

# COVID-19 Response + Recovery

Cross-Functional Team Update

8.15.22

#### **Table of Contents**

- 1. Overview (Tommy Gonzalez)
- 2. City Attorney Overview (Karla Nieman)
  - a) State Disaster Declaration
  - **b) Emergency Ordinances**
  - c) Greg Abbott, in his official capacity as Governor of Texas v. City of El Paso & Statewide Mask Mandate Litigation
  - d) Additional Updates
- 3. Team Lead Report:
  - a) Health Focus (Hector Ocaranza, M.D.)
  - b) Sun City Café Update (Joaquin Rodriguez)
- 4. City Manager Wrap-up (Tommy Gonzalez)



## 1. Overview

Tommy Gonzalez



## 2. City Attorney Overview

August 15, 2022

Overview

City Attorney Overview

- 1. State Disaster Declaration
- 2. Emergency Ordinances
- 3. Greg Abbott, in his official capacity as Governor of Texas v. City of El Paso & Statewide Mask Mandate Litigation
- 4. Additional Updates



Karla Nieman



#### State Disaster Declaration

MARCH 13, 2020

Governor Abbott issues Disaster Declaration

AUGUST 19,\* 2022

Governor Abbott renewed COVID-19 Disaster Declaration

SEPTEMBER 18,\*\* 2022

Governor Abbott renews COVID-19 Disaster Declaration

\* Anticipated date

<sup>\*\*</sup>Anticipate Governor Abbott will renew his Disaster Declaration August 19-20, 2022.





### Emergency Ordinances

Ordinance	Adoption Date	Most Recent Re- enactment	Expires
<b>Disaster Declaration</b> Ord. No. 019035	3/17/2020	7/18/2022	8/19/2022
Emergency Measures Ord. No. 019036	3/17/2020	7/18/2022	8/19/2022
Public Right of Way Ord. No. 019241	10/11/2021	7/18/2022	8/19/2022

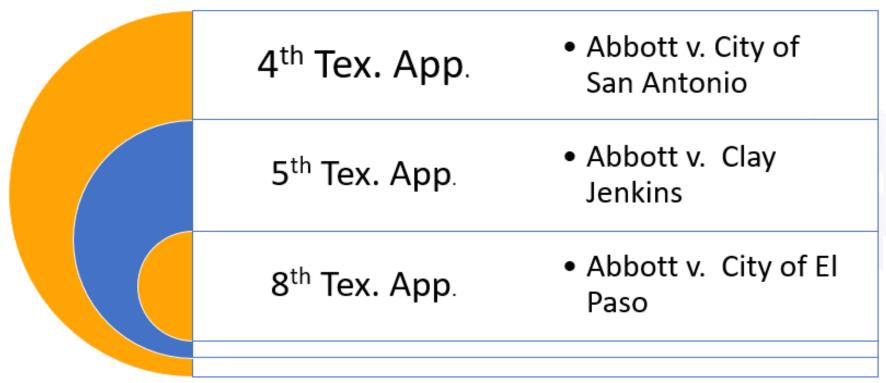






# Greg Abbott, in his official capacity as Governor of Texas v. City of El Paso & Statewide Mask Mandate Litigation

#### **Texas Courts of Appeal**







#### Additional Updates- U.S. National Park Services

- Mask mandate is in effect at U.S. National Parks located in areas with a high community level.
  - Chamizal National Memorial is requiring masks regardless of vaccination status at all indoor locations











#### Additional Updates –COVID-19 Prosecution Update

Trial Settings on COVID-19 Citations through 8/8/2022 in all 5 Municipal Courts



22 Trials (12 Guilty)

135 Pleas

59 Reset

48 Warrants 141 Dismissed







# 3. Team Lead Report



## a. Health Focus

Hector I. Ocaranza, M.D.

