



COVID-19 Response + Recovery

Cross-Functional Team Update

10.11.21

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1. Overview

Tommy Gonzalez



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October 11, 2021

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Karla Nieman

State Disaster Declarations



*Anticipate Governor Abbott will renew his Disaster Declaration between October 26th-28th .

Emergency Ordinances

Ordinance	Adoption Date	Most Recent Re-enactment	Expires
Disaster Declaration Ord. No. 019035	3/17/2020	9/13/2021	10/13/2021
Emergency Measures Ord. No. 019036	3/17/2020	9/13/2021	10/13/2021
Public Right of Way Ord. No. 019091	8/31/2020	8/18/2021	9/17/2021
Public Right of Way Ord. No. _____	10/11/2021		11/10/2021

Greg Abbott v. City of El Paso

❖ September 30, 2021:

- ❖ 8th COA denied City's request to keep Temporary Injunction in place
- ❖ City's Mask Mandate paused to keep status quo

❖ October 5, 2021:

- ❖ City submitted reply brief
- ❖ Ruling on Plea to Jurisdiction pending in 8th COA
- ❖ Case will return to CC7 for trial

Statewide Mask Mandate Litigation

Obtained TRO & Mask Mandate Temporarily Suspended

- City of San Antonio & Bexar County - 4th COA
- Dallas County - 5th COA
- Fort Bend County - 1st COA

Obtained TRO & Mask Mandate Still in Place

- La Joya ISD, et. al (Travis County) - 3rd COA
- Harris County - 3rd COA

Additional Updates – Land Ports of Entry Travel Restrictions

March 24, 2020

DHS published notice to temporarily limit the travel of individuals from Mexico at land ports along the U.S.-Mexico Border to only “essential travel” due to the COVID-19 pandemic



September 20, 2021

Extended through
October 21, 2021

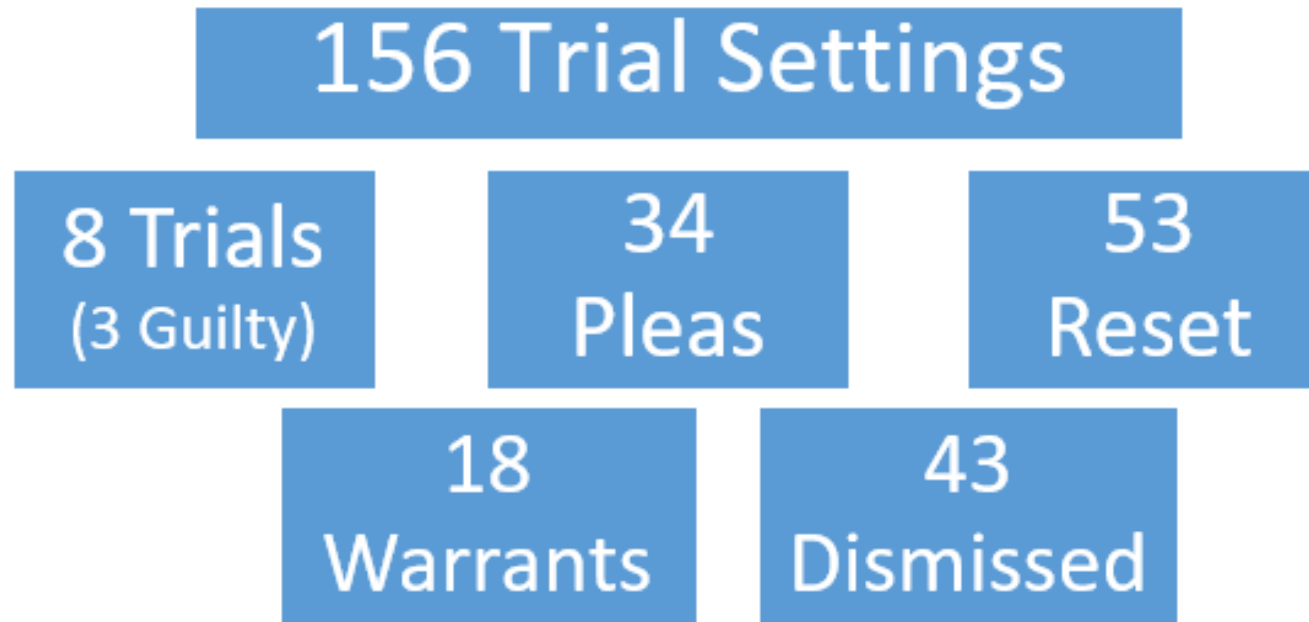
Restricted Non-essential travel—individuals traveling for tourism purposes
(e.g. sightseeing, recreation, gambling, or attending cultural events)

Additional Updates - Courts Update

- ❖ Texas Supreme Court Emergency Orders
 - ❖ Effective October 1 - December 1, 2021
- ❖ 42nd Emergency Order – Extends Eviction Diversion Program
- ❖ 43rd Emergency Order Regarding COVID-19
 - ❖ Courts can no longer modify or suspend any and all deadlines or procedures
 - ❖ Continues authorizing all courts to require or allow remote hearings
 - ❖ Municipal Court presiding judge can mandate compliance with minimum standard health protocols adopted for their courtrooms

Additional Updates – COVID-19 Prosecution Update

Trial Settings on COVID-19 Citations through 9/2/2021 in all 5 Municipal Courts





3. Team Lead Report



a. Health Focus

Hector I. Ocaranza, M.D.

