

**MINUTES OF THE
SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING
BY TELEPHONE CONFERENCE
MARCH 24, 2020**

IN ACCORDANCE WITH AN ORDER OF THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR ISSUED ON MARCH 16, 2020, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FATE, TEXAS, CONDUCTED A SPECIAL MEETING BY TELEPHONE CONFERENCE AT 6:00 P.M. ON TUESDAY, MARCH 24, 2020, IN ORDER TO ADVANCE THE PUBLIC HEALTH GOAL OF LIMITING FACE-TO-FACE MEETINGS (ALSO CALLED "SOCIAL DISTANCING") TO SLOW THE SPREAD OF THE CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19) PANDEMIC.

City Secretary's Note: Assistant City Manager Justin Weiss served as the telephone conference meeting moderator. Prior to the meeting being called to order Mr. Weiss provided a brief overview of the procedures for the telephone conference meeting in order to ensure the highest call quality and participation.

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Mayor Burger called the telephone conference meeting of the Fate City Council to order at 6:05 p.m. on the 24th day of March, 2020.

City Secretary Victoria Raduechel performed a roll call and confirmed the presence of a quorum.

Council Members Present:

Joe Burger, Mayor
Tamara Fisher
Lance Megyesi
Ian Fields
Allen Robbins, Deputy Mayor Pro Tem
David Billings, Mayor Pro Tem
John Hamilton

Council Members Absent:

None

City Staff Present:

Michael Kovacs, City Manager
Justin Weiss, Assistant City Manager
Victoria Raduechel, City Secretary
Craig Smith, Assistant City Attorney

Assistant City Attorney Craig Smith spoke to the legality of the telephone conference meeting reporting in accordance with section 418.016 of the Texas Government Code, Governor Abbott suspended certain open-meeting statutes to facilitate social distancing in public meetings. The Governor has carved out certain provisions within the suspended statutes to maintain government transparency and continued government operations while reducing face-to-face contact and suspending the requirement for public participation.

2. ACTION ITEMS

A. Discuss, Consider, And Take Any Necessary Action Regarding Resolution No. R-2020-014- Ordering That The General Election Scheduled To Be Held On Saturday, May 2, 2020, Be Postponed To Tuesday, November 3, 2020; Making Findings Related Thereto; And Providing An Effective Date.

City Secretary Vickey Raduechel provided a brief overview of agenda items 2A and 2B. City Manager Michael Kovacs assisted Secretary Raduechel with the overview at which time Mr. Kovacs and Secretary Raduechel answered questions from the Council related to the agenda items.

There were no comments from the public related to agenda items 2A and 2B.

Council Member Billings moved to approve Resolution No. R-2020-014 - ordering that the General Election scheduled to be held on Saturday, May 2, 2020, be postponed to Tuesday, November 3, 2020; Making findings related thereto; And providing an effective date.

Council Member Robbins seconded the motion.

There was no discussion and the roll call vote on the motion was as follows:

Ayes: Mayor Burger and Council Members Fisher, Megyesi, Fields, Robbins, Billings, and Hamilton.

Nays: None

Mayor Burger declared the motion carried unanimously.

B. Discuss, Consider, And Take Any Necessary Action Regarding Ordinance No. O-2020-009 - Ordering That The Special Bond Election Scheduled To Be Held On Saturday, May 2, 2020, Be Postponed To Tuesday, November 3, 2020; Making Findings Related Thereto; And Providing An Effective Date.

Council Member Billings moved to approve Ordinance No. O-2020-009 - ordering that the Special Bond Election scheduled to be held on Saturday, May 2, 2020, be postponed to Tuesday, November 3, 2020; Making findings related thereto; And providing an effective date.

Council Member Robbins seconded the motion.

There was no discussion and the roll call vote on the motion was as follows:

Ayes: Mayor Burger and Council Members Fisher, Megyesi, Fields, Robbins, Billings, and Hamilton.

Nays: None

Mayor Burger declared the motion carried unanimously.

3. ADJOURNMENT

There was no further business before the Council and Council Member Fisher moved to adjourn.

Council Member Fields seconded the motion.

There was no discussion and the roll call vote on the motion was as follows:

Ayes: Mayor Burger and Council Members Fisher, Megyesi, Fields, Robbins, Billings, and Hamilton.

Nays: None

Mayor Burger declared the motion carried unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 6:29 p.m.

APPROVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL ON THIS THE 20th DAY OF APRIL, 2020.



APPROVED:

David Billings, Mayor Pro Tem

ATTEST:

Victoria Raduechel, TRMC
City Secretary