

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING
RIVER OAKS CITY COUNCIL
MARCH 31, 2020**

MEMBERS PRESENT:

MAYOR PRO TEM JOE ASHTON
COUNCIL MEMBER STEVE HOLLAND
COUNCIL MEMBER DAN CHISHOLM
COUNCIL MEMBER JOHN CLARIDGE
COUNCIL MEMBER DARREN HOUK

STAFF PRESENT:

CITY MANAGER MARVIN GREGORY
CITY SECRETARY PAULA LUCK
POLICE CHIEF CHRIS SPIELDENNER
EMERGENCY MGT JAMES MYRICK
CITY ATTORNEY BETSY ELAM

ABSENT:

MAYOR HERMAN EARWOOD

1. CALL TO ORDER

With a quorum present, Mayor Pro Tem Ashton called the Special Meeting of the River Oaks City Council to order at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 31, 2020 at River Oaks City Hall, 4900 River Oaks Blvd., River Oaks, Texas 76114.

2. INVOCATION

Mayor Pro Tem Ashton delivered the Invocation.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO UNITED STATES FLAG AND THE TEXAS FLAG

Mayor Pro Tem Ashton led the Pledges of Allegiance to the United States and the Texas Flags.

4. PUBLIC TESTIMONY: CITIZENS TO SPEAK ON ANY TOPIC OR ANY AGENDA ITEM BEFORE AN DURING THE MEETING BY RAISING YOUR HAND TO BE RECOGNIZED; HOWEVER, UNLESS THE ITEM IS SPECIFICALLY NOTED ON THIS AGENDA, THE CITY COUNCIL IS REQUIRED UNDER THE TEXAS OPEN MEETINGS ACT TO LIMIT ITS RESPONSE WITH A STATEMENT OF SPECIFIC FACTUAL INFORMATION, RECITING THE CITY'S EXISTING POLICY ON THAT ISSUE, OR DIRECTING THE PERSON MAKING THE INQUIRY TO VISIT WITH CITY STAFF ABOUT THAT ISSUE, AND NO COUNCIL DELIBERATION IS PERMITTED FOR TOPICS NOT SPECIFICALLY LISTED ON THIS AGENDA.

5. **CONSENT AGENDA** ALL ITEMS UNDER THIS SECTION ARE RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL FOR THE "CONSENT AGENDA". THESE ITEMS ARE OF A ROUTINE NATURE AND REQUIRE ONLY BRIEF DELIBERATION BY COUNCIL. **COUNCIL RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REMOVE ANY ITEM ON THE CONSENT AGENDA FOR FURTHER DELIBERATION**

A. APPROVE MINUTES OF MARCH 23, 2020 SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

CM Chisholm moved, seconded by CM Claridge to approve the Consent Agenda Item #A. All voted "Aye".

6. DISCUSSION OR ACTION TAKEN ON ITEMS WITHDRAWN FROM CONSENT AGENDA FOR SEPARATE DELIBERATION.

NONE

ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS REQUIRING COUNCIL APPROVAL/ACTION:

7. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF ORDINANCE #1276-2020 CONSENTING AND EXTENDING THE THIRD AMENDMENT DECLARATION OF LOCAL DISASTER AND ORDER OF THE MAYOR; IMPOSING A PENALTY FOR VIOLATION THEREOF.

The Tarrant County Executive Order is thru April 7, 2020. River Oaks has closed the parks and recreational areas and the City Hall lobby is closed to the public. Today the Governor ordered churches as essential and can have service if they cannot televise it over social media or by other means. But they have to comply with the social distancing rule. River Oaks can extend their order thru the end of April.

Mayor Pro Tem Ashton moved, seconded by CM Claridge to approve Ordinance #1276-2020 consenting and extending the third amendment declaration of local disaster and order of the Mayor imposing a penalty for violation thereof with the provision that it will extend thru April 30, 2020 as the President's current guild lines do and that if anything is in conflict with the county or the state with the understating that there may be parts that are not necessarily enforceable right now but they will be enforceable as the higher authorities will allow. All voted "Aye".

OTHER ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION:

8. DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION ON UPDATES FROM THE CITY MANAGER ADVISING THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL ON PERSONNEL, CITY'S FISCAL CONDITION, FUTURE NEEDS OF THE CITY, SCHEDULING OF COUNCIL WORK SESSIONS AND OTHER CITY MANAGER RECOMMENDATIONS.

CM Gregory went over the FMLA revisions.

CORRESPONDENCE:

9. COUNCIL MEMBER QUESTIONS, COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS.

EMC Myrick-there is a positive case in River Oaks; two positive cases in Sansom Park; two positive cases in Lakeside; possible one positive in Lake Worth. There are two River Oaks Police Officers that are in quarantine and one River Oaks Water Treatment Plant employee.

PC Spieldenner-the two Police Officers are volunteer quarantines. One got tested today, and the other is almost done with the 14 day quarantine.

Mayor Pro Tem Ashton-thanked staff for their hard work and the City Council for having this meeting remotely.

NONE

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

10. CONVENE IN EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 551, TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE: THE COUNCIL RESERVES THE RIGHT TO CONVENE IN EXECUTIVE SESSIONS(S) FROM TIME TO TIME ON ANY POSTED AGENDA ITEM TO RECEIVE ADVICE FROM ITS ATTORNEY AS PERMITTED BY LAW DURING THIS MEETING. THE COUNCIL MAY CONVENE IN EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS THE FOLLOWING:

- a. Section 551.071 Pending or contemplated litigation or to seek advice from attorney.
- b. Section 551.072 Discussion regarding possible sale, lease or acquisition of real estate.
- c. Section 551.074 Personnel matters – To deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment of duties, discipline or dismissal of a Public Officer or Employee or to hear a complaint or charge against an Officer or Employee.
- d. Section 551.076 Deliberation regarding security devices.

NONE

RECONVENE:

11. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF ANY ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

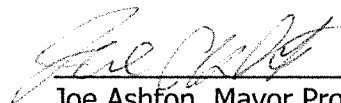
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ADJOURN:

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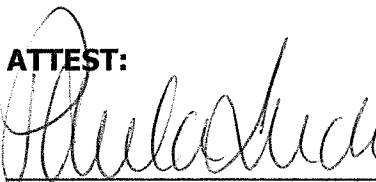
At 6:21 p.m., Mayor Pro Tem Ashton moved, seconded by CM Claridge to adjourn the meeting. All voted "Aye".

APPROVED:



Joe Ashton, Mayor Pro-Tem

ATTEST:



Paula Luck, City Secretary