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Pittsylvania County Will Livestream Budget Public Hearing

CHATHAM, VA – With COVID-19 concerns regarding social distancing and less-than-10 gathering limits imposed by Gov. Northam, Pittsylvania County will livestream, via Facebook Live, its Thursday, March 26, public hearing on the FY2021 budget. The budget public hearing will begin at 7p.m. at the Pittsylvania County Community Center located at 115 South Main St. in Chatham. Citizens wishing to watch the livestream of the meeting should visit the county's Facebook page at 7p.m., www.facebook.com/pittsylvaniacountyva. Those unable to view the livestream can visit the county's Facebook page any time after the meeting to view the recording.

For those unable to livestream or not comfortable with attending the meeting, other accommodations have also been made by the county to ensure every citizen has a voice in the budget process. Those special accommodations include accepting written comments emailed to budget@pittgov.org or mailed to P.O. Box 426, Chatham, Virginia, 24531 or phoned in comments prior to the meeting by calling 434-432-1987.

"Recognizing the importance of public comment and transparency with regards to our county budget process, we are happy to be able to livestream this important meeting for county citizens," David M. Smitherman, County Administrator. "This technology allows us to bring the meeting to the citizen in the safety of their home."

Regular April 2020 meetings of the Board of Supervisors and Planning Commission will continue to be held as scheduled at the Pittsylvania County Community Center. This facility can accommodate the gathering and social distancing requirements required by the Governor. Out of an abundance of caution, additional sanitation measures for public meetings will continue to be a focus.

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