

Thursday, February 25, 2021

The City Council Special Called Meeting will convene at 10:00 AM on Thursday, February 25, 2021 via videoconference



Mayor Steve Adler Mayor Pro Tem Natasha Harper-Madison, District 1 Council Member Vanessa Fuentes, District 2 Council Member Sabino "Pio" Renteria, District 3 Council Member Gregorio Casar, District 4 Council Member Ann Kitchen, District 5 Council Member Mackenzie Kelly, District 6 Council Member Leslie Pool, District 7 Council Member Paige Ellis, District 8 Council Member Kathie Tovo, District 9 Council Member Alison Alter, District 10

For meeting information, contact the City Clerk, (512) 974-2210

The City Council may go into a closed session as permitted by the Texas Open Meetings Act, (Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code) regarding any item on this agenda.

All of the following items may be acted upon by one motion. No separate discussion or action on any of the items is necessary unless desired by a Council Member.

10:00 AM – City Council Convenes

Briefings

- 1. Update on recent severe weather event and ongoing recovery and relief efforts.
- 2. Update on Covid-19 related matters.

Consent Agenda

- 3. Approve a resolution ratifying a declaration of local state of disaster in response to concerns related to imminent threat of widespread and severe property damage, injury, and loss of life due to prolonged freezing temperatures, heavy snow and freezing rain and consenting to continuation of the disaster declaration for a period of more than seven days.
 Strategic Outcome(s): Safety.
- 4. Approve an ordinance waiving residential permitting and development fees related to repairing or reconstructing structures, and removing trees and tree limbs damaged as a result of winter weather events; waiving emergency medical services fees and costs for services provided during winter weather events; and declaring an emergency.

<u>Strategic Outcome(s):</u> Government that Works for All.

5. Approve an ordinance authorizing the building official to exempt certain plumbing activities from permit requirements, extending the deadline for certain permit applications, waiving registration requirement for plumbers, and declaring an emergency.
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<u>Strategic Outcome(s)</u>: Government that Works for All; Economic Opportunity and Affordability.

- Approve a resolution relating to evaluating and mitigating the effects of the recent weather emergency on city residents, including their city utility bills.
 <u>Strategic Outcome(s)</u>: Economic Opportunity and Affordability; Government that Works for All.
- 7. Approve an ordinance amending Ordinance No. 20210209-004 ordering a special municipal election regarding a criminal offense and a penalty for camping in public areas without a permit, certain types of solicitation, and sitting, lying, or sleeping outdoors in certain public areas; and declaring an emergency. <u>Strategic Outcome(s):</u> Government that Works for All.

Adjourn

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