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Wisconsin Supreme Court Ruling

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There is understandably a lot of confusion surrounding the recent Wisconsin Supreme Court ruling, vacating the state's Safer at Home order.

As your mayor, I am in constant communication with the Marathon County Health Department and the Marathon County Health Officer to determine our steps forward as a region. We expect more guidance from the state today and we will be unified in our approach.

The reason I must rely on the Marathon County Health Department for guidance is because statutorily, I don't have the authority to issue those health orders. Those orders must come from the Marathon County Health Department.

Just because the Safer at Home order is over doesn't mean the virus is gone. That's why it is **essential** that you continue to protect yourself and others by practicing social distancing, handwashing thoroughly and regularly, and wearing a mask when appropriate. Continue to use the CDC for guidelines: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html>

With guidance from state health officials, the WEDC offered these guidelines to businesses that will help keep employees and customers safe. Here are those guidelines: <https://wedc.org/reopen-guidelines/>

Wausau City Hall is still closed to the public. We are limiting access to ensure the safety of city employees and residents. Wausau Metro is still following health guidelines to protect drivers and passengers by not collecting fares, using the back doors on the busses when appropriate, and limiting riders. We will announce reopening procedures in the coming weeks when I determine it's safe and appropriate to do so.

Please continue to keep yourself, your families, and your neighbors safe.