



### Press Release

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## **City Unveils New Post-Storm Reentry Plan**

Galveston, Texas

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The City of Galveston unveiled the new post-storm reentry plan during the City Council workshop and meeting last week. The plan details a phased reentry for islanders depending on the severity of the storm.

Notably, the City of Galveston and regional authorities will no longer recognize the long used reentry decals nor the color-coded cards. No pass of any kind will be issued by the city in 2006.

Identification will be required to reenter the island following a mandatory evacuation. Galveston Island residents and business owners must present one of the following:

- Current Texas drivers license/Texas identification card with Galveston address; or
- Current City of Galveston utility bill and picture ID; or
- Recent Galveston County property tax statement with Galveston address and picture ID; or
- Proof of employment from a City of Galveston addressed business with picture ID.

Depending largely on the degree of damage and threat to public safety, the City of Galveston officials have developed two phased plans that can be initiated post storm: LOOK & LEAVE and COMEBACK.

City officials will assess the condition of the island's infrastructure and its capability to support the basic needs of the citizens wishing to return before initiating this phase. The severity and location of the damage on the island including water/sewer service, electric service, and debris removal conditions being mindful of the basic health, safety, and welfare of the island residents will all be taken into consideration.

Residents and business owners are urged to stay informed as to post-storm reentry points and procedures. The following outlets will provide updated information for the City of Galveston as well as City of Jamaica Beach:

- City of Galveston website: [www.cityofgalveston.org](http://www.cityofgalveston.org)
- City of Galveston Time Warner Cable Municipal Channel #16
- Weather Channel scroll
- KTRH 740 am Radio

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