

# Coronavirus (COVID-19)

## State of Emergency

On March 13, 2020, President Trump issued a [Proclamation on Declaring a National Emergency Concerning the Novel Coronavirus Disease \(COVID-19\) Outbreak](#).

On March 14, 2020, Chief Justice Melton issued an [Order Declaring Statewide Judicial Emergency](#) and Governor Kemp issued a [Declaration of Public Health State of Emergency](#).

The Governor's Declaration was ratified by the Georgia General Assembly through [House Resolution 4EX \(HR 4X\)](#) on March 16, 2020. The state of emergency is effective for 30 days, at which time it may be renewed, if necessary.

1. In general, a state of emergency is a declaration by the government that suspends normal governmental functions, alerts citizens to change their normal behaviors, or begins implementation of emergency preparedness plans in certain geographic regions

The Town of Alto cares about the health of all residents, town employees, visitors and those who work in Alto. Due to the guidance from CDC, the Town has closed the lobbies of the Municipal Complex and the Police Department. The Alto Municipal Complex and Alto Police Department will be closed to the public until further notice except for employees or officials. You can continue to make your water, ticket or other payments:

1. By cash, check or money order mailed to: Town of Alto, P.O. Box 215, Alto, GA 30510 or put in night drop located at the Municipal Complex (186 Wade Street) at the beginning of the handicapped access ramp.
2. By credit / debit card by calling: 706-778-8035 or on the Town website: [www.townofaltoga.org](http://www.townofaltoga.org), click "online payments", click "one-time payment only". To pay a ticket, go to [www.ezcourtpay.com](http://www.ezcourtpay.com) or call 706-778-8028 for help.

If you have questions or concerns that are not answered here, please reach out to the Town by calling 706-778-8035 or the PD by calling 706-778-8028. Email: [altocityhall@windstream.net](mailto:altocityhall@windstream.net) or [altopd@windstream.net](mailto:altopd@windstream.net).

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