## FAYETTE Press Release

## **BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

## **Fayette County Board of Commissioners Updated Public Meeting Procedures**

Fayette County, Georgia, March 27, 2020 – The Fayette County Board of Commissioners will continue to hold the regularly scheduled board meetings for Thursday, April 9, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. and Tuesday, April 21, 2020 at 2:00 p.m. (The Tuesday meeting was approved at the December 12, 2019 meeting for reasons not related to COVID-19).

In an effort to remain consistent with state and federal guidance and mitigate transmission of COVID-19 virus, the Fayette County Board of Commissioners Office has temporarily updated its Public Meeting procedures as follows:

- Prior to entry of the Public Meeting Room a representative with the Department of Public Health will be on-site to take temperatures. If deemed to have an elevated temperature, visitors will be encouraged to view the meeting via livestream at <a href="https://livestream.com/accounts/4819394">https://livestream.com/accounts/4819394</a> through the county's website or on Comcast channel 23, but out of caution, will not be allowed to enter the Public Meeting room.
- Sheriff's deputy will be onsite to ensure that those at the door maintain six-feet distance and that the seating protocol is adhered.
- The commissioners' seating has been rearranged with three commissioners seated at the dais and the two remaining commissioners being seated at a table placed in front of the dais. All seating has been measured and spaced six-feet apart, in an effort to maintain social distancing regulations.
- The audience and county staff seating has also been arranged six-feet apart. This has substantially limited audience seating.

Once seating capacity is reached, citizens will be encouraged to view the Public Meeting via livestream through the county's website or on Comcast channel 23. Citizens are always encouraged to submit questions, comments, and concerns to:

<u>BoardofCommissioners@fayettecountyga.gov</u>

The goal of the Fayette County Board of Commissioners is for all citizens to remain healthy and safe. We take these precautions to mitigate the spread of COVID-19 from person-to-person, and we encourage all to continue to practice proper hand washing protocols, social distancing, and cleaning and disinfecting surfaces.