

Memorandum



CITY OF DALLAS

DATE March 20, 2020

TO All City Departments

SUBJECT **Driver License**

Due to the precautionary measures and “social-distancing” recommendations from the CDC, the Governor of Texas has announced that Texas is waiving certain rules related to vehicle registration, parking placards for person with disabilities, titling and driver license renewals to aid the state’s effort to combat COVID-19.

Texas Department of Public Safety is extending the time to renew expired driver licenses. This extension will allow drivers to drive with expired licenses, until further notice, if either of the following conditions are met:

- 1) The expiration date on the driver’s license or ID card is on or after March 13, 2020
- 2) The current date is within 60 days of the end of the State of Disaster

The extension only applies to the expiration date on the licenses and not for people who are ineligible to drive due to suspension, revocation, or denial. In addition, all Law Enforcement agencies have been asked to follow the new guidelines.

In accordance with the State’s declaration, per Chief Hall, the City of Dallas Police Department, until further notice, shall not issue citations for the following offenses but not limited to:

- 1) Registration Required
- 2) Operation of vehicle with expired license plate
- 3) Operation of vehicle without registration insignia
- 4) Expired Drivers’ (licenses-providing the criterion is meet)

The Office of Risk Management will continue to distribute DPS reports to each department with City drivers’ statuses. Any City drivers that meet the above conditions can drive City vehicles until further notice. Any City drivers with licenses that have been suspended, revoked or denied will be relieved of their driving responsibilities. Managers/supervisors please forward this information to your employees that have no email address or computer access. If you have any concerns, you may contact me at (214) 671-9051.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

Zeronda D. Smith
Director, Office of Risk Management

c: Chris Caso, City Attorney (Interim)
Directors and Assistant Directors

M. Elizabeth Reich, Chief Financial Officer

