City of Carroll Rental Housing Inspections COVID-19 Safety Procedures

During the current COVID-19 environment certain safety measures will need to be taken for rental housing inspections. The City has looked to other communities in Iowa who have rental housing inspections and have or are looking to reestablish rental housing inspections in their communities.

The following practices will be used by City for all rental housing inspections when there have been any new cases of COVID-19 in the past 14 days in Carroll County:

Facial protection:

• The rental housing inspector will offer to wear a mask when arriving for an inspection. If a mask is requested to be worn by the rental housing inspector, then a facial mask covering the mouth and nose is required to be worn by the rental housing inspector and all parties attending the inspection while indoors. Owners, building managers, and tenants attending the inspections will be required to have their own masks.

Disposable gloves or hand sanitizer:

• Rental housing inspector shall use hand sanitizer before and after each dwelling unit that is inspected.

Tenant health verification will be completed before the inspection begins and shall verify:

- If an individual tenant has a documented medical condition the City will suspend required inspections when local case counts warrant.
- No one with a fever within the last 14 days is residing in the residence.
- No one knowingly in contact with someone with COVID-19 in the last 14 days.
- No one presently having other flu-like symptoms in the residence.

In the interest of public health, the City may suspend certain rental housing inspection activities if the situation warrants.