



Special Called City Council Meeting  
Official Meeting Minutes  
April 30, 2020  
Office of the City Clerk

CITY HALL 2 PARK PLAZA

11:00 AM

**Official Minutes**

The public is advised that the following minutes are not a verbatim transcription of business presented at the Council Meeting of the date shown; but are a synopsis of pertinent information. The public is further advised that the tapes recorded at said meeting are a matter of public record and are available to be heard at the City of Alpharetta's Clerk's office during normal business hours.

Please note that, due to ongoing efforts to encourage "social distancing" in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, this meeting was conducted virtually using Zoom Meetings. This platform will allow for the public and media to attend the meeting just as they could any other regular City Council Meeting but do so from a computer or telephone.

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

- *Mayor Gilvin called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m.*

**II. ROLL CALL**

• **Council Members**

- Mayor Jim Gilvin
- Mayor Pro Tem Donald F. Mitchell
- Jason Binder
- Ben Burnett
- John Hipes
- Dan Merkel
- Karen Richard

• **Staff**

- Bob Regus, City Administrator
- Sam Thomas, City Attorney
- James Drinkard, Asst. City Administrator
- Erin Cobb, City Clerk
- Peter Sewczwicz, Director of Public Works
- Morgan Rodgers, Director of Recreation, Parks & Cultural Services
- Tom Harris, Director of Finance
- Kathi Cook, Director of Community Development
- John Robison, Director of Public Safety
- Cris Randall, Director of Human Resources

- **Staff Cont.**
  - o Randy Bundy, Director of Information Technology
  - o Michael Woodman, Senior Planner
  - o Rita Tracey, Director of Court Services
  - o Elle Taylor, Planning & Zoning Coordinator
  - o Geoff Sarra, Senior Engineer CIP
  - o Jim Cheatham, Chief Public Affairs Officer

### III. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

### IV. NEW BUSINESS

#### A. OMNIBUS STATE OF EMERGENCY ORDINANCE - Continued Closure of City Facilities and Small Business Relief

- The City Attorney presented an ordinance providing for the continued closure of City Facilities and the extension of small business relief in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.
- The City Attorney is recommending Mayor and Council adopt, as presented, the Omnibus State of Emergency Ordinance - Continued Closure of City Facilities and Small Business Relief.
- On Thursday, April 23, 2020, the Governor issued an Executive Order entitled "Reviving a Healthy Georgia" requiring all residents and visitors of the State of Georgia to practice social distancing, wear face coverings, and practice sanitation; limiting gatherings of persons; directing certain residents to shelter-in-place; requiring Critical-Infrastructure, non-Critical Infrastructure, including restaurants, dining services, retail, and other businesses, establishments, corporations, non-profit corporations, and organizations to implement various measures to prevent the spread of COVID-19; and imposing other rules and regulations.
- The Reviving a Healthy Georgia Executive Order authorizes municipalities to issue ordinances as necessary for emergency management purposes and to supplement the Reviving a Healthy Georgia Executive Order.
- The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (the "CDC") of the Department of Health and Human Services of the United States of America indicates that there is evidence of widespread community transmission of COVID-19 in Georgia; and COVID-19 has continued to spread in the metropolitan Atlanta area.
- The Mayor and City Council intend to reenact certain provisions of the emergency ordinance adopted on April 1, 2020, including a Declaration of State of Emergency; continued closure of all City Facilities (except greenways and trails); and continued small business assistance.
- City Administrator, Bob Regus, briefly discussed a multi-phase plan for re-opening City facilities, which Staff is currently working on.
- City Attorney, Sam Thomas, read the ordinance aloud.

**Public Comment:**

- No Public Comment
  
- ❖ Council Member Hipes offered a motion to adopt an Omnibus State of Emergency Ordinance for Continued Closure of City Facilities and Small Business Relief
  - The motion received a second from Council Member Merkel
  - The motion was approved unanimously (7-0)

**V. ADJOURNMENT**

- ❖ With no further business to discuss or items to be heard, Mayor Gilvin adjourned the meeting at 11:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Erin Cobb". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Erin Cobb, City Clerk