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## Ad Hoc Committee on COVID-19 Human and Social Recovery and Assistance

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The Ad Hoc Committee on COVID-19 Human and Social Recovery and Assistance meeting will be held by videoconference. The meeting will be broadcast live on Spectrum Cable Channel 95 and online at [bit.ly/cityofdallastv](http://bit.ly/cityofdallastv).

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## **2020 CITY COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS**

<b>COUNCIL COMMITTEE</b>	
<b>ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT</b> Atkins (C), Blewett (VC), Gates, McGough, Narvaez, Resendez, West	<b>ENVIRONMENT AND SUSTAINABILITY</b> Narvaez (C), Atkins (VC), Blackmon, Blewett, Gates
<b>GOVERNMENT PERFORMANCE AND FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT</b> Gates (C), Mendelsohn (VC), Arnold, Bazaldua, Kleinman, Narvaez, Thomas	<b>HOUSING AND HOMELESSNESS SOLUTIONS</b> West (C), Thomas (VC), Arnold, Blackmon, Kleinman, Mendelsohn, Resendez
<b>PUBLIC SAFETY</b> McGough (C), Arnold (VC), Bazaldua, Blewett, Medrano, Mendelsohn, Thomas	<b>QUALITY OF LIFE, ARTS, AND CULTURE</b> Arnold (C), Gates (VC), Atkins, Narvaez, West
<b>TRANSPORTATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE</b> Kleinman (C), Medrano, (VC), Atkins, Bazaldua, Blewett, McGough, West	<b>WORKFORCE, EDUCATION, AND EQUITY</b> Thomas (C), Resendez (VC), Blackmon, Kleinman, Medrano
<b>AD HOC JUDICIAL NOMINATING COMMITTEE</b> McGough (C), Blewett, Mendelsohn, Narvaez, West	<b>AD HOC LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS</b> Johnson (C), Blackmon (VC), Atkins, Gates, Mendelsohn
<b>AD HOC COMMITTEE ON COVID-19 ECONOMIC RECOVERY AND ASSISTANCE</b> Thomas (C), Blackmon, Atkins, Bazaldua, Kleinman, Medrano, West	<b>AD HOC COMMITTEE ON COVID-19 HUMAN AND SOCIAL RECOVERY AND ASSISTANCE</b> McGough (C), Mendelsohn, Arnold, Blewett, Gates, Narvaez, Resendez

(C) – Chair, (VC) – Vice Chair

### **Handgun Prohibition Notice for Meetings of Governmental Entities**

"Pursuant to Section [30.06](#), Penal Code (trespass by license holder with a concealed handgun), a person licensed under Subchapter H, Chapter 411, Government Code (handgun licensing law), may not enter this property with a concealed handgun."

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Note: A quorum of the Dallas City Council may attend this Council Committee meeting.

**Call to Order****MINUTES**

- A. [20-976](#) Approval of the May 7, 2020 Minutes

**Attachments:** [Minutes](#)

**BRIEFING ITEMS**

- B. [20-977](#) Monitoring and Enforcement of Current City Emergency Regulations and Executive and County Orders, Specifically Focusing on Strategic Partnership with the County and Other Legal Enforcement Entities as it Relates to Budget Impacts  
[Jon Fortune, Assistant City Manager; Chris Caso, City Attorney]

**Attachments:** [Attachment](#)

- C. [20-978](#) Specifics on the City of Dallas Furlough  
[T.C. Broadnax, City Manager]

**Attachments:** [Attachment](#)

- D. [20-979](#) Plans and Strategies for Re-Opening Dallas Parks, Recreation Centers, and Aquatic Centers  
[John Jenkins, Director, Park and Recreation]

**Attachments:** [Attachment](#)

- E. [20-980](#) Latest from ISDs in the City of Dallas on Plans for Senior Graduation Ceremonies and School Re-Openings in fall 2020  
[ISD Representatives]

- F. [20-981](#) Understanding COVID-19 in Dallas Through Data Modeling  
[Dr. Timothy Bray, The Institute for Urban Policy Research, University of Texas at Dallas]

