

# E-Brief 2020



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*Friday, June 5, 2020*

Good morning, team!





Two local events happened this week in Franklin to memorialize and protest the death of George Floyd and discuss the issue of racism in our Country and community. Both events were peaceful and did not result in any arrests or violence. I was fortunate to speak along with **Police Chief Deb Faulkner** at the prayer vigil at **First Missionary Baptist Church** on Tuesday. About 600 people attended including **Mayor Moore and many Aldermen**. A few hundred people showed up to the Franklin Square Thursday evening, their demonstration was to “End White Silence.” This group was comprised of families and young people. Thank you to our **emergency responders** (especially the Franklin Police Department) for preparing for anything that may have occurred during or after these events. Your planning and organization have been phenomenal. We are very fortunate to live in Franklin, a community that values peace, property and free speech. You can see video of the entire Tuesday night event on the First Missionary Baptist Church Facebook page. There are also a few articles at the following links. *(First three photos courtesy of First Missionary Baptist Church and Community Impact Newspaper)*

<https://communityimpact.com/nashville/franklin-brentwood/people/2020/06/03/franklin-community-leaders-speak-out-against-racism-at-candlelight-vigil/>  
[http://www.williamsonherald.com/communities/national-race-tensions-find-voice-of-peace-during-prayer-vigil-in-downtown-franklin/article\\_4afe4a2c-a54f-11ea-a05a-5392743b1c11.html](http://www.williamsonherald.com/communities/national-race-tensions-find-voice-of-peace-during-prayer-vigil-in-downtown-franklin/article_4afe4a2c-a54f-11ea-a05a-5392743b1c11.html)  
[https://www.williamsonhomepage.com/brentwood/hundreds-gather-for-franklin-prayer-vigil-as-speakers-call-for-end-to-racism/article\\_0acde09c-a54b-11ea-b748-cf56434bfc31.html](https://www.williamsonhomepage.com/brentwood/hundreds-gather-for-franklin-prayer-vigil-as-speakers-call-for-end-to-racism/article_0acde09c-a54b-11ea-b748-cf56434bfc31.html)  
<https://www.tennessean.com/story/news/local/williamson/2020/06/02/prayer-vigil-george-floyd-racism-police-brutality/5307957002/>  
[https://www.williamsonhomepage.com/franklin/end-white-silence-rally-sees-historic-turnout-on-franklin-square/article\\_a0ab8f18-a6e7-11ea-bc92-fb0bb02d463c.html](https://www.williamsonhomepage.com/franklin/end-white-silence-rally-sees-historic-turnout-on-franklin-square/article_a0ab8f18-a6e7-11ea-bc92-fb0bb02d463c.html)  
<https://www.tennessean.com/story/news/local/williamson/2020/06/05/franklin-comes-out-hundreds-end-while-silence-rally/3146436001/>  
[http://www.williamsonherald.com/news/end-white-silence-protest-in-franklin-draws-spirited-crowd-honks-of-support/article\\_afd7325e-a709-11ea-8b6d-4f8c498432a3.html](http://www.williamsonherald.com/news/end-white-silence-protest-in-franklin-draws-spirited-crowd-honks-of-support/article_afd7325e-a709-11ea-8b6d-4f8c498432a3.html)

**The TN Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services recognized Mayor Moore and Find Hope Franklin.** See their Facebook posting for more information: <https://www.facebook.com/TNMentalHealthSubstanceAbuseServices>. From the nomination: "The behavioral health community salutes Mayor Moore for his city-wide initiative, a model for other municipalities. . . . Find Hope Franklin started as a blue ribbon panel to examine issues surrounding students' mental health and suicides at the Natchez Trace Bridge, among other mental health issues. Mayor Moore brought together clinics, hospitals, counseling centers, advocacy agencies, city and county health officials, and others." The website launched earlier than planned so that more citizens could learn about and find help for anxiety, trauma, depression, and suicide ideation during COVID-19. Thank you for your leadership, Mayor Moore!

