Tarrant County Letter

Dear Property Tax Consultants,

As we continually monitor the fluid situation with COVID-19, we ask for your patience and understanding. The appraisal district is currently following the "stay at home work safe" order issued by Tarrant County, City of Fort Worth and City of Arlington. Many are working remotely and we hope this order will be lifted soon. Regardless, we will remain vigilant about limiting face to face interaction.

There are many questions regarding mailing of notices and the subsequent protest season. Discussions between Texas Appraisal District associations and the Texas Legislative and Executive branches have taken place in an effort to make realistic accommodations for the 2020 notice and protest season. I am hopeful something can be done.

As for now, our target date for mailing commercial value notices is May 1<sup>st</sup>. The protest deadline will be June 1<sup>st</sup>. We intend to begin some form of informal discussions the week of May 4<sup>th</sup> or the Monday following notice mailing. We have yet to formalize a plan for these discussions. Be assured, the process will be in compliance with the social distancing requirements in place at that time.

Once you have received your notice(s), our initial evidence for your account(s) will be available via the link on your appraisal notice or your agent portal. We may be updating this evidence periodically, prior to your scheduled ARB hearing. Our plan is to make staff available to you through scheduled "conference call appointments" and have email addresses available for you to share your documentation. We will notify you of more specific information in your notice mailing. You may also monitor our website for updates.

First and foremost, be safe. We will navigate these most unusual times one week, or one day, at a time.

Regards, David Law