council will vote on an Emergency Ordinance to defer city hospitality taxes. The action would align with Gov. Henry McMaster's tax deferral order of March 17, and provide more than a million dollars of immediate short-term relief to some of the hardest-hit small and locally-owned businesses in Charleston's hospitality sector.

Next week, green garbage bins will continue to be collected on schedule, as collection of yard debris and bulk items such as furniture, appliances, bedding and other large objects remains temporarily suspended. Next week, the city expects to finalize and announce a plan to resume trash pickup while preserving the safety measures now in place.

The city of Charleston Business and Neighborhood Services division today released a website to connect citizens and businesses with local resources: [charleston-sc.gov/covid19resourceelist](http://charleston-sc.gov/covid19resourceelist). It features information on essential resources, business support services, recreation and educational resources as well as ways that citizens and businesses can help others in need.

The city has created a dashboard that shows the latest DHEC test result numbers and features a map of area hospitals and testing sites. The dashboard can be viewed here: <https://maps.arcgis.com/apps/opsdashboard/index.html#/c3ecd3c3231a476390b9f07b82fd2619>.

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