COVID-19 Summary



COVID-19
SITUATIONAL
MONITORING

October 7, 2021



Positive Tests
141 145,930
New Cumulative

COVID-19 Deaths
2 2800
New Cumulative

Active
1,754

Recovered
141,226

Hospitalized
115

In ICU
44



COVID-19
Community
Scorecard

Stage 3



Infection
Rate 2



Testing 3



Investi-
gations 4



Healthcare
Readiness 4



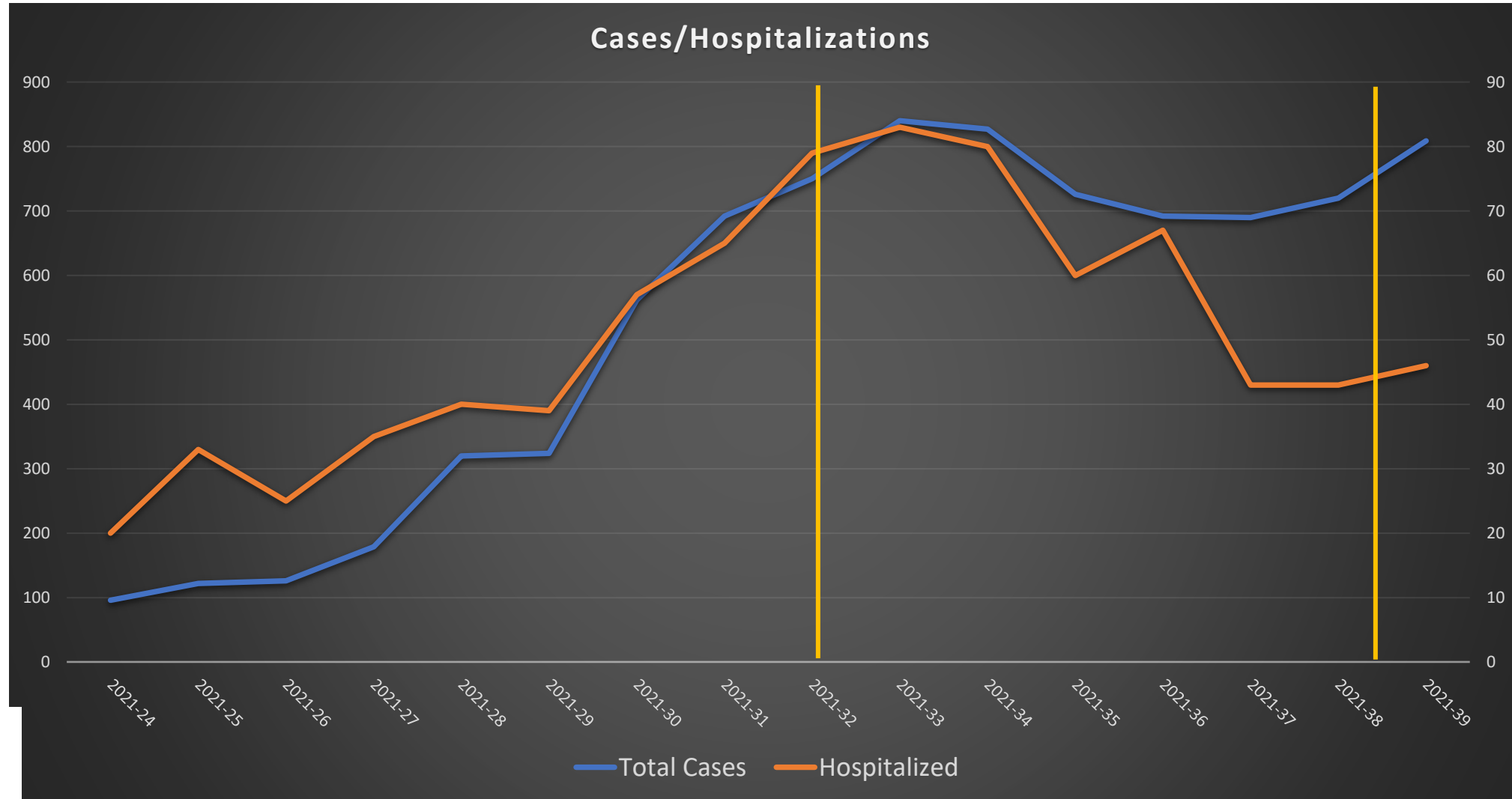
At-Risk
Population 4



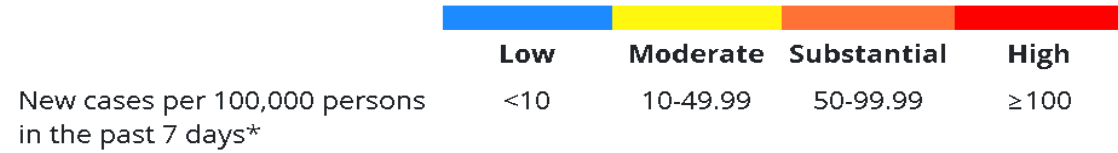
COVID-19
Vaccinations

- ❖ 7-day avg of New Cases per 100,000 is seeing an upward trend from Sep 30 after a plateau of 3 weeks
