

CITY OF RENO
BUSINESS LICENSE & CODE ENFORCEMENT DIVISIONS



COURTESY NOTICE

ENFORCEMENT OF NEVADA HEALTH RESPONSE COVID-19 RISK MITIGATION INITIATIVES

Reno, Nevada (May 29, 2020) — The City of Reno appreciates all businesses within the community and would like to first thank you for helping us get through this public health emergency. The City of Reno acknowledges the sacrifices made by businesses, and acknowledges that you provide employment for our residents and contribute to the local economy and tax base. Unfortunately, the country, the state of Nevada, and the City of Reno are still dealing with the negative impacts of Coronavirus, also known as COVID-19.

On May 7, 2020, Governor Sisolak announced that the Phase 1 business reopening plan would begin on Saturday, May 9, 2020. The Governor further announced Phase 2 would begin on Friday, May 29, 2020. During these phases, certain businesses and industries will be able to reopen their doors as long as requirements are in place for the health and safety of the employees and the general public. The Washoe County Phase 1 and Phase 2 Guidelines provide both mandatory protocols and recommendations to curtail the spread of COVID-19 during the gradual reopening of our economy.

The businesses required to remain closed to the public during the Phase 2 reopening period include, but are not limited to: nightclubs, day clubs, brothels, adult entertainment establishments, and live sporting events and live performances with spectators.

The City of Reno is requesting and hoping that this current public health emergency can be addressed in collaboration with all residents and business owners. The City of Reno **has no desire to take enforcement action** on businesses. However, under the authority provided in **NRS 414** and **RMC Chapters 4.04 & 8.34**, the City can enforce the Governor's directives and declarations through multiple actions, which include (but are not limited to): ***citations up to \$1,000 per day, misdemeanor citations, and summary suspension or revocation of a business license***. Enforcement action may be taken against owners or employees in control of the business.

Please take this courtesy notice as an opportunity to comply with the Governor's directives and declarations. Our collective success is reliant on how quickly we can minimize the spread of COVID-19 within the community. If you have any questions or seek clarification on allowable business activity for individual businesses, please feel free to contact the City at businesslic@reno.gov or (775) 334-2090.

Remember, the goal of this initiative is to protect the health and safety of Nevadans. Thank you in advance for complying, and thank you for assisting the City of Reno in keeping our community safe.

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