

MINUTES

SPECIAL ABERDEEN CITY COUNCIL MEETING

City Council Chambers, 123 South Lincoln Street, Municipal Building, Aberdeen, South Dakota, April 29, 2020 at 5:30 p.m., special meeting of the Board of City Council Members, Mayor Travis Schaunaman presiding. Present at roll call were City Council Members Mark Remily by teleconference, Rob Ronayne, Dave Lunzman by teleconference, Josh Rife by teleconference, Alan Johnson, David Bunsness, Dennis “Mike” Olson by teleconference, and Clint Rux. City Staff present were Lynn Lander by teleconference, Ron Wager by teleconference, Robin Bobzien by teleconference, Brett Bill by teleconference, Karl Alberts, Dave McNeil by teleconference, Mark Hoven by teleconference, and Rich Krokkel by teleconference. Dr. Michael Buttolph, Dr. David Wachs, David Novstrup, Michael Bockorny, Gail Ochs, Duane Sutton, and Ashley Erickson were present.

Mayor Schaunaman led the Pledge of Allegiance.

NEW BUSINESS

DISCUSSION AND PASSAGE OF RESOLUTION NO. 20-04-07R

Discussion was held on the possible first reading and passage of a resolution extending Emergency Ordinance No. 3 regarding the novel Coronavirus COVID-19 Public Health Crisis. The Task Force created to discuss the resolution regarding the COVID-19 Public Health Crisis included Dr. Michael Buttolph, Dr. David Wachs, David Novstrup, Michael Bockorny, Gail Ochs, Duane Sutton, Ashley Erickson, Council Member Rife, and Mayor Schaunaman. During the council discussion, three versions of the resolution and many amendments were offered for consideration.

Motion by Johnson, second by Rife to approve the Task Force Resolution. Motion by Johnson, second by Rife to replace the word “Develop” in 2(c) with “Implement”. Upon roll call vote, all voting aye, motion carried. Motion by Ronayne, second by Rux to amend by replacing Task Force Resolution with Substitute Resolution. Motion by Bunsness, second by Ronayne, to replace 2(i) in Substitute Resolution with 2(e) from Task Force Resolution to read as follows: “Implement daily health screening protocol per CDC guidelines for all employees.” Upon roll call vote, all voting aye, motion carried. Motion by Bunsness, second by Rux, to add “Employers should plan to respond in a flexible way to varying levels of disease transmission in the community and be prepared to refine their business response plans as needed.” after the last sentence of Paragraph 3. of Substitute Resolution. Upon roll call vote, all voting aye, motion carried. Motion by Ronayne, second by Bunsness to amend 2(a) of Substitute Resolution by adding “of not more than 6 persons” after “dining party.” Motion by Bunsness, second by Rux, to change “6” to “10.” Upon roll call vote, Rux, Olson, Bunsness, Johnson, Rife, Lunzman, Remily, and Mayor Schaunaman voting aye, Ronayne voting nay, motion carried. Upon roll call vote on amendment as amended to add “of not more than 10 persons” after “dining party”, all voting aye, motion carried. On the motion to

replace the Task Force Resolution with the Substitute Resolution, as amended, upon roll call vote, Remily, Ronayne, Lunzman, Bunsness, Olson, Rux voting aye, Johnson, Rife, and Mayor Schaunaman voting nay, motion carried. Motion by Bunsness, second by Rife to replace “CDC” in 2(i), as amended, with “South Dakota Department of Health”. Upon roll call vote, all voting aye, motion carried. Motion by Ronayne, second by Bunsness to add “7” to the paragraphs identified in the first line of Paragraph 2 of the Substitute Resolution and to delete “and 7” from Paragraph 7 of the Substitute Resolution. Upon roll call vote, all voting aye, motion carried. No further amendments being offered, Mayor Schaunaman called for the vote on the main motion to approve the Substitute Resolution No. 20-04-07R, as amended. Upon roll call vote, all voting aye, motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 20-04-07R

RESOLUTION EXTENDING ORDINANCE NO. 20-04-05

COVID-19 EMERGENCY ORDINANCE NO. 3

WHEREAS, the Aberdeen City Council adopted COVID-19 Emergency Ordinance No. 3 (Ordinance No. 20-04-05) (“emergency ordinance”) implementing certain measures which it deemed necessary to slow the community spread of the virus responsible for the COVID-19 disease; and

