IN THE MUNICIPAL COURT OF SEATTLE, WASHINGTON OFFICE OF THE PRESIDING JUDGE

COURT OPERATIONS UNDER)
THE EXIGENT)
CIRCUMSTANCES CREATED)
BY COVID-19 AND)
RELATED CORONAVIRUS)

GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

No. 2020 - 02

COVID-19

PURSUANT TO order No. 25700-B-602 of The Supreme Court of Washington, as Presiding Judge of the Seattle Municipal Court, in the interest of public safety during the COVID-19 public health crisis and following the recommendation of King County Public Health for individuals at higher risk (e.g. those over 60 years of age, those with underlying health conditions, those who are pregnant) to stay at home and away from large groups of people and to feasibly avoid bringing large groups of people together;

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

- 1. All future set in-person appearances for mitigation and contested hearings in Courtroom 201 will be set for administrative by mail appearances only.
- 2. IRLJ 2.6(a)(1)(i) is suspended until further order of the court. Written notice of the hearing may be sent more than 45 days from the notice of infraction.
- 3. SMCLIR 3.5(b) is amended to allow for the defendant's appeal of a decision based on written statements for a contested hearing.

DONE this <u>971+</u> day of <u>MAVUT</u>, 2020

Edward McKenna, PRESIDING JUDGE