

**To the Mayor and Members of the City Council****December 3, 2019**

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**SUBJECT: IMPLEMENTATION OF COMPLIANCE GUIDELINES FOR  
CONSTRUCTION IN DOWNTOWN FORT WORTH**

This Informal Report is for the implementation of new compliance guidelines for construction in Downtown Fort Worth. Downtown Fort Worth strives to build upon its image as the most vibrant, walkable, mixed-use urban center in the region by focusing on exceptional design of both private and public places.

Recognizing that a balance between the visitor experience and the necessary staging of construction is important, City staff worked with a group of Downtown stakeholders and contractors to identify ways to improve construction staging and foster a pedestrian, motorist, and business friendly atmosphere. The result is the Compliance Guidelines for Construction (CGC). The CGC is a set of guidelines and references to existing ordinances designed to better manage and administer construction projects that affect the Downtown Urban Design District.

The purpose of the CGC is to provide a clear and comprehensive document articulating the expectations for construction projects within Downtown's boundaries. The CGC provides developers, general contractors, sub-contractors and other trades with clear expectations when working within the District. The CGC addresses the expectations for work that takes place within the public right-of-way as it impacts vehicular and pedestrian traffic flow, access to parking, and any damage to Downtown's streetscape assets caused due to construction.

The proposed guidelines meet the general development intent and principles as stated in the Downtown Urban Design Standards and Guidelines criteria, as stated by the Texas Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices, and other legal requirements. City staff will begin implementing the CGC on January 1, 2020. The guidelines can be found at the following web address: <http://fortworthtexas.gov/standards/>

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