



City of Phoenix

Street Transportation Department
Office of the City Engineer

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Attn: City of Phoenix General Contractors

Subject: COVID-19 Worksite Safety

With daily developments in the COVID-19 health emergency, project site safety has a heightened level of importance and scrutiny. Each City of Phoenix contractor has acknowledged the importance of performing work in a safe manner so as to prevent damage, injury, or loss and should have a Safety Representative designated. The contractor and its Safety Representative are responsible for supervising, implementing, and monitoring all safety precautions and programs related to work on their respective City projects.

At this time, contractors and their Safety Representatives should be reevaluating and modifying their worksite-specific safety plans to account for COVID-19 and to comply with all contractual and legal requirements. In addition to the CDC's guidance ([cdc.gov](https://www.cdc.gov)), we recommend that you review OSHA's guidance on preparing workplaces for COVID-19 ([osha.gov/Publications/OSHA3990.pdf](https://www.osha.gov/Publications/OSHA3990.pdf)) in developing an updated safety plan.

The updated worksite-specific safety plans should be developed within the next week and be provided to the City's Representative for the City's records. The updated safety plans should address the heightened need to protect contractor/subcontractor staff, City staff, and the public. The Contractor should adhere to the updated worksite safety plan and communicate the safety plan to all Subcontractors of all tiers and hold them accountable to the plan.

We are in an extraordinary situation with the health emergency related to COVID-19 (coronavirus) and clearly understand the value of the roles we play in serving the public. The City thanks you for all you do to help build, maintain, and operate our infrastructure and to keep our City running.

With regards,

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