- G. [20-982](#) Focus Area Reports from Committee Members:  
*Supplemental to Written Reports Distributed to Committee by May 13, 2020. City Staff Available to Answer Questions and Provide Additional Updates.*
- a. Housing and Homelessness; Technology  
[CM Cara Mendelsohn; Kevin Oden, Interim Director, Office of Homeless Solutions; Laila Alequresh, Chief Innovation Officer]
  - b. Healthcare System, Hospital System; Family and Domestic Violence  
[CM Jennifer Gates; Jon Fortune, Assistant City Manager]
  - c. Community Coordination and Neighborhood Needs  
[CM Carolyn King Arnold; Peer Chacko, Director, Department of Planning and Urban Design]
  - d. Senior Services and Elder Care Facilities  
[CM Omar Narvaez; Jessica Galleshaw, Director, Office of Community Care]
  - e. Transportation & Aviation; Arts & Parks  
[CM David Blewett; Michael Rogers, Director, Department of Transportation]
  - f. Education and Youth Services  
[CM Jaime Resendez; Jessica Galleshaw, Director, Office of Community Care]
  - g. Public Safety & First Responders, Compliance, Philanthropic Coordination  
[Chair Adam McGough; Carl Simpson, Director, Code Compliance Services; U. Renée Hall, Chief of Police, Dallas Police Department; John Jenkins, Director, Park and Recreation]
- H. [20-984](#) Outline Ad Hoc Committee's Strategic Next Steps

**ADJOURNMENT**

**EXECUTIVE SESSION NOTICE**

A closed executive session may be held if the discussion of any of the above agenda items concerns one of the following:

1. seeking the advice of its attorney about pending or contemplated litigation, settlement offers, or any matter in which the duty of the attorney to the City Council under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with the Texas Open Meetings Act. [Tex. Govt. Code §551.071]
2. deliberating the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property if deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the position of the city in negotiations with a third person. [Tex. Govt. Code §551.072]
3. deliberating a negotiated contract for a prospective gift or donation to the city if deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the position of the city in negotiations with a third person. [Tex. Govt. Code §551.073]
4. deliberating the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee; or to hear a complaint or charge against an officer or employee unless the officer or employee who is the subject of the deliberation or hearing requests a public hearing. [Tex. Govt. Code §551.074]
5. deliberating the deployment, or specific occasions for implementation, of security personnel or devices. [Tex. Govt. Code §551.076]
6. discussing or deliberating commercial or financial information that the city has received from a business prospect that the city seeks to have locate, stay or expand in or near the city and with which the city is conducting economic development negotiations; or deliberating the offer of a financial or other incentive to a business prospect. [Tex Govt. Code §551.087]
7. deliberating security assessments or deployments relating to information resources technology, network security information, or the deployment or specific occasions for implementations of security personnel, critical infrastructure, or security devices. [Tex Govt. Code §551.089]



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Approval of the May 7, 2020 Minutes

# Ad Hoc Committee on COVID-19 Human and Social Recovery and Assistance Meeting Record

The Ad Hoc Committee on COVID-19 Human and Social Recovery and Assistance meetings are recorded.  
Agenda materials are available online at [www.dallascityhall.com](http://www.dallascityhall.com). Recordings may be reviewed online at <https://dallastx.swagit.com/city-council>  
**Note: This meeting was conducted via teleconference to comply with a social distancing mandate during a declared state of disaster.**

**Meeting Date:** May 7, 2020

**Convened:** 1:02 p.m.

**Adjourned:** 4:23 p.m.

**Committee Members Present:**

DMPT Adam McGough, Chair  
CM Cara Mendelsohn  
CM Jennifer Gates  
CM Carolyn King Arnold  
CM Omar Narvaez  
CM David Blewett  
CM Jaime Resendez

**Committee Members Absent:**

N/A

**Presenters:**

John Wiley Price, Dallas County Commissioner District 3  
U. Renée Hall, Chief of Police, Dallas Police Department  
Lonzo Anderson, Assistant Chief of Police, Dallas Police Department  
Jon Fortune, Assistant City Manager  
Chris Caso, City Attorney  
Jill Haning, Executive Assistant City Attorney and Chief of Community Prosecution, City Attorney's Office  
Carl Simpson, Director, Code Compliance Services  
Kevin Oden, Interim Director, Office of Homeless Solutions  
Dr. Timothy Bray, The Institute for Urban Policy Research, University of Texas at Dallas

**Other Council Members Present:**

CM Casey Thomas

## **AGENDA**

Call to Order (1:02 p.m.)

