

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

There were no matters to be discussed in Executive Session.

**SPECIAL SESSION – 10:00 A.M.**

Council met in special session with Mayor Gettys, Mayor Pro Tem Pender and Councilmembers Black, Jackson, Lindsay, Reno, and Sutton. Also present were City Manager David Vehaun, Deputy City Manager Jimmy Bagley, Deputy City Manager Steven Gibson, City Attorney Paul Dillingham, and Municipal Clerk Anne P. Harty. Matthew Kreh from WRHI, Indira Eskieva from CN2, Mike Thomas from WCCB, John Evans and Greg Suskin from WSOC, Chloe Leshner from WCNC, and Scott Morgan from SC Public Radio were in attendance.

**EMERGENCY ORDINANCE TO REQUIRE INDIVIDUALS TO WEAR MASK COVERINGS IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES IN THE CITY OF ROCK HILL TO REDUCE RISK OF EXPOSURE TO COVID-19 DURING THE PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY, AND MATTERS RELATED THERETO** - Adopted

An emergency ordinance entitled AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE TO REQUIRE INDIVIDUALS TO WEAR MASK COVERINGS IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES IN THE CITY OF ROCK HILL TO REDUCE RISK OF EXPOSURE TO COVID-19 DURING THE PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY, AND MATTERS RELATED THERETO was adopted upon a motion by Councilmember Pender, which was duly seconded and approved upon a vote of 5-2, with Councilmembers Sutton and Black dissenting.

This protective mask emergency ordinance required a 2/3 approval of the City Council. This Ordinance requires persons to wear protective masks within the City limits under certain circumstances. This ordinance will expire immediately after sixty (60) days unless renewed.

Rebecca Lugthart, Yesteryear Court, addressed the City Council in opposition to the ordinance.

Ernest Rodriguez, 1045 Westover Court, addressed the City Council in support of the ordinance.

Antonette Rodriguez, 1045 Westover Court, addressed the City Council in support of the ordinance.

Randi Rawls, 4724 Great Falls Road, Great Falls, addressed the City Council in opposition to the ordinance.

Steve Davis, 1045 Westover Circle, addressed the City Council in support of the ordinance.

Harvey Mayfield, 2873 Forrest Hill Circle, York County, addressed the City Council regarding the ordinance.

Seth Crosby, 618 Favorwood Drive, addressed the City Council in support of the ordinance.

**ORDINANCE TO REQUIRE INDIVIDUALS TO WEAR FACE COVERINGS IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES IN THE CITY OF ROCK HILL TO REDUCE RISK OF EXPOSURE TO COVID-19 AND MATTERS RELATED THERETO** - Suspend

An ordinance entitled AN ORDINANCE TO REQUIRE INDIVIDUALS TO WEAR FACE COVERINGS IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES IN THE CITY OF ROCK HILL TO REDUCE RISK OF EXPOSURE TO COVID-19 AND MATTERS RELATED THERETO was suspended.

This item included the same protective mask provisions, but would have required a simple majority and a second reading at a subsequent meeting of the City Council. Because the emergency ordinance was approved, this ordinance was inapplicable.

**EMERGENCY ORDINANCE EXTENDING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF EMERGENCY PROCEDURES FOR PUBLIC MEETINGS OF THE CITY OF ROCK HILL DURING THE PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY OF THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC** - Adopted

An emergency ordinance entitled AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE EXTENDING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF EMERGENCY PROCEDURES FOR PUBLIC MEETINGS OF THE CITY OF ROCK HILL DURING THE PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY OF THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC was adopted upon a motion by Councilmember Pender, which was duly seconded and unanimously approved.

This item is an extension of the remote meetings Emergency Ordinance enacted by the Council a few months ago. Approval implemented a structure for remote meetings for Council and also other City related public meetings for the next sixty (60) days unless renewed. As for Council, if this Ordinance is approved, the City Attorney recommended continuing the prior practice of a majority deciding whether a remote meeting is warranted on a case by case basis.

**MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS**

Mayor Gettys notified the public of the passing on July 5, 2020 of former City Manager Carey Smith and recognized some of his accomplishments during his tenure.

There being no other further business the meeting was adjourned.

Minutes approved and adopted this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2020.

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Anne P. Harty, Municipal Clerk