



THE CITY OF WHITTIER

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**WHITTIER CITY COUNCIL
EMERGENCY SPECIAL MEETING
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 25, 2020
6:00 PM
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING**

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Dave Dickason called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

2. OPENING CEREMONY

Mayor Dave Dickason led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. ROLL CALL

A. Council members present and establishing a quorum: Peter Denmark, Debra Hicks, Monty Irvin, Tom Wagner, David Pinquoch, Victor Shen, and Dave Dickason

B. Administration Present:

Jim Hunt, City Manager
Naelene Matsumiya, City Clerk,
Kris Erchinger, Finance Director
Scott Korbe, Public Works Director
Andre Achee, Interim Chief of Police
Holly Wells, City Attorney

Others present: Paul Mueller, David McCourtney, and Cathy McCord

4. APPROVAL OF THE SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA

MOTION: Monty Irvin made a motion to approve the Special Meeting Agenda

SECOND: Tom Wagner

DISCUSSION: None

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously

5. PROCLAMATION

A. City of Whittier, Alaska City Manager proclamation of Emergency and Emergency Order 2020-01

Jim read the Proclamation to the Council.

6. ORDINANCES

(Emergency Ordinance)

A. Emergency Ord. #01-2020 – An Emergency Ordinance Ratifying The City Manager’s Proclamation Of A Local Emergency And Acknowledgement Of The State-Declared Emergency Resulting From The Outbreak Of COVID-19 In Alaska; Activating The City’s Emergency Disaster Plans And Laws; And Temporarily Suspending And/Or Modifying Various Sections Of The Whittier Municipal Code And City Of Whittier Procedures Regarding Public Meetings Notice And Scheduling, Personnel, Procurement, And Code Enforcement In Order To Protect And Preserve The Health, Safety, And Welfare Of The Whittier Community During A State And Local Public Health Emergency Resulting From COVID-19

Seeing no one for public testimony, Council moved to approve

MOTION: Monty Irvin made a motion to approve Emergency Ordinance #01-2020.

SECOND: Debra Hicks

DISCUSSION: Jim and Holly spoke about the Ordinance and answered questions from the Dias.

VOTE: Passed unanimously

7. RESOLUTIONS

A. Resolution #14-2020- A Resolution Of The City Council Of The City Of Whittier, Alaska Ratifying Temporary Emergency Operation Rules And Procedures Implemented By The City Manager In Response To The COVID-19 Public Health Emergency

MOTION: Debra Hicks made a motion to adopt Res. #14-2020

SECOND: Tom Wagner

DISCUSSION: Jim and Holly explained the resolution to the Council. Cathy and Paul took turns explaining their company’s efforts during COVID-19 and indicated to the Council what to expect in the coming months. Council discussed the resolution further.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously

8. COUNCIL DISCUSSION

Holly apologized for not being able to attend the meeting as she is self-isolating after a trip.

9. CITIZEN’S DISCUSSION

None


10. COUNCIL AND ADMINISTRATION’S RESPONSE TO CITIZEN’S COMMENTS

None

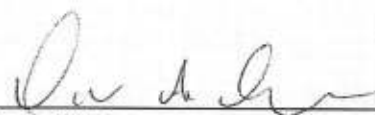
11. ADJOURNMENT

All were in favor of adjourning the meeting at 7:42 p.m.

ATTEST:



Naefene Matsumiya
City Clerk



Dave Dickason
Mayor