

# *Important* Please Read

- I. ***Retirees, Retirees' Spouses and Surviving Spouses – Turning 65 in the remainder of 2019 or 2020 (and have not received a letter from HR Benefits)?***
  - a. **If you turn 65 and are eligible for Medicare (have earned 40 credits)**, please call Social Security at 800-772-1213 three months prior to your birthday month to enroll in Part A and B. When you receive your Medicare Card, call 817-392-8644 to enroll into the City's Medicare Retiree Health Plan.
  - b. **If you turn 65 and are not eligible for Medicare (have not earned 40 credits)**, but your spouse is eligible for Medicare and is age 62 or older, please call Social Security three months before your birthday month at 800-772-1213 or visit [www.socialsecurity.gov](http://www.socialsecurity.gov) to determine what Medicare options are available to you; you should be able to enroll under your spouse's eligibility. (If not, please follow the instructions under c below).
  - c. **If you turn 65 and will never be eligible for Medicare (and have not already been contacted by HR Benefits)**, call 817-392-8644 to schedule an one on one session to discuss your options.
- II. **Disability Retirees**
  - a. If you retired due to a disability and receive Medicare, you should enroll in Part A and B and contact HR Benefits at 817-392-8644 to enroll into the City's Medicare Retiree Health Plan.

Failure to enroll into Part B when you reach age 65 will result in your being charged a 10% penalty (by Social Security) for every 12-month period you did not enroll and your enrollment would be delayed until July 1<sup>st</sup> of the year you enrolled during January through March. This can also result in increased payments for medical services while you await your effective enrollment into Part B in July.

For full medical benefits through the City's Medicare plan, you must enroll in Medicare Part B. If you are currently enrolled in Medicare Part A, you are eligible for Part B as well.

## **Please mail a copy of your Medicare card to:**

City of Fort Worth  
Attn: HR Benefits  
200 Texas St.  
Fort Worth, TX 76102  
Or fax a copy to 817-392-2624.