**1. Approval of the April 30, 2020 Meeting Minutes**

**Presenter(s):** Chair Adam McGough

**Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):** A motion was made to approve the minutes for the April 30, 2020 Ad Hoc Committee on COVID-19 Human and Social Recovery and Assistance meeting.

Motion made by: CM Cara Mendelsohn  
Item passed unanimously: X  
Item failed unanimously:

Motion seconded by: CM Omar Narvaez  
Item passed on a divided vote:  
Item failed on a divided vote:

## **BRIEFING ITEMS**

**2. Report from Commissioner John Wiley Price on Alternative Legal Enforcement Tools Regarding Minor Offenses During COVID**

**Presenter(s):** John Wiley Price, Dallas County Commissioner District 3; U. Renée Hall, Chief of Police, Dallas Police Department; Lonzo Anderson, Assistant Chief of Police, Dallas Police Department

**Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):** Commissioner Price and Chief Hall discussed Dallas County Jail 2017-2020 book-ins for Class A or B misdemeanors and the City's cite and release policy. Committee members asked questions and made comments regarding marijuana and trespassing offenses, requirements for cite and release, fingerprinting, the City's cite and release ordinance, State law requirements for cite and release, mental health services, and more. Information only.

### 3. **Monitoring and Enforcement of Current City Emergency Regulations and Executive and County Orders**

**Presenter(s):** Jon Fortune, Assistant City Manager; Chris Caso, City Attorney; Jill Haning, Executive Assistant City Attorney and Chief of Community Prosecution, City Attorney's Office; Carl Simpson, Director, Code Compliance Services

**Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):** Assistant City Manager Fortune provided an update on the City's coordinated efforts to monitor and enforce the City and County's emergency orders. Ms. Haning provided an update on involuntary compliance with emergency orders and recapped the Salon A La Mode case. Ms. Haning also stated that the City is coordinating with other County and State enforcement agencies to enforce the orders. CM Mendelsohn requested Director Simpson to provide information on the number of restaurant inspections conducted by Code Compliance Services. CM Arnold asked for clarification on the Governor's enforcement of emergency orders and its impact on federal reimbursements for COVID-related expenses, and Code Compliance Services' plan to address code issues in neighborhoods. CM Blewett asked for clarification on the enforcement of the emergency orders, ticketing, and the City's coordination with other enforcement agencies. Information only.

### 4. **Discussion on Rapid Rehousing Strategy**

**Presenter(s):** Kevin Oden, Interim Director, Office of Homeless Solutions

**Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):** Director Oden presented status updates on the Office of Homeless Solutions' Rapid Rehousing project and emergency shelter funding program. Committee members asked questions about the housing priority list, shelter placements, housing leads, emergency shelter funding, day services, the budget for the Rapid Rehousing project, case management, and more. CM Mendelsohn requested information on how many placements shelters have been made and CM Thomas requested a copy of the housing priority list. Information only.

### 5. **Focus Area Reports from Committee Members**

**Presenter(s):** CM Jennifer Gates; Dr. Timothy Bray, The Institute for Urban Policy Research, University of Texas at Dallas; CM Carolyn King Arnold; CM Omar Narvaez; CM Jaime Resendez; CM David Blewett; CM Jaime Resendez; CM Cara Mendelsohn; Chair Adam McGough

**Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):** The Committee members reported on their respective focus areas and projects.

- CM Gates invited Dr. Bray to provide an update on COVID data modeling efforts. He displayed a dashboard that visualizes the City of Dallas Testing Report data, which includes data on tests performed, positive cases, and negative cases. He also displayed a dashboard that visualizes regional hospitalization and COVID-related patient census data. Dr. Bray further discussed indicators for implementing COVID-19 mitigation strategies. CM Gates concluded by stating that these efforts will allow residents, hospitals, and governments to make informed decisions.
- CM Arnold did not provide an update.
- CM Narvaez did not provide an update.
- CM Blewett referred to the May 6 City Council briefing regarding the aviation budget. Regarding the arts, he stated that The Kalita Humphreys Theater refurbishment is moving forward and that larger art facilities have chosen to not open now but will eventually. Regarding parks, he stated that the Katy Trail alphabetical guidelines have seen success in mitigating overcrowding and that there has been talk about opening Turtle Creek Park. Chair McGough asked about the Quality of Life, Arts, and Culture (QOL) Committee's discussion on face masks that was held on May 5<sup>th</sup>. CM Gates stated that the QOL Committee will provide a memorandum to the City Manager to direct him on actions related to face masks.



