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Planning for Tier 3 Resurgence Mitigation measures

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Julie Milavec <jmilavec@dglibrary.org> To: All Staff <staff@dglibrary.org> Bcc: libraryboard@dglibrary.org Fri, Nov 13, 2020 at 12:46 PM

Hi all,

I know you all have questions and have been getting questions from patrons about what happens next. I want to be as transparent as possible while we plan for the next steps.

Yesterday, the Illinois Department of Public Health issued guidelines advising people to stay home as much as possible, only go out for work or essential business, work from home if possible, and avoid travel and gatherings. The Governor advised the same. The City of Chicago announces the start of a stay at home advisory on Monday, 11/16.

About the same time all that was happening yesterday, I wrote this for the Board packet, to be discussed at the Wednesday, 11/18 Board meeting:

"As things stand today, if Region 8 (DuPage and Kane Counties) comes under Tier 3 Resurgence Mitigations, DGPL would roll back to its Phase 2, Curbside Pickup. As a government body, the library may determine what constitutes its essential functions and continue those functions. With the establishment of contactless curbside service in May, DGPL staff (and our patrons) have the experience and knowledge to safely offer this service as an essential function of the library. Some staff would work in the library to support curbside, record virtual programming, and other functions that cannot be done remotely. The library building's size and cessation of public access would allow this to occur safely, with masks and social distancing required. Options for computer access for our most vulnerable patrons under discussion. Laptop kits for checkout through curbside and/or deployment of one or two workstations for appointment-only public PC use in the Forest Street lobby may be implemented to meet this need."

The management team is scheduled to meet on Tuesday, 11/17, with the Board meeting is on Wednesday 11/18. Both groups are scheduled to discuss this process.

But, as you know, things can change quickly. The Governor will hold a press conference at 2:30pm today. We will have a managers meeting at 3pm to discuss whether or not we need to goto Curbside Only sooner than when Tier 3 mitigations are in place.

So that's where we are. I know it's not the decisive answer you were hoping for. I will update you again following the Governor's briefing and the managers meeting this afternoon.

FTR - the decision to hold today's managers meeting happened while I was writing this email, so that's how quickly things are moving. It's like March 13 all over again.

Stay safe, stay healthy, and be well,

Bcc: Board of Library Trustees

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2 attachments

PA1 COVID 19 Repsonse Plan.pdf

9A2 2020-11-10 COVID-19 Response and Phased Reopening Plan.pdf 117K

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And just to add a bit of levity, because that's what I do: Both occured on Friday the 13th.

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Oh my goodness!! I remember March 13th very well. Only I am missing helping out this time, sorry everyone. What an odd coincidence.

Take care, good luck, and wish I could be there.

Kathy [Quoted text hidden]