WILLMAR CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
EMERGENCY MEETING
VIA TELE-CONFERENCE
WILLMAR, MINNESOTA

May 29, 2020
12:00 p.m.

The emergency meeting of the Willmar City Council was called to order by the Honorable Mayor Marv Calvin. Members present on a roll call were Mayor Marv Calvin, Council Members Rick Fagerlie, Shawn Mueske, Kathy Schwantes, Vicki Davis, Fernando Alvarado, Julie Asmus, and Audrey Nelsen. Present 8, Absent 1. Council Member Plowman was excused from the meeting.

Also present were City Administrator Brian Gramentz, City Planner Sarah Swedburg, and City Clerk Judy Thompson.

There were no additions or deletions to the agenda.

Mayor Calvin asked for a moment of silence to remember the unrest that's happening and ask for peace for our communities, our country, and the State of Minnesota.

Council Member Fagerlie presented a request from the Community Development Committee for consideration of an emergency ordinance for commercial use of public property. Current Municipal Code allows for commercial businesses to utilize public sidewalk space in front of their building when certain criteria are met. In response to Governor Walz's executive order providing guidelines on the first phase of restaurant reopening, City Attorney Robert Scott and staff have drafted an emergency ordinance to allow for the commercial use of public property as follows: 1) public property must be directly abutting the brick and mortar location of the business; 2) bright, visible barricades demarcating the commercial use of public property; 3) proof of insurance must be provided (City added as additional insured); 4) businesses selling alcohol must complete an additional agreement with the City, and; 5) allowance for administrative approval of temporary street closure requests.

Following discussion, Council Member Fagerlie offered a motion to adopt, assign a number and order final publication of **Ordinance No. 1451 An Emergency Ordinance Temporarily Permitting Limited Sales of Goods and Delivery of Services within Public Rights-of-Way and Other City Property During the COVID – 19 Local Emergency.** Council Member Alvarado seconded the motion, which carried on a roll call vote of Ayes 7, Noes 0.

Council Member Fagerlie offered a motion to approve publication of said emergency ordinance temporarily permitting limited sales of goods and delivery of services within public rights-of way and other city property during the COVID-19 local emergency by summary due to the length and cost of publishing entire Ordinance. Council Member Mueske seconded the motion, which carried on a roll call vote of Ayes 7, Noes 0.

Council Members thanked staff for their hard work and quick response to this matter.

Council Member Fagerlie offered a motion to adjourn the meeting with Council Member Mueske seconding the motion which carried. The meeting adjourned at 12:20 p.m.

s/s Marv Calvin
MAYOR

Attest:

s/s Judy Thompson
SECRETARY TO THE COUNCIL