- CM Resendez stated that one of the best ways to address inequity is by closing the digital divide. He pointed to a *D Magazine* article that discussed lack of internet access as a poverty driver. He then went over Dallas ISD's "Operation Connectivity" plan, which aims to provide broadband connectivity to students and families. CM Resendez provided an update on the City's efforts to expand internet access, including public library WiFi hours, WiFi range extensions at aquatic facilities, the Smart Cities pilot program, and collaboration with the Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas. Chair McGough and CM Mendelsohn asked if CM Resendez could coordinate similar efforts with Richardson ISD, Plano ISD, and other ISDs. CM Resendez suggested that the Workforce, Education, and Equity Committee should be briefed on these efforts moving forward.
- CM Mendelsohn referred to Director Oden's briefing regarding homelessness efforts and stated that the COVID-19 Information and Resource Hotline is running successfully.
- Chair McGough asked for an update on the number of first responders that are quarantined or confirmed COVID positive. Assistant City Manager Fortune stated that as of May 7<sup>th</sup>, the Dallas Police Department (DPD) had 14 positive cases, including three civilians, and four DPD members were in quarantine or isolation. Over 170 DPD members have had some level of quarantine or isolation. Dallas Fire-Rescue (DFR) had 14 positive cases and 13 who are being quarantined. 306 DFR members have had some level of quarantine or isolation. Information only.

**6. Identify Ad Hoc Committee's Strategic Next Steps****Presenter(s):** Chair Adam McGough**Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):** There was no discussion on this item.

Adjourn (4:23 p.m.)

**APPROVED BY:****ATTESTED BY:**

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DMPT Adam McGough, Chair

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Liz Cedillo-Pereira, Chief of Equity and Inclusion



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Monitoring and Enforcement of Current City Emergency Regulations and Executive and County Orders, Specifically Focusing on Strategic Partnership with the County and Other Legal Enforcement Entities as it Relates to Budget Impacts

[Jon Fortune, Assistant City Manager; Chris Caso, City Attorney]

# **Monitoring and Enforcement of Current City Emergency Regulations and Executive and County Orders**

**Ad Hoc Committee COVID-19  
Human and Social Recovery  
and Assistance**



**May 14, 2020**

**Jon Fortune, Assistant City Manager  
Christopher J. Caso, City Attorney**

# Overview

- Complaint Process and Coordination
- COVID-19 Code Enforcement Data
- Monitoring and Enforcement Priorities
- Opportunities and Recommendations
- Involuntary Compliance

# Complaint Process and Coordination

- All COVID-19 related complaints are processed through 311.
  - To date, 311 has received 5,202 (3/13/2020 – 5/12/2020) COVID related calls from residents.
- Any COVID-19 related complaints coming to 911 are dispatched to C-19 officers for response.
  - DPD has responded to 24 calls for service regarding large gatherings since 5/12/2020.
  - There have been no citations issued by DPD to date.
  - Fire Marshal has written 10 citations to date.
- The Park Ranger is utilizing a hotline to address general rule violation questions, general park questions, or concerns that are non-emergency from 9:30 AM to 5:00 PM daily.
- 28 Parking Enforcement personnel are responding to COVID-19 complaints through 311 and operate from 7:00 AM to 8:00 PM daily.
- DPD continues to coordinate with the Dallas County Sheriff's Office on complaints brought to the City by Dallas County.

# COVID-19 Code Enforcement Data

Code Compliance Services COVID-19 Special Task Force Inspections				
Month	311 Reactive	Proactive	Total for the Month	Total Citations for the Month
March	1,323	2,695	4,018	3
April	2,625	11,454	14,079	17
May	291	518	809	11
Total to Date	4,239	14,667	18,906	31

Updated May 10, 2020

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# COVID-19 Code Enforcement Data

- **14,667** of the cases regarding COVID-19 have been proactive.
- **4,239** cases were called in (311 reactive).
- **5,738** Notices of Violation (NOV) have been issued. Out of those NOVs only 26 locations required a citation to bring about compliance.
- The vast majority of all cases have been related to non-posting of the AER.