- ❖ Hospitalized patients are stable at avg of ≈ 110 patients
- ❖ We have fully vaccinated over 76% of eligible population
- ❖ Pandemic is currently driven by the unvaccinated
- ❖ We STRONGLY continue recommending practicing prevention with vaccination and non-pharmacological interventions

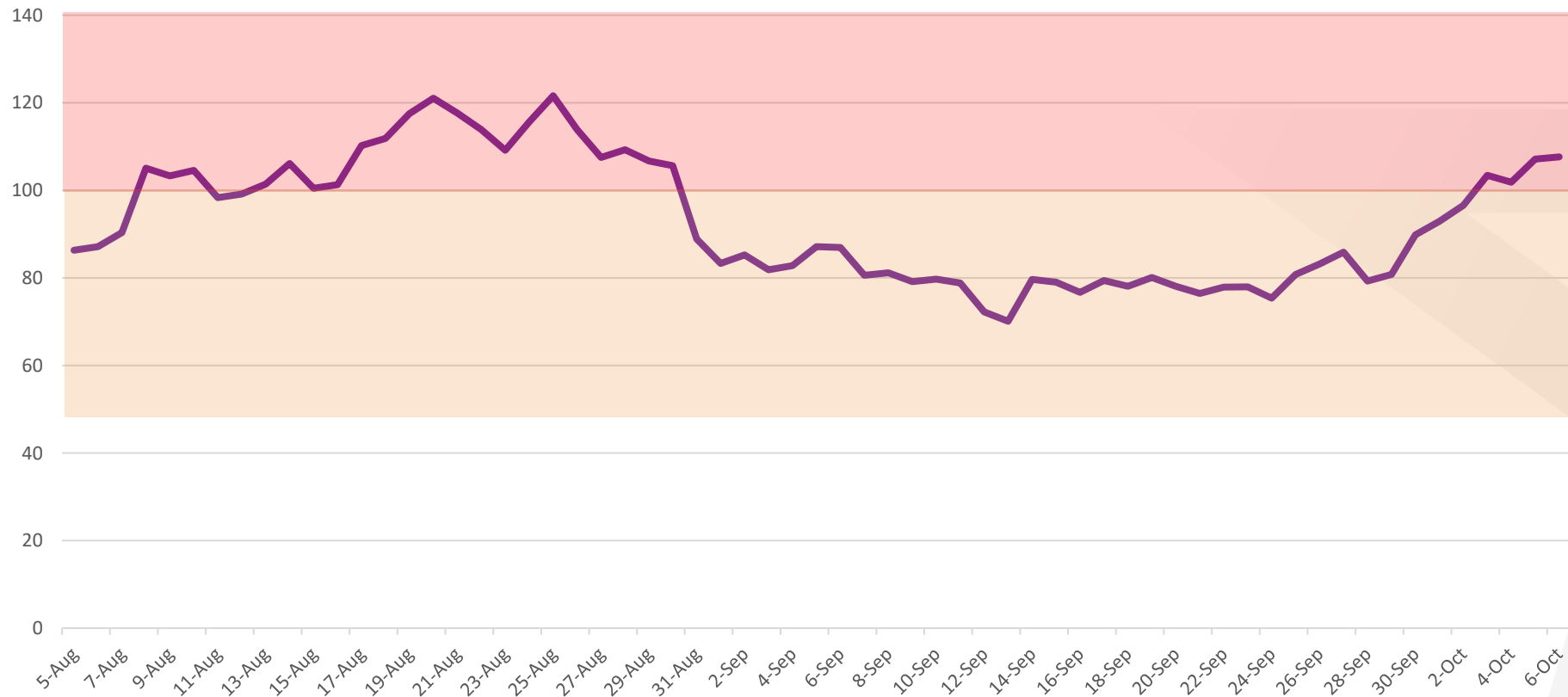
New Cases/Hospitalizations By CDC Week



Level of Community Transmission



El Paso New Cases per 100,000 over last 7 days



4. City Manager Wrap-up

Tommy Gonzalez



Thank you!