

MUNICIPAL COURT, Gunnison, Colorado 201 W. Virginia Avenue Gunnison, CO 81230	↑ COURT USE ONLY ↑
	Case Number(s):
STANDING ORDER CONCERNING COURT OPERATIONS UNDER COVID-19 ADVISORIES	

In light of the public health risk posed by COVID-19 (the "Coronavirus") and the advisories and information circulated by the Center for Disease Control, the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (Order 20-23), the Colorado Supreme Court, the 7th Judicial District (Chief Judge Administrative Order 2020-03), and local public health departments recommending active steps to slow the spread of the disease and precautions to reduce the risk of exposure, effective immediately the Gunnison Municipal Court orders the following:

1. Court schedule. All non-trial, non-emergency hearings prior to April 30, 2020 shall be continued as set forth below. Trials shall be held as currently scheduled. All rescheduled hearings shall be set at the same time as they were originally scheduled. No jury trials shall be scheduled prior to June 15, 2020. The March and April 2020 court schedule is modified as follows:

The hearings scheduled on March 25, 2020, April 8, 2020, and April 22, 2020 shall be continued to May 6, 2020 at 2:00 p.m.
2. The Clerks office will be open for telephonic communications. The phone number for the Gunnison Municipal Court is (970) 641-8170.
3. When hearings are conducted, the Court shall endeavor to limit in person participation and encourage and accommodate telephone and/or video appearances for all participants to the extent possible. Social distancing of at least ten feet shall be followed to the extent possible. The Court shall endeavor to limit the number of people in the courtroom to no more than ten at a time. Until further order of the Court, the only persons allowed in the courtroom, are the Court staff, defendants, witnesses, law enforcement, victims, attorneys and their staff.

4. To the extent possible, the Court will endeavor to comport with the guidance and prohibitions set by Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (Order 20-23), the Colorado Supreme Court, and the 7th Judicial District (Chief Judge Administrative Order 2020-03),
5. Any person who has been diagnosed with Covid-19 (without a subsequent virus free evaluation); persons at high risk, based upon their age, health history, etc.; and any persons showing signs of illness coughing, sneezing, fever, headache, etc.) are required to contact the Court at the phone number set forth above to reschedule their hearings. Do not come to the Court if you meet any of these criteria. Call the Court instead.
6. If at any time the Court or its staff observe a person in the courtroom displaying any signs of illness, be it sneezing, runny nose, coughing etc., flushed appearance, etc. such person, at the Court's discretion, may be ordered to leave the municipal building and contact the Court Administrator on the telephone to reschedule their hearing.

Due to the dynamic nature of the Covid-19 pandemic, this order is subject to change as deemed necessary and appropriate to protect the safety and wellbeing of the Gunnison community.

Dated this 22nd day of March, 2020.



BY THE COURT:


Municipal Court Judge