# Monitoring and Enforcement Priorities

- At the request of Mayor Johnson and Deputy Mayor Pro Tem McGough, the City is engaged in conversation with Dallas County as to how there could be more collaboration regarding enforcement between the two entities
  - Additional details will be presented to the Ad Hoc Committee in the near future





# Monitoring and Enforcement Priorities

- The goal of Code Compliance (CCS) is to control the spread of COVID-19 by educating business owners on the Governor's 25% maximum occupancy requirement.
  - Monitoring of non-essential businesses allowed to reopen with specified requirements.
  - CCS staff continues to work AER cases at a level of 75% proactive engagement.
  - As necessary, notices of violations are given, and citations are only issued for lack of compliance.
- 311 is monitoring all existing orders to ensure that current COVID related service request options are up to date and match the scope and level of the regulations currently in place.

# Monitoring and Enforcement Priorities

- PKR's primary monitoring focus is closed amenities such as playgrounds, pavilions, basketball courts and athletic fields, along with social distancing compliance in open areas of parks, such as trails.
- A special initiative was held on the weekend of 5/9/20 (Sat. through Sun.) by DPD, CCS, and PKR to provide stationary monitoring at College, Glendale, and JJ Lemmon parks. The initiative was successful and voluntary compliance was achieved.

# Monitoring and Enforcement Priorities

- Parking enforcement continues to monitor parks, trails, and the surrounding neighborhood for parking compliance in collaboration with other enforcement agencies.
- Patrons are offered one free parking session when using the mobile payment app through their smart phone.
  - Residents in Central Business District, Bishop Arts and Uptown area are getting an additional 45 minutes to park and pickup their essentials without parking fees.
  - All in-person adjudication for parking citations have been suspended. Residents can contest their parking citations via mail or fax. Fees incurred due to “Failure to Appear” or “Delayed Appeal” will be waived by the Department of Transportation and Court.

# Opportunities and Recommendations

- Approximately 130 Code Officers will remain on the COVID-19 Special Task Force
  - Enforcement activity will be split 50:50 between commercial districts and community neighborhoods
- Approximately 20 Code Officers will be primarily focusing on proactive and reactive blight related premise violations
  - Enforcement will be educational and informational
  - Align closely with Service First Rep Program

# Opportunities and Recommendations

- 311 continues to work closely with Code Compliance, Housing, Economic Development, Office of Innovation, and the City Attorney's Office to provide the most up to date information to residents.
- 311 continues to provide assistance and support in the way of natural language IVR voice prompts for the City's COVID Resource and Information and Financial Assistance Hotlines.
- As PKR staff returns to new normal duties, parking monitors for White Rock Lake will become less available. PKR will possibly focus on prioritizing peak usage days (Thursday through Sunday).

# Involuntary Compliance

Legal Strategies	Data
Referral of Violation to Community Prosecution	23
CAO Violation Notice Letters	21
District Court Lawsuits	1

- Cases are referred to CAO by Code, DPD, and DFR following the issuance of a citation.
- Once a case is referred to the CP, a notice letter is issued to the business owner, and potentially the property owner.
- If a business owner fails to comply with the emergency regulations following citation and notification from CAO, a lawsuit may be filed to request a district court issue a temporary restraining order.

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# Involuntary Compliance

The City continues to coordinate with other law enforcement agencies to coordinate consistent enforcement and collaborate – where applicable.

County	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- The District Attorney's Office does not anticipate filing civil lawsuits to enforce the COVID-19 regulations, however, the Dallas County Commissioner's Court may request that the DA's Office institute litigation regarding such enforcement.</li></ul>
State	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- The Office of the Attorney General is prepared to provide legal counsel to local governments regarding the interpretation and enforcement of executive orders.</li><li>- Enforcement by state agencies is currently on a case-by-case basis and dependent on the agency.</li></ul>
Federal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- The U.S. Attorney's Office will continue to partner with the City on matters such as Project Safe Neighborhood and will also work with the City on domestic violence issues and sexual harassment in public housing and other matters.</li></ul>

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# Discussion





# **Monitoring and Enforcement of Current City Emergency Regulations and Executive and County Orders**

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Specifics on the City of Dallas Furlough  
[T.C. Broadnax, City Manager]

# Memorandum



CITY OF DALLAS

DATE May 8, 2020

TO Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

SUBJECT **Extended Furlough for City Employees Deemed Non-Essential**

Our City leadership, along with most leaders across our nation, remain focused on measuring and managing the impact that COVID-19 will have on our health and safety, workforce, and economy. We are developing a plan to continue essential services for our residents while positioning us to absorb the estimated \$25 million budget shortfall in the current fiscal year.

