SPECIAL CALLED MEETING March 30, 2020 at 11:26 a.m.

CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ABILENE, TEXAS COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL

The City Council of the City of Abilene, Texas met in Special Session on the March 23, 2020, at 11:15 a.m. in the Council Chambers, 555 Walnut St. Due to technical difficulties, the actual meeting did not begin until 11:26 a.m. Mayor Anthony Williams was present and presiding with Mayor Pro-tem Weldon Hurt, Deputy Mayor Pro-tem Donna Albus and Councilmembers Shane Price, Jack Rentz, Kyle McAlister and Travis Craver. Also present were City Manager Robert Hanna, City Attorney Stanley Smith, and City Secretary Shawna Atkinson.

Deputy Mayor Pro-tem Donna Albus delivered the invocation, and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America and State of Texas Flag.

This meeting was broadcast over a teleconference to allow the public to call in via telephone, since the meeting and City Hall were closed to the public during the current disaster situation.

AGENDA ITEMS

 Resolution: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Public Hearing, and Take Action on Extending the Mayor's Declaration of Local Disaster Issued March 23, 2020.
[ASSIGNED RESOLUTION NO. 67-2020]

Mayor Williams read through the proposed Resolution that extends the Disaster Declaration issued on March 23, 2020, and issues a limited Shelter In Place order, valid until April 14, 2020 at 11:59 p.m. City Manager Robert Hanna reiterated the Resolution, clarified which businesses/activities need to close or cease, and why this needs to happen in order to preserve public health and safety. Council and Staff discussed the order in further detail.

Mayor Williams opened the public hearing. Citizens addressed Council and Staff via telephone conference and asked questions regarding the Limited Shelter in Place order and what is and isn't allowed. Council and Staff answered questions to the best of their ability. When no other speakers came forward, the public hearing was closed.

Councilmember Craver moved to approve the item as presented. Councilmember Rentz seconded the motion; the motion carried.

AYES (7): Mayor Williams, Mayor Pro-tem Hurt, Deputy Mayor Pro-tem Albus and Councilmembers Price, Rentz, McAlister and Craver NAYS (0): None

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 1:17 p.m.

Shawna Atkinson City Secretary

Minutes approved on:

Anthony Williams Mayor