Dear Englewood community,

In this time of uncertainty I wanted to take a moment to update you on our local response to this global health emergency with COVID-19.

The City of Englewood, in partnership with the Tri-County Health Department and Arapahoe Office of Emergency Management, continues to monitor the rapidly evolving outbreak and we do so with you, our residents and businesses, in mind.

The City of Englewood has closed government facilities, including the Englewood Recreation Center, Malley Recreation Center, Englewood Public Library and Englewood Civic Center.

City-sponsored events have either been cancelled or postponed in order to prevent the spread of the virus. City Manager Shawn Lewis, along with the City Council, has implemented a work from home policy for nonessential employees in an effort to stem the spread of the virus at a local level. Departments that remain vital to the continuity of our daily lives will operate normally.

Governor Jared Polis has called for the closure of all dine-in restaurants but we remain committed to supporting local businesses and hope you will join me by patronizing one of the many Englewood restaurants offering delivery, takeout or drive-through ordering options. A list of businesses participating in #TimeForTakeout, organized by the Englewood Chamber of Commerce, is available here.

The City of Englewood is also doing its part by committing funds to support local retailers with a business assistance and recovery grant program. The grant is intended to help businesses most impacted by this unprecedented crisis, including bars, restaurants, coffee shops, gyms and places where the public gathers.

We ask that you help protect the most vulnerable members of our population by doing your part to implement best health practices. Wash your hands thoroughly and frequently, avoid touching shared surfaces, cough or sneeze into your sleeve or elbow and avoid going into public, if possible. If you feel you may have been exposed to COVID-19, contact your doctor immediately.

My goal as mayor, and the goal of all of City Council, is to communicate, raise awareness and offer support as we all navigate this uncharted territory. I am confident that you, my Englewood neighbors, will see to it that our community remains a haven of care for one another as we work together for health and economic stability through the most trying times.

Be well,
Mayor Linda Olson