WHEREAS, aided by the voluntary compliance of most residents and businesses with the social distancing and hygiene practices recommended by the CDC, such measures have helped in slowing the community spread of the virus and providing a basis to begin reopening businesses and other public gathering places within the community; and

WHEREAS, the emergency ordinance shall be repealed, in part or in whole, on the day following each regular or special meeting of the City Council, *unless* the City Council at such regular or special meeting by resolution affirms (1) the continued existence of the public health emergency, and (2) the necessity of all or certain parts of the social distancing measures set forth in Section A, Paragraphs 1 - 7, and extends all or any part of the ordinance for the day following the next regular or special meeting of the City Council.

WHEREAS, based on the number of cases in Brown County, the almost complete lack of hospitalization in the City, and the available modeling, the City Council believes some of the social distancing restrictions can be modified to allow businesses to resume on-site services of customers without causing the number of cases in the city to rise to the level that it will overwhelm the hospitals’ capacity if proper procedures are put in place.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

1. The City Council affirms that some, but not all, of the social distancing measures set forth in Section A, Paragraphs 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7 of the emergency ordinance are necessary for the prevention and spread within the City of Aberdeen of the contagious virus.

2. The City Council hereby extends paragraphs 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 7 of Section A

of the emergency ordinance for the day following the next regular or special meeting of the City Council, except that part of each paragraph that prohibits or closes on-site consumption, sales, or services *if* such business, facility, club, shop, organization, or other entity complies with the following restrictions:

- (a) Maintains a minimum six-foot space between tables, chairs, and barstools if occupants are not members of the same household or dining party of not more than 10 persons;
- (b) Limits capacity in indoor recreational facilities and fitness businesses to a number of persons that can safely and reliably ensure social distancing;
- (c) Requires handwashing at regular intervals of at least once per hour for all restaurant, bar, and food service employees;
- (d) Cleans and disinfects video lottery machines between each customer and at the start of business;
- (e) Reduces seating to allow for social distancing by removing chairs or marking certain seats as “not available due to social distancing”;
- (f) Posts for customers the regular cleaning and disinfecting schedule;
- (g) Maintains a six-foot space between customers waiting for service or entry into the facility; and
- (h) Employees of beauty and hair salons, nail salons, tattoo parlors, spas, massage studios, and barber shops wear masks which cover their nose and mouth during customer contact times. Customer seating must be at least six (6) feet apart.
- (i) Implements daily health screening protocol per South Dakota Department of Health guidelines for all employees.
- (j) Employees shall wear a mask that covers the face and nose when social distancing guidelines cannot be met with, or a barrier to the public is not provided.
- (k) Equipment and mats in health, fitness, athletic, and weight training facilities must be cleaned and disinfected between each use.

3. In addition to the specific requirements listed above, businesses shall operate in a manner consistent with CDC guidelines and any applicable state regulation or executive orders. Employers should plan to respond in a flexible way to varying levels of disease transmission in the community and be prepared to refine their business response plans as needed.

4. The City encourages all individuals within the City to continue to follow the CDC guidelines and recommended hygiene practices.

5. The City encourages grocery and retail stores to limit customers to a number of persons that can safely and reliably ensure social distancing, and, where practicable, to

clearly mark one-way shopping aisles and install a plexiglass or similar divider between the customer and the cashier.

6. The City encourages enhanced cleaning and disinfecting requirements for motel and hotel rooms.

7. The City Council hereby extends paragraphs 6 of Section A and all of Section B of the emergency ordinance for the day following the next regular or special meeting of the City Council.

The foregoing Resolution was approved after first reading and passed at a special meeting of the Aberdeen City Council on the 29th day of April, 2020. Number of AYES: 9; Number of NAYS: 0.

OTHER BUSINESS

Mayor Schaunaman called for a special meeting of the City Council on May 2, 2020 at 2:30 p.m. instead of 2:00 p.m., in City Council Chambers, to appoint a New City Manager.

There being no further business, motion by Bunsness, second by Johnson to adjourn the meeting. Upon roll call vote, all voting aye, motion carried.

Prepared by Mary Campton for the Finance Office. /s/ Karl Alberts, Finance Officer.