PRESS RELEASE

Fort Bend County Tax Office

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Tax Office Drive Thru in Richmond Closed Until Further Notice

In an effort to comply with county guidelines to focus on providing essential services, the Fort Bend County Tax Office has closed its Richmond drive thru effective Monday, March 23, 2020.

"Due to Governor Abbott extending deadlines and waiving penalties for automobile transactions, as well as Comptroller Glenn Hager waving sales tax penalties, it is not essential for county residents to perform any auto-related transactions at this time," said Carrie Surratt, Fort Bend County Tax Assessor-Collector. "We are encouraging customers to limit their travel to essential activities such as visiting the grocery store or pharmacy. Hopefully, the Governor's policy will relieve some stress and anxiety related to automobile transactions for our community as we work through this pandemic."

The Tax Office will remain open in a limited capacity to process property taxes and auto transactions by mail, online, and drop box. Each of the six Fort Bend County Tax Offices have a drop box outside of the building. Please do not place any cash in these boxes; submit payment by check, cashier's check or money order only. All drop boxes will be checked daily.

Additional information can be found on the Fort Bend County Tax Office website (www.fortbendcountytx.gov/taxoffice), social media, as well as by calling 281-341-3710.