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SELECT BUSINESSES TO RE-OPEN FRIDAY, MAY 8TH PER L.A. COUNTY’S ROADMAP TO RECOVERY PLAN

Downey, CA, May 7, 2020:

Today, Governor Newsom and Los Angeles County announced its first steps towards re-opening businesses and getting people back to work.

The following is a list of businesses that are approved to re-open effective Friday, May 8, 2020:

Non-essential business: reopening for curbside pick-up with adherence to distancing and infection control protocols

- Bookstores
- Clothing stores
- Florists
- Music stores
- Sporting goods stores
- Toy stores
- Car dealership showrooms (open for sales with adherence to distancing and infection control protocols)

The re-opening of businesses will occur in stages and require physical distancing and infection control practices. For more information on the stages to re-open, click here.

In addition to the re-opening of select businesses, golf courses will be allowed to re-open in L.A. County, including Downey’s own Rio Hondo Golf Course, which is scheduled to open to the public on Saturday, May 9. The Golf Course will re-open with its regular operating hours, as well as strict operating procedures and guidelines in place, including but not limited to:

- Only groups of 4 or less per tee time will be allowed

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• Physical distancing of 6 feet always required. No group gathering allowed on the course or in the parking lot.
• The public may not enter the facility until 15 minutes before tee time
• No groups or tournaments allowed
• No cash payments. Credit card/debit card only.
• Golfers must leave facility immediately upon completion of round

Downey parks will continue to be open for passive use, such as walking, jogging, and leisure time outdoors for individuals or families. The following park amenities will continue to be closed: playgrounds, tennis courts, basketball courts, volleyball courts, fitness equipment, athletic fields and Skate Park. Please keep in mind that all Downey parks will be closed on Mother’s Day, Sunday, May 10th to help prevent the spread of COVID-19.

The curve has flattened, however the COVID-19 pandemic is still in L.A. County. As L.A. County moves into its first stage of recovery, all residents, business owners and employees must continue to observe and practice all COVID-19 physical distancing requirements.

“We are now slowly entering the recovery phase and are excited for some of our businesses to re-open in our City,” said Mayor Blanca Pacheco. “I strongly urge our business owners to please adhere to the social distancing and infection control protocols set by the County to help prevent the spread of COVID-19.”

Residents are reminded to continue to do their part to slow the spread of COVID-19:

• Wear a face covering whenever you leave home
• Wash hands throughout the day
• Stay six feet away from people who don’t live with you

“As we enter this recovery stage, we remind our residents that COVID-19 is still in our communities and we must do everything we can to continue slowing the spread, together,” said Mayor Pro Tem Claudia M. Frometa.

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