



FROM THE DESK OF THE CITY MANAGER

You may have already seen on the news that Texas Governor Greg Abbott has released Executive Order GA 14. This Executive Order goes into effect at 12:01 AM on April 2, 2020. For those who have not been briefed on this latest order, we are linking to the full document to help you stay aware of the latest developments. You can find the document at:

https://gov.texas.gov/uploads/files/press/EO-GA-14_Statewide_Essential_Service_and_Activity_COVID-19_IMAGE_03-31-2020.pdf

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

* schools shall remain temporarily closed to in-person classroom attendance and shall not recommence before May 4, 2020

* if religious services cannot be conducted from home or through remote services, they should be conducted consistent with the Guidelines from the President and the CDC by practicing good hygiene, environmental cleanliness, and sanitation, and by implementing social distancing

While this Executive Order sets a potential date for school to reconvene, please note that depending on local situations and needs it may be necessary for districts to remain closed beyond May 4. We will continue to defer to the White Settlement Independent School District and ask that you stay up to date with their latest news and information at www.wstx.us for the latest announcements regarding our local schools. Governor Abbott has also provided some new guidance for religious services that aren't able to utilize remote options. We are asking that all of our

residents continue to demonstrate an abundance of caution and engage in all safety guidelines such as keeping hands washed, staying home whenever possible, staying home if feeling sick, and social distancing at all times when out of the home. If we all practice individual responsibility during this time we will keep ourselves and others safe.

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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