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Public Notification

Governor Wolf has recently approved the resumption of Construction with limitations within the State of Pennsylvania effective Friday, May 1, 2020. The Bureau of Engineering and Traffic Planning and Control are prepared to comply with this directive and resume inspections and state and locally funded construction projects of public works, land developments, public utility projects, and all other work in the public right of way, in accordance with the attached requirements from the Governor's Office. Any new or restarting state or locally funded construction projects must follow the [Pennsylvania Department of Transportation and Health](#) guidelines.

In addition to these guidelines, The Bureau of Engineering and Traffic Planning and Control will implement the following additional requirements in the interest of the safety of both our residents, inspectors and our technicians, who travel to multiple construction job sites on a daily basis:

The entire work area must be blocked off with fencing or barriers to ensure distance between workers, inspectors, and residents. No more than ONE contractor representative and ONE Inspector and /or one technician may be on the job site at the same time during inspections. The job site shall be vacated of all other workers during the time of the inspection. The work to be inspected shall be ready for the inspection at the pre-scheduled appointment time.

Should any of the above requirements not be adhered to on any job site, the inspection shall be cancelled and rescheduled at a time when all safety requirements listed above have been met. No additional work may be done at the job until an inspection of the site has taken place.

At this time all City buildings remain closed to the public, but we are processing permits via email. Please go to www.allentownpa.gov/Public-Works/Engineering and follow the instructions. When city buildings are close to opening, new guidelines for getting permits will be posted on the engineering page of the City of Allentown website.

For inspections, please contact the Engineering office at 610-437-7596, and NOT the inspector on your permit. Additional information can be obtained by contacting Kyle Sergent, Construction Operations Manager, at 610-437-7596 Ext 2268 or Kyle.Sergent@allentownpa.gov.

We appreciate your compliance and patience during this transitional period to ensure we are keeping all involved safe.

Sincerely,

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Director of Public Works