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City of McAllen Wants to Prepare Local Retail Businesses for Updated Opening Guidelines

Must still abide by curbside and social distancing, City of McAllen-approved form required

The City of McAllen would like to help local retail businesses prepare to reopen properly this Friday, April 24, 2020. Aside from maintaining the same requirements as essential business, including social distancing and mask requirements, these retail businesses can **only** operate under curb-side, to-go, or online options. Additionally, all essential businesses and newly re-opened retail businesses will be required to post a **City of McAllen Safe Business Phase 1 Re-Opening Commitment** form, that states they are abiding by all state, county and local guidelines in their operations.

The form, along with a chart indicating which types of businesses are and are not allowed to operate under the State of Texas Governor Greg Abbott's guidelines, can be obtained at the City of McAllen website at <https://www.mcallen.net/covid19/re-opening.html>.

The City of McAllen Safe Business Phase 1 Re-Opening Commitment form must be signed and posted in the business store front. City of McAllen Health & Code Enforcement officers will be conducting checks to ensure that businesses that open-up on Friday are following the proper guidelines and have the commitment forms posted.

For more information regarding the new orders, please contact McAllen's 3-1-1 Customer Service Call Center.

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