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As you are likely aware, the number of positive COVID-19 cases are increasing significantly in the State of Michigan, Washtenaw County, and Pittsfield Township.

During the initial onset of the pandemic and spike of cases in the spring, local units of government had clear and consistent direction for conducting our operations as a result of the Governor's leadership and executive orders. With the Supreme Court decision to rescind these orders and replace them with a mix of state, county, and local directives combined with the steadily increasing number of infections, there is some ambiguity on how best we, as a local unit of government, can best strike the balance between the uninterrupted provision of services and protecting public health.

As has been the case since 2009 and, pertinent to this issue since March, I want to provide for full transparency of our work. To that end, I want to, first and foremost, reassure you that we are collaborating very closely with Washtenaw County Public Health to implement contact tracing and other measures such as requiring mask use in an effort to control the spread of infections locally.

As our administrative team members stagger work shifts, work remotely, quarantine, or recover from infections, we ask that you please be patient with us. These measures are intended to avoid situations similar to the City of Warren, which had to recently close their entire offices due to an extreme spike of positive COVID-19 cases within their team of administrative staff.

Please be assured that even as we undertake preventative measures to protect public health, our team remains committed to Setting the Gold Standard in Public Service. We have not missed a beat since the onset of the Great Pandemic and we do not intend to do so now. At the same time, I think it is important for you – the residents of Pittsfield Township – to be fully aware of our current situation so you may continue to partner with us.

It is imperative that we convey to you clearly and unambiguously that your Pittsfield Township officials and team members are available to you when you need them. Even though our administrative offices look and feel different because of the Great Pandemic and even though we will likely have to increase social distancing measures over the next few weeks to protect the health of our employees and public, you will always be able to reach a team member to help answer your questions or address your concerns.

Thank you for your continued partnership with Pittsfield Township. It is because of this partnership we have been so successful in establishing an inclusive and vibrant place for you to live, work, and recreate in. Please remember to be patient and kind with yourselves and each other.

Mandy Grewal, Ph.D.
Supervisor
