



City of Richmond

Special Meeting Minutes

900 East Broad Street
Richmond, VA 23219
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Thursday, April 2, 2020

3:30 PM

Council Chamber, 2nd Floor - City Hall

Councilmembers Present

The Honorable Cynthia Newbille, President
The Honorable Chris Hilbert, Vice President (by phone from home)
The Honorable Kim Gray
The Honorable Michael Jones (by phone from home)
The Honorable Kristen Larson (by phone from home)
The Honorable Stephanie Lynch (by phone from home)
The Honorable Ellen Robertson (by phone from home)
The Honorable Reva Trammell

Absent

The Honorable Andreas Addison

Council President Cynthia Newbille called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m., and presided.

ELECTRONIC PARTICIPATION

City Clerk Candice Reid, in accordance with section 2.2-3708.2(A)(3) of the Code of Virginia, announced that the Governor had declared a state of emergency as a result of the spread of the COVID-19 disease and prohibited the in-person gathering of more than ten people. City Clerk Reid stated that the catastrophic nature of the declared emergency made it impracticable or unsafe to assemble a quorum in a single location. Ms. Reid also stated the meeting was being held through electronic communication means in the form of a telephone conference call by which less than a quorum of the Council was physically assembled in one location, and that the purpose of the meeting was to address the emergency by introducing an ordinance to provide a method to assure continuity in the city's government.

INTRODUCTION OF LEGISLATION

The following ordinance was introduced for public hearing on Thursday, April 9, 2020, at 3:30 p.m.:

ORD. 2020-093

To assure the continuity of government during the disaster resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic by modifying the practices and procedures of public bodies to permit electronic meetings as authorized by Va. Code § 15.2-1413.

Patron: President Newbille

Committee referral waived {Rule VI(B)(2)}

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Council, the meeting adjourned at 3:34 p.m.

CITY CLERK