A Message from HBAGTA Executive Officer, Robert O'Hara

Governor Whitmer released another Executive Order today, EO 2020-59. The order replaces and builds on EO 2020-42. This order makes no significant change in the restrictions on residential construction, but we expect to hear more from her next week. The full text of the order can be found at:

https://content.govdelivery.com/attachments/MIEOG/2020/04/24/file_attachments/1435194/EO%202020-59.pdf.

The order includes some language that we can expect to guide future relaxation of restrictions:

"Businesses, operations, and government agencies that remain open for in-person work must adhere to sound social distancing practices and measures, which include but are not limited to:

(a) Developing a COVID-19 preparedness and response plan, consistent with recommendations in Guidance on Preparing Workplaces for COVID-19, developed by the Occupational Health and Safety Administration and available here. Such plan must be available at company headquarters or the worksite.

(b) Restricting the number of workers present on premises to no more than is strictly necessary to perform the in-person work permitted under this order.

(c) Promoting remote work to the fullest extent possible.

(d) Keeping workers and patrons who are on premises at least six feet from one another to the maximum extent possible.

(e) Increasing standards of facility cleaning and disinfection to limit worker and patron exposure to COVID-19, as well as adopting protocols to clean and disinfect in the event of a positive COVID-19 case in the workplace.

(f) Adopting policies to prevent workers from entering the premises if they display respiratory symptoms or have had contact with a person with a confirmed diagnosis of COVID-19.

(g) Any other social distancing practices and mitigation measures recommended by the CDC.

(h) For businesses and operations whose in-person work is permitted under sections 10(c) through 10(e) of this order, the following additional measures must also be taken:

(1) Barring gatherings of any size in which people cannot maintain six feet of distance from one another.

(2) Limiting in-person interaction with clients and patrons to the maximum extent possible, and barring

any such interaction in which people cannot maintain six feet of distance from one another.

(3) Providing personal protective equipment such as gloves, goggles, face shields, and face masks as appropriate for the activity being performed.

(4) Adopting protocols to limit the sharing of tools and equipment to the maximum extent possible and to ensure frequent and thorough cleaning of tools, equipment, and frequently touched surfaces.

As we anticipate going back to work, I hear from a number of contractors that they are having trouble finding personal protective equipment for their workers. Executive Officers from across the state are working on putting together a list of resources that might help you with that problem. Look for that list in coming days.

In the meantime, use your downtime to build your knowledge and plan for the future. Here are a few recordings of recent webinars you might find helpful:

Topic: Group Health Insurance with 44 North Meeting Recording: <u>https://us02web.zoom.us/rec/share/9JBZAI631VtIGIHLqxvDY6p4I5-</u> mT6a80yVM_fdZmE9BJZHj8_CUkSkQKDHfQuRg

Topic: Business Insurance/Q&A and Cost Savings Meeting Recording: <u>https://us02web.zoom.us/rec/share/xO9td5DUrTxLXbflzhvnS7EFF7vHT6a80yEa_voJyxzudMwAOta-1QWzGSLqCP7F</u>

Topic: MIOSHA Top 25 Violations & Top 10 Fatalities

Meeting Recording: <u>https://zoom.us/rec/share/w-</u> <u>FcF6jg12RJWYWW5hCEGe0RQK20eaa82nJKqfZemhza9VNHzw7x9fOApXjcTF26</u>

Topic: 7 Ways To Remain Upbeat Instead of Beat-up - Kyle Hunt Meeting Recording: <u>https://zoom.us/rec/share/485VEbbp2HIJYYGU7k3ec7IONZzJX6a813UZqfBby00-JT-QcHzWV2rSUQGvtMcF</u>

Topic: COVID-19 Recommended Best Practices for Construction Worksites Meeting Recording: <u>https://zoom.us/rec/share/5dYkd6Dvq0hOfY3x-gKHXIIkJ4jjT6a82yEY_qYFxRzy1MPuZ-NTNpZfeRLoae-v</u>

Topic: Top Framing Errors Meeting Recording: https://zoom.us/rec/share/5JZyLYH67j1IYpHd9RnEBLEwNL3gaaa8hikb_aAEykdbu4sbeumBM2DKtg8 7b5ro

and a two-part webinar entitled, "Keep Your Traffic Flowing: A Marketing Playbook For COVID-19": <u>https://www.doyouconvert.com/marketing-covid19/</u>

We have extended our HBA Foundation scholarship application deadline to April 28. Interested students should apply at: <u>https://gtrcf.academicworks.com/opportunities/695</u>

Have a great weekend. I will share more information with you, as we learn it.

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