In the last two weeks, I shared with city employees that my Chief of Staff Kimberly Bizer Tolbert was leading an Employee Care Team to work with departmental leadership to develop a City of Dallas Workplace Stabilization Plan. Options considered include redeployment, abbreviated work hours, extended or intermittent furlough days, early retirement incentives, and/or a reduction in force. We are currently implementing Phase One which will include extended furlough days for employees currently on mandatory leave and not working, and part-time and temporary employees and interns deemed non-essential in ten city departments.

The extended furlough days will begin May 13 and extend through at least July 31, 2020. If needed, this furlough period may be extended. Employees in impacted positions are being notified of the furlough starting today, May 8. All furloughed employees are eligible for unemployment benefits. To smooth the transition, our Employee Care Team has worked with our third-party unemployment benefits provider to proactively upload all necessary documentation needed from the City to ensure employees receive their benefits expeditiously. Realizing that health is critical during this pandemic, coverage will remain in effect through July for furloughed employees enrolled in the City's health benefit plan.

While a furlough is a very difficult decision to make, it is necessary to reduce our immediate staffing expenses and manage the budget shortfall we anticipate. As communicated during Wednesday's briefing, we also expect an additional shortfall between \$73 million and \$134 million in the upcoming fiscal year that begins October 1, 2020. Phase Two of the Workplace Stabilization Plan may include intermittent furlough days, additional positions identified for extended furlough and/or a reduction in force. We are closely monitoring our budget and implementing cost saving measures in other areas to help cover immediate and anticipated shortfalls. We will continue to update you.

DATE May 8, 2020  
SUBJECT **Extended Furlough for City Employees Deemed Non-Essential**

If there are any questions or if additional information is needed, please contact Chief of Staff Kimberly Tolbert at 214- 670-3302 or [k.bizortolbert@dallascityhall.com](mailto:k.bizortolbert@dallascityhall.com).

Sincerely,



T.C. Broadnax  
City Manager

c: Chris Caso, City Attorney  
Mark Swann, City Auditor  
Biliera Johnson, City Secretary  
Preston Robinson, Administrative Judge  
Kimberly Bizar Tolbert, Chief of Staff to the City Manager  
Majed A. Al-Ghafry, Assistant City Manager  
Jon Fortune, Assistant City Manager

Joey Zapata, Assistant City Manager  
Nadia Chandler Hardy, Assistant City Manager  
Dr. Eric A. Johnson, Chief of Economic Development and Neighborhood Services  
M. Elizabeth Reich, Chief Financial Officer  
Laila Alequresh, Chief Innovation Officer  
M. Elizabeth (Liz) Cedillo-Pereira, Chief of Equity and Inclusion  
Directors and Assistant Directors



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Plans and Strategies for Re-Opening Dallas Parks, Recreation Centers, and Aquatic Centers  
[John Jenkins, Director, Park and Recreation]

# **Plans and Strategies for Re-Opening Dallas Parks, Recreation Centers, and Aquatic Centers**

**Ad Hoc Committee COVID-19  
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**May 14, 2020**

**John Jenkins, Director, Park and  
Recreation**

# Overview

- Dallas Park and Recreation is closely analyzing re-opening options for elements of the park system while ensuring that the public and employee safety remain the top priority
- All phased options and dates will be subject to the guidance and advice of public health officials
- Park and Recreation Board was briefed on a proposed phased re-opening plan on May 7<sup>th</sup>
- Park and Recreation Board requested to review detailed re-opening plans for recreation centers and aquatic facilities on June 4<sup>th</sup>

# Proposed Phased Re-Opening

- **Phase I (Limited Outdoor Recreation)**
  - May 1, 2020
  - Golf
  - Tennis
  - Outdoor Fee-Based Programs
    - All authorized activities had detailed safety protocols in place prior to opening



