

COVID-19 Response + Recovery

Cross-Functional Team Update 10.25.21

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1. Overview

Tommy Gonzalez



2. City Attorney Overview

October 25, 2021 Overview

1. Greg Abbott, in his official capacity as Governor of Texas, v. City of El Paso

Karla Nieman



Greg Abbott v. City of El Paso

❖ September 30, 2021:

- ❖ 8th Court of Appeals 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

❖ October 12, 2021:

- Governor's reply brief filed
- Ruling on Plea to Jurisdiction pending in 8th Court of Appeals
- Case will return to CC7 for trial
- Amount of time spent on lawsuit: 395 hours





3. Team Lead Report



a. Health Focus

Hector I. Ocaranza, M.D.



COVID-19 Summary



- New Cases per 100,000 is still within range of High Community Transmission
- ❖Hospitalized patients slowly increasing at about ≈ 130 patients
- ❖We have fully vaccinated over 77% of eligible population
- Pandemic is currently driven by the unvaccinated
- We STRONGLY continue recommending practicing prevention with vaccination and non-pharmacological interventions







	<u>Third Dose</u>	<u>Booster Dose</u>	
Who is it for?	People with weak immune system whose response was not sufficient and are not well protected	People with normal immune system whose protection weans over time	
What Vaccines	Pfizer and Moderna	Pfizer and Moderna	
Timing	28 days	6 months	
Dose	Same as initial series	Pfizer (Same Dose) Moderna (Half of initial series)	





New On COVID-19 Vaccine

- Booster doses approved for Pfizer, Moderna and Johnson and Johnson vaccines.
- FDA Approved mix-and-match vaccines as booster doses
- Data from Phase 2/3 trials on children 5-11 years of age submitted to FDA by Pfizer/Bio-N-Tech
- COVID-19 vaccine for children 5-11 yrs of age will have 1/3 of the dose (10 mcg) recommended for 12 yrs and older
- Recommended schedule is: 2 doses, 21 days apart





EX COVID-19 Vaccination

Vaccine Brand Name	Who Can Get this Vaccine ^[1]	How Many Shots You Will Need	When Are You Fully Vaccinated?
<u>Pfizer-BioNTech</u>	People 12 years and older	2 shots Given 3 weeks (21 days) apart ^[2]	2 weeks after your second shot
<u>Moderna</u>	People 18 years and older	2 shots Given 4 weeks (28 days) apart ^[2]	2 weeks after your second shot
Johnson & Johnson's Janssen	People 18 years and older	1 shot	2 weeks after your shot





Booster Doses

	Pfizer	Moderna	Johnson and Johnson (Janssen)
Dose	0.3 ml (30 mcg)	0.5 ml (50 mcg)	0.5 ml
Who Can Receive Booster?	 65 years of age and older 18 through 64 years of age at high risk of severe COVID-19 18 through 64 years of age with frequent institutional or occupational exposure to SARS-CoV-2 	 65 years of age and older 18 through 64 years of age at high risk of severe COVID-19 18 through 64 years of age with frequent institutional or occupational exposure to SARS-CoV-2 	Everyone 18 years of age and older
Timing	6 months	6 months	2 month



