



### **FROM THE DESK OF THE CITY MANAGER**

In the last hour we have received the latest update from Tarrant County Judge B. Glen Whitley. He has released a Second Amended Declaration of Local Disaster Due To Public Health Emergency. Judge Whitley signed this Declaration at 2pm today and it goes into effect at 6pm today, March 21, 2020. We know that these constant updates and changing information can cause confusion, so please read this declaration in full. You can find it at:

[http://www.tarrantcounty.com/content/dam/main/global/Covid-19/Declaration\\_of\\_Local\\_Disaster\\_2nd\\_Amendment.pdf](http://www.tarrantcounty.com/content/dam/main/global/Covid-19/Declaration_of_Local_Disaster_2nd_Amendment.pdf)

In addition to all current County and State regulations in place for the City, this Amended declaration will impact the City of White Settlement in the following ways.

- \* clarifies that all gatherings shall be no more than 10 people regardless of the type of gathering
- \* expands the list of business types that must close to include hair and nail salons and barber shops, estheticians and related personal care businesses, spas, massage parlors, tattoo and piercing parlors, tanning salons, residential meeting spaces, event centers, hotel meeting spaces and ballrooms, outdoor plazas and markets, malls and retail stores that do not sell essential household goods
- \* orders that all members of households that contain someone who has tested positive for COVID-19 isolate at home until cleared by a medical professional
- \* closes worship services for in-person services, provided that needed staff can attend to produce audio/video services for transmission

You can refer to the bottom of the amended declaration linked above for a table that breaks down all the restrictions. Please continue to demonstrate an abundance of caution in these troubled times as we work together to get through this pandemic. Below is a list of official resources that you can utilize to stay up to date on the latest official news and information.

Tarrant County

(<https://www.tarrantcounty.com/content/main/en/county/tarrant-county-covid-19-information.html>)

Tarrant County Public Health

(<https://www.tarrantcounty.com/en/public-health/disease-control---prevention/coronaviruses.html>)

Texas Department of Health Services

(<https://dshs.texas.gov/coronavirus/>)

White Settlement Independent School District

(<https://www.wsisd.com/>)

Thank you,

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