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## \*COVID-19 UPDATE\*

Since Friday, July 24, 15 Residents have Tested Positive for COVID-19, and Four More have Recovered;

A Fatality, Previously Classified as not Related to COVID-19, Reclassified, Changing the Number of Framingham Deaths Connected to the Virus to 120; Health Department Distributes Demographic COVID-19 Data; Community Hour Tues: Focused on the Pledge to take Action, Addressing Systemic Racism in our Communities

- Since Friday, July 24, 15 residents have tested positive for COVID-19, four more have recovered, and one fatality, previously classified as not related to COVID-19, reclassified, changing the number of Framingham deaths connected to the virus to 120: The number of people in the City who have tested positive for COVID-19 is 1,791. With 1,576 recovered and 120 fatalities. Framingham currently has 95 active cases. The Framingham Health Department contacts the people who were potentially exposed and the owners of the businesses or places of employment where the potential exposures occurred to inform and counsel them on next steps (contact tracing). In addition to the active cases, the Health Department is following 14 residents in quarantine.
- The City's Department of Public Health distributes demographic COVID-19 data every Monday on all confirmed Cases in Framingham since March 1, 2020: Data includes information about confirmed cases by age, gender, race/ethnicity, fatalities, nursing homes, and residential settings. Reference today's data release <u>here.</u>
- Community Hour Tuesday, July 28, at 5 p.m., focused on the pledge to take action, addressing systemic racism in our communities: Mayor Yvonne M. Spicer will be joined by the <u>Newton Mayor Ruthanne Fuller</u>, <u>Arlington Town Manager Adam Chapdelaine</u> and <u>Ashland Town Manager Michael Herbert</u> to discuss what the communities are doing to address systemic racism. All past Community Hours, including those on racism, can be found <u>here</u>. Resources for Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion can be found <u>here</u>. Attendees will be able to pose questions/comments during the hour via the chat function. The Community Hour will be broadcast on the <u>Framingham Government Channel</u>, available on Comcast 99, RCN 13/HD613, and Verizon 42. If people cannot attend and have questions, please email <u>kmcfalls@framinghamma.gov</u> with the subject line: July 28 Community Hour. Click <u>here</u> for information on how to join. Zoom information is forthcoming. A video recording of the Zoom will be available following for those who cannot attend.