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George W. Smith, Jr., Director

Date: Thursday, August 19, 2021
To: All Permit Applicants
From: George W. Smith Jr, Director of Inspections, City of Hinesville, GA.
RE: COVID-19 Exposure Prevention Precautions

Dear Applicant,

Due to the increased number of cases of COVID-19 from the Delta variant to our region, we want to keep you updated on the Department of Inspection's safety protocols for COVID-19.

The Delta variant of the Covid-19 virus has been proven to be highly transmissible.

It is noted that Liberty County currently has an extremely high Community Transmission Index and that fully vaccinated and unvaccinated individuals alike are becoming infected and could spread the virus to others.

Due to these factors, the following precautionary measures will apply during all inspections until further notice:

1. The areas of a building or structure that is required to be inspected must be unoccupied during all scheduled inspections.
2. We ask that masks be worn by everyone during all interactions with inspectors. This includes all areas within the immediate inspection areas of the worksite.
3. Social distancing of at least 6' must be maintained between customer and inspectors at all times with masks and at least 10 feet without masks.
4. Under no circumstances will there be any interactions between customers and inspectors inside of enclosed buildings.

We understand that this may be an inconvenience however, the health of our inspectors and customers are the utmost importance and these procedures are in place to protect the health of everyone that we interact with during our regular business activities and are subject to change due to changing conditions.

Your understanding, and consideration of the well-being of others will be greatly appreciated.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

George W Smith Jr, CBO, BCO
Director, Department of Inspections
City of Hinesville

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