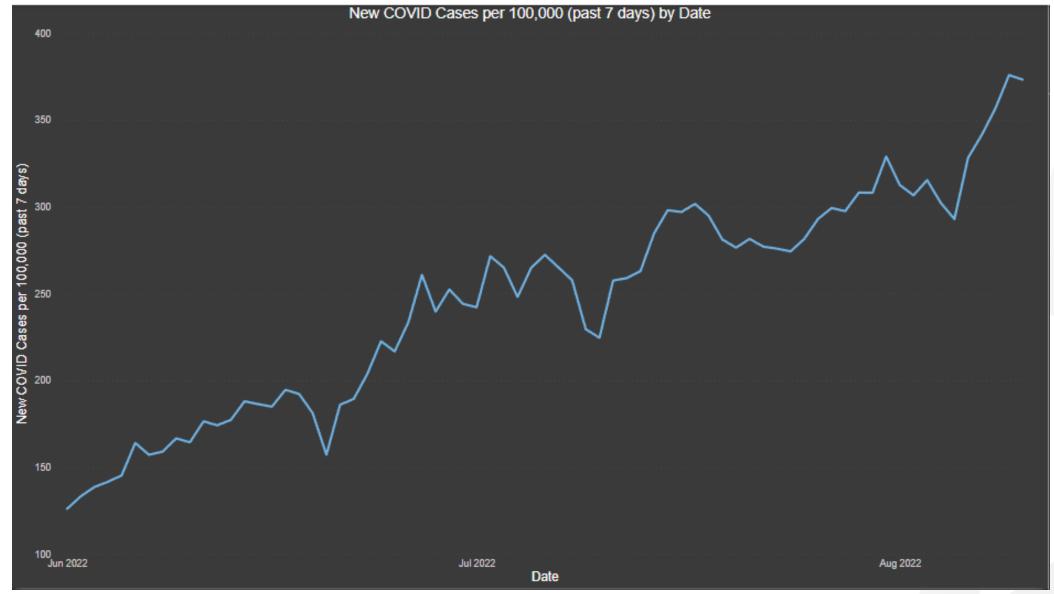


#### COVID-19 Summary

- Community Level remains in High
- Hospitalizations are stable and encouraging
- Schools are in session and will increase the infection rate
- New testing sites up and running
- Recommend community to be vigilant and prevent COVID and other infectious diseases
- Vaccination continues to have demand and rates slowly increasing



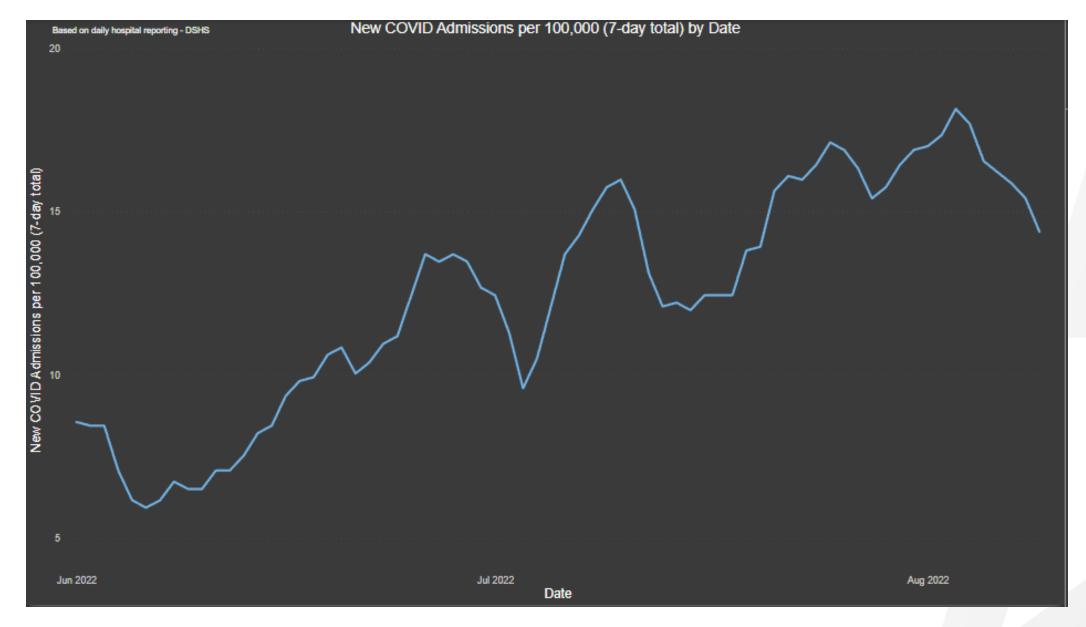
















#### Monkeypox Overview

- Over 30,000 cases globally and over 10,000 confirmed cases in the US
- In June Texas reported its first confirmed case and up to now has about 700 cases where Dallas, Houston are the metropolitan areas with most of the cases
- This is the largest outbreak of Monkeypox outside endemic areas
- Virus is transmitted through direct intimate contact with an infected individual
- Mortality very low in developed countries
- Effective countermeasure is the vaccine as Post-exposure Prophylaxis





# b. Sun City Cafe

Joaquin Rodriguez



#### Sun City Café Pilot Program

- Program developed in response to the Covid-19 Pandemic
  - Allowed for outside seating and recreational areas
  - Permit through the Planning and Inspection Pilot Programs website
  - Sun City Safe Pilot Program (elpasotexas.gov)
- Based on feedback received:
  - City will do a full evaluation of the program following our standard processes
  - Surveys with the community to fine tune the goals and feasibility of the program
  - Deploy LSS tools to optimize the review and approval and implementation process.

#### Possible outcomes:

- Continue with the emergency ordinance as pilot program
- Establish a permanent program
- Eliminate the program if determined to be not feasible or used





# 4. City Manager Wrap-up

Tommy Gonzalez



# Thank you!