

THE GREAT LIFE NEWS

City of Gretna's Monthly Newsletter

2020 United States Census

- **Everyone Counts.**

The Census Counts every person living in the United States Once, Only once, and in the right place.

- **Its about Fair Representation.**

Every 10 years, the results of the census are used to reapportion the House of Representatives, determining how many seats each state gets.

- **It's in the Constitution**

The U.S. Constitution mandates that everyone in the country be counted every 10 years. The first census took place in 1790.

- for more info check out our website <http://www.gretnane.org/218/2020-Census>



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**NEBRASKA
COUNTS**

Burn Permits

Burn Permits are available at the main fire station 11175 S. 204th St. on Thursdays from 5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. No appointment is needed to obtain a permit. You may also call 402-332-3336, ext. 1352 and leave a message for someone to call you back regarding a burn permit. You may also email firechief@cityofgretna.com.

GRETNA SIRENS

Gretna has five sirens located around the corporate limits:

North Park baseball field, South Pointe commercial development (near the Beanery),

Leo Royal Park, Nebraska Crossing outlet Mall and City Hall

You will hear the sirens sounds in Gretna for three reasons:

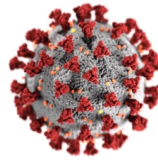
- The sirens are tested on the first Saturday of each month at 10:00 a.m.
- Severe Weather
- Fire and Rescue calls

There are two distinct sounds to the siren, which indicate two very different reasons.

- when you hear a LONG STEADY TONE, you are receiving notification of a SEVERE WEATHER ALERT and you should take immediate cover.
- When you hear REPEATED UP & DOWN TONES, all fire and rescue volunteers are called to the fire station.



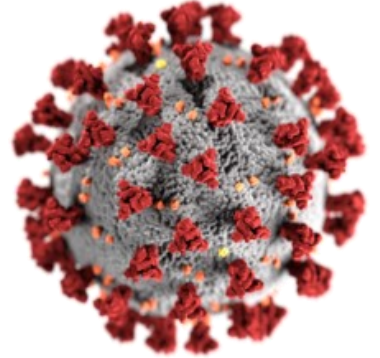
THE CORONAVIRUS



The City of Gretna is concerned about your health and safety during the Coronavirus pandemic. We are providing a couple of links below which will be helpful for almost every situation. The CDC site offers additional links including information on symptoms and what to do if you suspect you have COVID-19. The website also lists steps to prevent the illness and a listing of common questions. We would suggest that you take some time to review these websites and their various links so you are aware of best practices for yourself, family, friends and co-workers.

<https://www.sarpycasshealthdepartment.org/>

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html>



CITY OPERATIONS

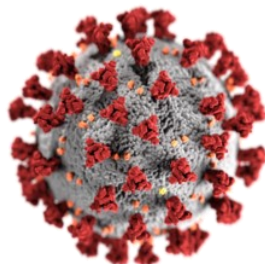
At the time of the publication of this city newsletter, the City of Gretna is taking the following precautions.

- The Public Libraries, City Hall, and the Public Works Facility are closed to customers.
- The City Hall basement facility is closed to all activities and events.
- The park restrooms are closed.

We ask if you have any business to take care of at any of the City facilities, that you try to make arrangements other than coming to the facility. Our phone number is 402-332-3336 and we will work with you to make arrangements.

City utility bills for water and sewer service can be paid in various ways without coming into City Hall. We have a drop-off box near the southwest corner of City Hall. You may also pay on line with a credit card by going to the city's website and go to "ONLINE WATER AND SEWER BILL PAY" or pay through the local Pinnacle bank. Please call 402-332-3336 for more information.

Please keep checking the City of Gretna's website at www.gretnane.org for any updates to the City's operations or follow us on Facebook at /CityofGretnaGovernment/.



DO THE FIVE
Help stop coronavirus

- 1 **HANDS** Wash them often
- 2 **ELBOW** Cough into it
- 3 **FACE** Don't touch it
- 4 **FEET** Stay more than 3ft (1m) apart
- 5 **FEEL** sick? Stay home

Residential Fences

- The finished surface of any fence must face toward adjacent properties and street frontages, except for shadow fences or any fence finished on both sides.
- A fence includes retaining walls over four feet in height. Please note that retaining walls that are 4 ft. or higher in height must have stamped design approval by an engineer.
- All fences must be located inside the boundaries of the property and must be constructed of wood, chain-link, PVC/resin, stone, or masonry materials only and must be maintained in good repair.
- Building permits for fences are required for these Zoning Districts: R-1, R-2, R-3, RE and RE-A.
- Any fence taller than 48 inches cannot extend past the front of the house.
- Fences in the front yard must contain openings constituting no less than 50% of the surface area and must be situated or constructed in such a way as not to obstruct the vehicular traffic or otherwise create a traffic safety hazard (example: chain-link).
- A permit is not necessary for any repair, such as board replacement; but must be obtained if you are moving your fence (digging new holes).
- A Site-plan is necessary showing the proposed placement of the fence, along with measurements.

Fence Height Restrictions:

- Front yard Maximum 4ft. Fence placed on lot line, 50% open
- Rear Yard Maximum 6ft. Fence placed on lot line, any type of acceptable fence
- Side yard Maximum 6ft. Fence placed on lot line, any type of acceptable fence
- Street-Side Yard Maximum 6ft. Fence: set back 15ft. From side yard lot line
- Street side Maximum 4ft. Fence: placed on lot line 30 ft. back from intersecting curb

- The Permit fee is based on linear ft.
- Any questions or additional information needed for a permit call 402-442-3336 Ext. 1209

BEFORE YOU DIG: CALL DIGGERS HOTLINE 1-800-331-5566

OR 811 TO LOCATE BURIED UTILITY LINES



You can FRIEND us at "City of Gretna, Nebraska". You will receive notices on job openings, the City Calendar, and recent notices that we also post on our website.

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Sheriff's Dept.

Non-Emergency: 402-593-4111

Emergencies: 911