



**City of Wylie**  
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**PRESS RELEASE**

## **Wylie Mayor Signs Declaration of Disaster**

**Wylie, Texas, March 17, 2020** – Wylie Mayor Eric Hogue signed a declaration of disaster on March 16, 2020, to ensure the City of Wylie has the resources and support needed to respond to the Coronavirus outbreak.

Mayor Hogue noted that COVID-19, commonly referred to as Coronavirus, is a health emergency that requires changes to City operations in order to help contain the spread of the virus within our community. The following changes went into effect at 5 p.m. March 16:

- The City of Wylie will activate the Emergency Operations Center and will operate during normal business hours.
- All Parks and Recreation facilities are closed through March 22, at which time the closure will be reassessed.
- The Library is closed through March 22, at which time the closure will be reassessed.
- All City Board the Commission meetings, with the exception of Wylie City Council, Planning and Zoning, and any other meeting required by law, may postpone their normal meetings.
- All youth sports leagues will be suspended through March 22 for practice and play, at which time the closure will be reassessed.
- All citizens are encouraged to watch City Council meetings online and submit comments of public interest and on agenda items by going to [WylieTexas.gov/boards](http://WylieTexas.gov/boards) and completing the Citizen Comment form.

To read the declaration in its entirety and for Coronavirus updates, visit [WylieTexas.gov](http://WylieTexas.gov).

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About Wylie Fire Rescue – Incorporated in 1887, the City of Wylie is located just 24 miles from downtown Dallas in Collin, Dallas and Rockwall counties. Possessing an outstanding school district, a low crime rate, and an expanding business climate, Wylie (population 48,000) is one of the fastest-growing communities in the State of Texas with a 220-percent increase since 2000. Wylie Fire Rescue is one of only 13 departments in the state and 56 in the country with the top Public Protection Classification, ISO-1, given by the Insurance Services Office. The PPC rating is used to measure the quality and effectiveness of fire protection in a community.

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