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City of Wharton Closures Due to Severe Weather

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The City of Wharton's City Hall and Municipal Court will be closed Monday, February 15th, 2021 due to inclement weather. Waste Corporation of America (WCA) has suspended their services for Monday, February 15th, 2021 as well. Further closures will be determined as needed.

We are forecast to receive freezing rain, sleet, snow or a combination of the three starting today into Tuesday. Please prepare now for continued inclement weather, including extreme cold temperatures by making sure People, Pets, Pipes and Plants are protected.

Additional Safeguards:

- Avoid going outside if it is not necessary. If you do, make sure you layer up from head to toe.
- Pets, like humans, are vulnerable to cold temperatures. If not taken care of properly, they can succumb to frostbite and even hypothermia.
- Make sure to cover all your exposed pipes with a cover. You can also cover your pipes with towels, duct tape or another adhesive strap, as long as they are wrapped tightly.
- When cold weather hits, it's a good idea to bring in all of your outdoor plants. If you can't bring in the plant, cover it with a blanket to make sure they do not die.

The City of Wharton will continue to monitor the storm for the safety of all citizens. Please stay informed by tuning into local radio, local television stations and by liking the Wharton Police Department, City of Wharton – Community Development Department and/or the City of Wharton OEM's Facebook pages.

Also, if you or someone you know has not signed up for the emergency alert system to keep you better informed of emergency situations, city related issues and notifications, do it today. The signup for the system can be found on the City of Wharton website at <u>www.cityofwharton.com</u> by clicking the Sign Up For Smart911 button.