**Here is nice thank you note for our Street Department:**

*The purpose of my e-mail is to compliment the **Street Department (Storm Water Department)** for a outstanding job. This started back in November of 2019, just moving in we noticed that the storm water runoff stream was flooding our yard and a large concrete slab was being eroded and laying on cables and a large sewer pipe. After making several calls I was directed to Casey Chrisman of that department. He made an on-site inspection and the work was corrected and completed. The Storm water team did a outstanding job on the city property and had the highest respect for my property. Fast forward and a huge tree came down from the easement of the storm water area and I contacted Casey and he got into taking care of it as far as the city responsibility, the rest of tree was my responsibility which I fully understood. This was no normal removal, the entire team got together and made a plan on how to do it without causing any further damage. My wife and I watched for two days the cleanup, removal and repairing of the property due to this situation. I must and need to acknowledge **Casey, Bryan, Joel, Justin and Chris** for such professionalism, hard work, dedication to getting the job done right and the face to face ( social distance) of*

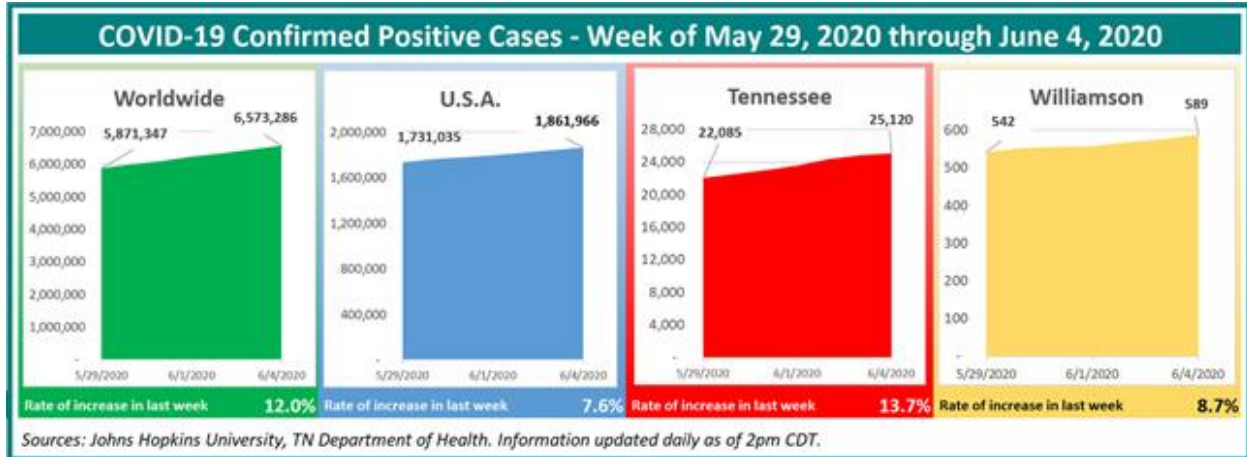
*advising us of what they were doing. They went far beyond what I felt was needed. Thank you for your time and efforts for the City of Franklin. Regards—Jackie and Wayne Wilson*

We have entered **Phase 2 for return to public office operations**. Below is a reminder of the details of this phase of reopening for our public office areas such as City Hall. The City of Franklin protocol to resume onsite operations and the Governors TN Pledge guidelines for office buildings are also attached. Please familiarize yourself with these new procedures. If you have any questions, please check with your supervisor, Department Director, or HR.

- June 3 – Next phase begins
  - City Hall public office areas open 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. – Monday through Friday
  - Appointments can be accepted at other times
  - Staff public areas to accommodate public interaction
  - Remote work can continue and is encouraged as approved by Department Director
  - Consistent rotation of team members is encouraged to lessen exposure and maximize physical distancing in work environment.
- All team members working in City facilities to follow Protocol for Returning to Resume Onsite Operations
  - Review symptom related prior to reporting to work
  - Temperature (touchless) taken daily prior to reporting to work
- Enhanced protection for the public and City team members
  - Enhanced daily cleaning
  - Two City Hall entrances with hand sanitizing stations
  - Employee mask wearing in public spaces/non-private office areas
  - Masks available to the public
  - Plexiglass shields in place for public reception areas
  - Furniture configuration modified to provide for physical distancing
- Limitation on meetings
  - No large group meetings
  - Cleaning immediately following any use of share space (i.e. – conference rooms)
- Policy guidance
  - TN Pledge Office Guidelines (attached)
  - City Resume Onsite Operations Protocol (attached)
  - CDC Guidelines
- Generally, this and future phases to be evaluated in two-week segments

## Coronavirus Update:

As of yesterday, Williamson County positive cases today are 589. Tennessee has 25,120. There have been 11 deaths related to Covid-19 in Williamson County. The dashboard below shows that our County's 7-day case growth rate at 8.7%.



**Human Resources** is having a **re-opening contest**. Snap a pic of what you are doing in your work space to prevent the spread of COVID-19. See attached flier.

That's it for this week. Thanks for *all* you do!



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