

CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE

A Message from City Manager Chris Lagerbloom

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Good Afternoon,

Governor DeSantis issued orders yesterday that impact the way we, as a local government, continue our response to the COVID-19 pandemic. Because every Floridian has access to a COVID-19 vaccine, our Governor intends to return day-to-day life back to normal everywhere in the State.

To comply with the orders, we will be changing several things. All social distancing, facial coverings, temperature checks and other COVID-19 limitations are no longer required but will be voluntary. Capacity in our facilities will also return to normal.

To those that have been medically able to receive the vaccine, I cannot thank you enough. It is the most heroic thing you can do to protect yourself and protect those around you. If you have not received a vaccine, you are approved to use work time to get one. It is that important to me, and that important to our team. By choosing to become vaccinated, you become one of the millions of Americans who have chosen to see this pandemic end.

I am deeply committed to the safety of our employees. As we emerge a vibrant organization, we will continue to provide personal protective equipment for those who are more comfortable in the workplace using it. Additionally, we will commit to continuing the deep cleaning of all city facilities.

Thank you for your flexibility and perseverance. We have accomplished so much during this time of uncertainty. As we move forward, I cannot wait to see what our future holds. As we safely return to what we once knew was normal, please be patient with each other and respect each other's safety preferences. If you have any questions, contact Jerome Post in Human Resources at (954) 828-5307 or by email <u>ipost@fortlauderdale.gov</u>.

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