# Partner Re-Opening Update

- Quality of Life, Arts and & Culture Committee was briefed on the Dallas Zoo and Dallas Arboretum re-opening plans May 5<sup>th</sup>
- Dallas Park and Recreation Board was briefed on Dallas Zoo and Dallas Arboretum re-opening plans May 7<sup>th</sup>
- In an effort to test re-opening policies and procedures a limited opening will occur
  - Dallas Arboretum - May 15<sup>th</sup>
  - Dallas Zoo - May 25<sup>th</sup>

# Proposed Phased Re-Opening

- **Phase II (Limited Outdoor Events, Facilities and Rentals)**
  - Date - TBD
  - Dog Parks
  - Skatepark
  - Disk Golf
  - Park Pavilions
  - Small Outdoor Events

# Proposed Phased Re-Opening

- **Phase III (Outdoor Park Amenities)**

- Date - TBD
- Park Amenities (Water fountains, Restrooms, Benches, etc.)
- Basketball Courts
- Volleyball Courts

# Proposed Phased Re-Opening

- **Phase IV (Children-Focused Amenities, Indoor and Outdoor Facilities and Reservations)**
  - Date - TBD
  - Pools
  - Playgrounds
  - Spraygrounds
  - Athletic Fields/Organized Sports
  - Recreation Centers
  - Indoor Reservation Facilities

# Additional Park Activities

- There are other activities that have not been assigned to a re-opening phase because sufficient information is not yet available
- Department is seeking guidance from industry groups and health officials
  - Large events/Mass gatherings
    - Corporate events
    - Conventions/Trade Shows
    - Runs/Walks/Large special events in parks
    - Concerts

# Results from Phase I

- Golf and tennis attendance counts were down across the system compared to a typical weekend during the same time of the year
  - Total of 3,658 attendees
  - Golf attendance was down 10% to 40% across the system
- No significant issues were reported related to any of the safety measures that were enacted
- Outdoor Fee-Based programs have not had any attendance reported to date

# Continued Forecast Impacts

- Possible abbreviated or closed pool season, spray grounds, summer camps and afterschool programs
- Recreation Centers operation may be limited
- Athletics, Events and Reservations uncertain due to group and capacity limitations

# Next Steps

- Park and Recreation Board will be briefed on more detailed planning efforts specific to recreation centers and aquatics on June 4<sup>th</sup>
- Staff will provide additional information to Council Committees
- Will incorporate National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA) Guidelines once released
- Continue to consult with Texas top 4 Park Departments regarding COVID-19 re-opening plans (Austin, Ft. Worth, Houston, San Antonio)



# Discussion



# **Plans and Strategies for Re-Opening Dallas Parks, Recreation Centers, and Aquatic Centers**

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Latest from ISDs in the City of Dallas on Plans for Senior Graduation Ceremonies and School Re-Openings in fall 2020  
[ISD Representatives]



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Understanding COVID-19 in Dallas Through Data Modeling  
[Dr. Timothy Bray, The Institute for Urban Policy Research, University of Texas at Dallas]



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**Focus Area Reports from Committee Members:**

*Supplemental to Written Reports Distributed to Committee by May 13, 2020. City Staff Available to Answer Questions and Provide Additional Updates.*

- a. Housing and Homelessness; Technology  
[CM Cara Mendelsohn; Kevin Oden, Interim Director, Office of Homeless Solutions; Laila Alequresh, Chief Innovation Officer]
- b. Healthcare System, Hospital System; Family and Domestic Violence  
[CM Jennifer Gates; Jon Fortune, Assistant City Manager]
- c. Community Coordination and Neighborhood Needs  
[CM Carolyn King Arnold; Peer Chacko, Director, Department of Planning and Urban Design]
- d. Senior Services and Elder Care Facilities  
[CM Omar Narvaez; Jessica Galleshaw, Director, Office of Community Care]
- e. Transportation & Aviation; Arts & Parks  
[CM David Blewett; Michael Rogers, Director, Department of Transportation]
- f. Education and Youth Services  
[CM Jaime Resendez; Jessica Galleshaw, Director, Office of Community Care]
- g. Public Safety & First Responders, Compliance, Philanthropic Coordination  
[Chair Adam McGough; Carl Simpson, Director, Code Compliance Services; U. Renée Hall, Chief of Police, Dallas Police Department; John Jenkins, Director, Park and Recreation]



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Outline Ad Hoc Committee's Strategic Next Steps