

# COVID-19 Update



CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING — APRIL 28, 2020

JOINT MEETING WITH BEXAR COUNTY COMMISSIONER'S COURT

# Governor's Executive Order 18: Reopening of Services

- Maintains framework of essential activity and businesses
- Phase 1 to begin May 1
- Gathering still limited to household (except for essential or reopened services)
- Essential Services remain the same
- Some Non-Essential businesses now in category of “Reopened Services”

# Reopened Services

- Businesses may reopen with 25% occupancy restriction:
  - *dine-in restaurants, retail stores, movie theaters, restaurants, malls (food courts, play areas still closed), museums and libraries*
- Not a requirement to open
- Businesses may independently require face coverings for customers
- Public facilities determined by local government
- Sole practitioners
- Golf courses

# Closed Businesses

- Bars
- Gyms / Public swimming pools
- Interactive amusement venues such as bowling alleys and video arcades
- Massage establishments / Tattoo studios / Piercing studios
- Cosmetology salons / Barbershops

# Governor's Executive Order 18

- Prohibition continues on visiting of nursing homes
  - Minimize the movement of staff between facilities
- Governor discretion to impose restrictions in a county if a spike occurs
- Highly encourages the use of face coverings
  - Prohibits local entities from imposing a civil or criminal penalty for failure to wear a face covering
  - Order 18 supersedes only to the extent a local order conflicts

# The Governor's Report to Open Texas

- Long-Term Care COVID-19 Mitigation Plan
- Testing in Texas
- Guidance issued
  - For all individuals/Individuals over 65
- Health protocols for
  - Individuals, Employers and Employees,
- Business Sectors
  - Retail, Restaurant, Movie Theaters, Museums, Libraries, Outdoor Sports, Houses of Worship, Single Person Office

# Updated Houses of Worship Guidance

- Should conduct as many activities as possible remotely
- Should follow CDC guidance
- Prior guidance regarding in-person worship, plus the following:
  - Designating an area or service for at-risk population attendees only
  - Alternating rows between attendees (every other row left empty)
  - Screening employees and volunteers
  - Do not allow employees or volunteers with symptoms to work unless cleared
  - Cloth face coverings

# Governor's Press Conference

- Stated that outdoor sports were allowed with up to 4 participants
- Child care
  - Available for essential workers
  - Still deliberating how best to proceed for nonessential workers
  - Still deliberating how best to proceed with summer camps
    - Indicated that Phase 2 of his reopening plan would begin on May 18 **IF** health indicators supported further opening
    - **This would include expanded types of businesses (i.e. cosmetology salons) and may increase occupancy to 50%**



# Executive Order 19

## **EO 19**

- As of May 1, licensed health care professionals may practice in accordance with their respective licensing agencies
- Each dictate minimum standards for safe practice during COVID-19
- Hospitals must reserve at least 15 percent capacity for treatment of COVID-19 patients

# Executive Order 20

## **EO 20**

- No quarantine requirements for travelers from the State of Louisiana
- Air travelers from a point of origin or point of last departure from the following states or cities must register with DPS and quarantine for 14 days
- States of California, Connecticut, New York, New Jersey, Washington
- Cities of Atlanta, Chicago, Detroit, Miami