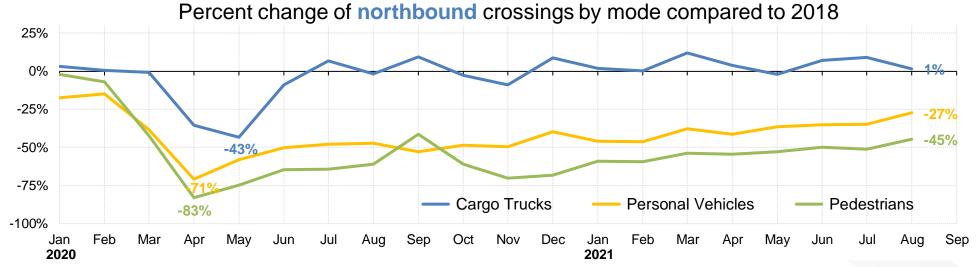


b. Data Analysis

David Coronado



International Bridge Crossings

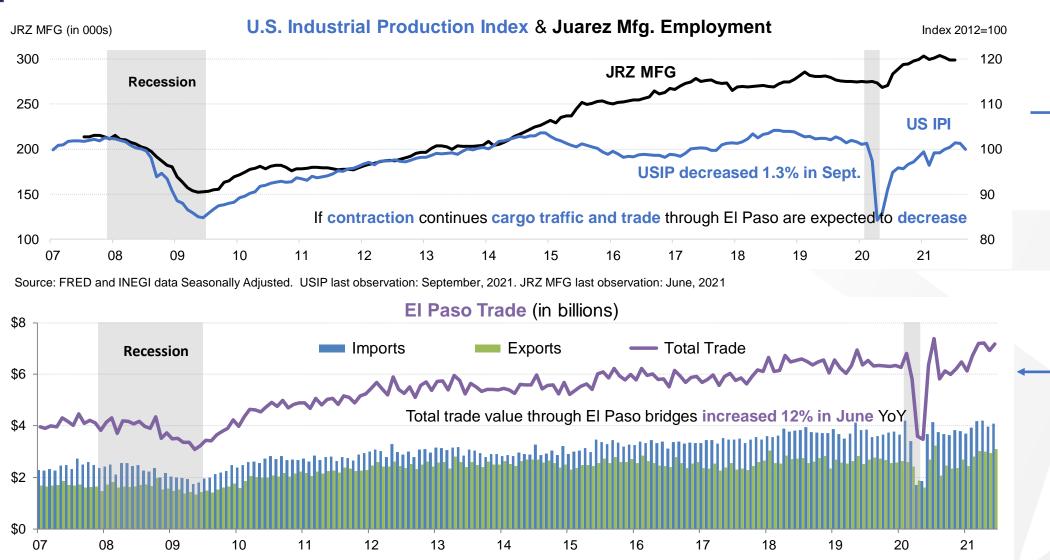


Source: U.S. Customs and Border Protection compiled by the City of El Paso International Bridges. Last observation: August, 2021

- > Coordinating with all stakeholders in our Bridges Steering Committee ahead of Phase I
- Restart P3 program with U.S. Customs and Border Protection for POV and PED crossings
- Provide additional funding to El Paso Police Department for increased traffic control measures at Stanton St. and Ysleta/Zaragoza bridges
- > Planning pop-up vaccination events near POEs



Manufacturing Activity & Trade

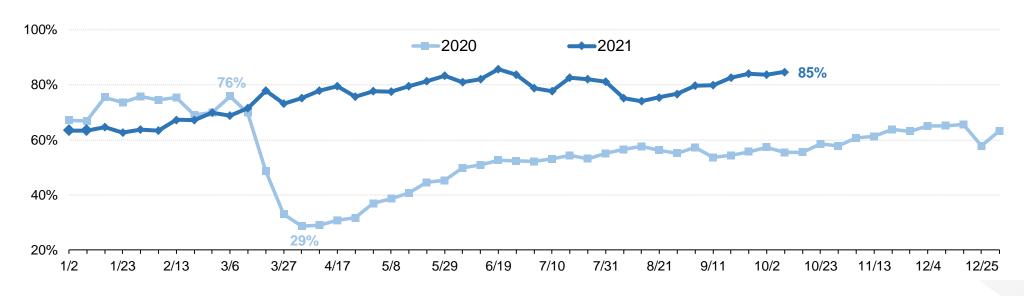


Source: U.S. Bureau of Transportation Statistics. Last observation: June, 2021



Hotel Occupancy

Hotel Occupancy (weekly average) above pre-pandemic levels (85%)

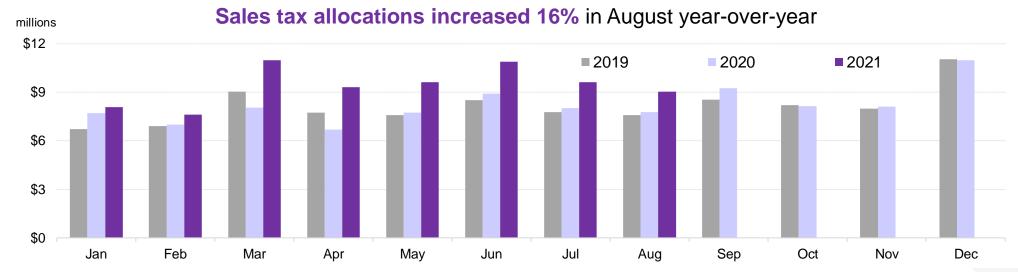


Source: Destination El Paso. Last observation: October 9, 2021

September 2021



Retail Sales (allocations)



Source: Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts. Last observation: August, 2021



4. City Manager Wrap-up

Tommy Gonzalez



Thank you!