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CALL TO ORDER

[Time: 00:00:04]

Mayor Lane: Very good. Good afternoon, everyone. We're here for a special meeting. It is March 24th, 2020. It is approximately 4:00 p.m. And I would like to call to order to mark this meeting the City Council Special Meeting.

ROLL CALL

[Time: 00:00:28]

Mayor Lane: So I would ask that the City Clerk Carolyn Jagger please conduct the roll.

Carolyn Jagger: Thank you, your Honor. Mayor Jim Lane.

Mayor Lane: Here.

Carolyn Jagger: Vice Mayor Kathy Littlefield.

Vice Mayor Littlefield: Here.

Carolyn Jagger: Councilmembers Suzanne Klapp.

Councilwoman Klapp: Here.

Carolyn Jagger: Virginia Korte.

Councilmember Korte: Here.

Carolyn Jagger: Linda Milhaven.

Councilwoman Milhaven: Here.

Carolyn Jagger: Guy Philips.

Councilman Phillips: Here.

Carolyn Jagger: Solange Whitehead.

Councilwoman Whitehead: Here.

Carolyn Jagger: City Manager Jim Thompson.

Jim Thompson: Here.

Carolyn Jagger: City Attorney Sherry Scott.

Sherry Scott: Here.

Carolyn Jagger: City Treasurer Jeff Nichols.

Jeff Nichols: Here.

Carolyn Jagger: City Auditor Sharron Walker.

Sharron Walker: Here.

Carolyn Jagger: And the clerk is present.

ITEM 1 – EMERGENCY PROCLAMATION

[Time: 00:01:12]

Mayor Lane: Thank you. We have one item on tonight's agenda and it's regarding the emergency proclamation I issued March 18th, 2020. Request as follows. Pursuant to Scottsdale revised code, Section 10-3, consider approving a motion, either revoking or continuing the emergency proclamation declared by Mayor Lane on March 18th, 2020 as a result of the COVID-19, until the emergency is later revoked or terminated by another proclamation of the mayor or by the majority vote of the City Council.

So we have Sherry Scott, city attorney with us as well and other charter offices as needed and at this point in time, I would ask each of the City Councilmembers one by one, if they have a comment about this item. And I'll start with Vice Mayor Littlefield.

Vice Mayor Littlefield: Thank you, Mayor. I would move to approve this motion for the emergency proclamation declaration as a result of the COVID-19 virus until the emergency is revoked by another proclamation of the mayor or emergency vote by the Council.

Mayor Lane: I understand. We can register that motion, Vice Mayor. Do you have any other comments that you would like to make on this motion?

[Time: 00:02:41]

Vice Mayor Littlefield: Well, yeah. I would like to say that I would thank our charter officers and our staff for the way they have implemented this over the last week or so. I find that their work and their actions in this very difficult time has been an amazing accomplishment, and they have achieved some wonderful stunning results. We couldn't have done this without our talented city employees, and my hat is off to you, along with my sincere thanks. You have truly stepped up to the place and given your all. Not only for myself but on behalf of all our citizens, I would like to thank both our charter officers and our staff for the work they have done and a job very well done.

Mayor Lane: Thank you Vice Mayor. Councilwoman, Suzanne Klapp, anything on this item?

Councilwoman Klapp: I agree with the comments made by Vice Mayor Littlefield. I appreciate all the work that has been done and I also thank you, Mayor, for the work you have been doing the past few weeks. I know this has been a difficult time for everyone and I will second the motion.

Mayor Lane: Thank you, Councilwoman Klapp. Next is Councilmember Korte.

Councilmember Korte: Thank you, Mayor. I just wish everyone good health and surviving this incredible experience that none of us have ever witnessed before, so thank you.

Mayor Lane: Thank you, Councilmember Korte. Councilwoman Linda Milhaven.

Councilwoman Milhaven: Thank you, Mayor. I echo all comments that have been made already. Thank you.

Mayor Lane: Thank you Councilwoman Milhaven. Councilman Guy Phillips?

Councilman Phillips: No further comment.

Mayor Lane: Thank you Councilman Phillips. Councilwoman Solange Whitehead.

Councilwoman Whitehead: I guess I will also echo the comments. The work of those of us at the city, especially our staff, has been amazing, so I just thank you.

Mayor Lane: Thank you, Councilwoman Whitehead. I was about to say that I would accept a motion in a second but I believe that's already been recorded, unless there is any further comment on that. So in accepting the motion, it was a motion made by the Vice Mayor Littlefield and seconded by Councilwoman Klapp. What I'm going to do is if you would, at this point in time, I would ask, you know, let me just, obviously I suppose I don't really have a vote in this but I'm going to say I certainly concur with the action I have taken as well, but never the less I would also want to reaffirm by speed and by action and by coordination with the state and the governor, and all the other cities within the state who have been cooperating and working closely, not only with the state but also the County. Health services area, which are the primary area of connection to the medical side of the things, as well as the analysis of how to approach this whole program.

So from an administrative standpoint, I would certainly like to say that the city manager has put together a great team and they are doing a great job and communicating well, and we hope to continue that on all levels as we move forward. Communication is a very important component of this, and I think we have, as an organization, done a great job with that. One other thing that I would want to say is with the coordination, with the state and federal government, we have created a concise and purposeful approach to how we want to do this on a coordinated and a cooperative basis, so I hope we can carry that forward as well.

[Time: 00:06:49]

Now with the motion made and seconded, the action on the motion will be by roll call vote. Ms. Jagger, could you please take the roll call vote?

Carolyn Jagger: Yes, Your Honor. Mayor Jim Lane.

Mayor Lane: Yes.

Carolyn Jagger: Vice Mayor Kathy Littlefield.

Vice Mayor Littlefield: Yes.

Carolyn Jagger: Councilmembers Suzanne Klapp.

Councilwoman Klapp: Yes.

Carolyn Jagger: Virginia Korte.

Councilmember Korte: Yes.

Carolyn Jagger: Linda Milhaven.

Councilwoman Milhaven: Yes.

Carolyn Jagger: Guy Philips.

Councilman Phillips: Yes.

Carolyn Jagger: And Solange Whitehead.

Councilwoman Whitehead: Yes.

Carolyn Jagger: Thank you.

Mayor Lane: Thank you, Ms. Jagger. So this is all the business we have to conduct tonight.

ADJOURNMENT

[Time: 00:07:36]

Mayor Lane: May I have a motion to adjourn.

Councilwoman Klapp: Motion to adjourn, this is Councilwoman Klapp.

Councilmember Korte: Second.

Mayor Lane: Second, who was that, I'm sorry?

Councilmember Korte: Virginia.

Mayor Lane: Okay. Thank you, Virginia. And that will conclude our business. I would certainly want to thank everybody for being on the line and as we proceed forward, I hope we can stay united in our efforts to move forward. It's a very, very important moment in time for Scottsdale and we wish everyone on the Council, everyone in the city the very best as we move forward, hopefully in the best of form. So thank you all for being here and that concludes our meeting of course.