

SPECIAL EMERGENCY MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL, CITY OF SHALLOWATER, APRIL 6, 2020
AT 6:30 P.M. WITH THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS PRESENT VIA TELECONFERENCE:

ROYKING POTTER
MAYOR
AMANDA CUMMINGS
CITY SECRETARY
WILL GRIFFIS
CITY ATTORNEY (VIA CONFERENCE CALL)
RUSSEL MOSES
CITY ADMINISTRATOR

ALDERMAN:
DAVID BRUEGEL
CHRIS CODY
NORMAN MOORE
JASON WHITE
TROY WHITE

Others Present: Cory Buck and Thomas Parker

Pledge of Allegiance: The meeting was opened at 6:30 p.m. by Mayor Potter and the pledge was conducted.

Invocation: Invocation was offered by Alderman Cody.

Open Forum: Mayor Potter asked anyone that wishes to speak to clearly state their name prior to that person speaking each time. No public present via phone.

Consider and Discuss Approval of Amended Ordinance Declaring a Local State of Disaster due to a Public Health Emergency: Mayor Potter stated that after Governor Abbott issued another executive order on March 31, 2020 he amended the declaration for the city follow the new orders. He added that he tried to keep some of our small business open for as long as he could, but we have to follow the Governor's orders. He said he had talked to several of the business owner's after the first declaration and told them if the county judge or governor issues new orders the city will have to comply. Mayor Potter said he has visited with Cory Buck, Russel, Moses, Amanda Cummings, and Will Griffis and the amended ordinance was needed. There was discussion on the extended April 30th period, but there is also a clause that the city will follow any orders issued by the President of the United States, Governor Abbott or Judge Parrish. Mayor Potter asked Cory Buck if he has any updates. Chief Buck stated that we should follow the executive orders and the county has created a public health authority for the county and that should be good for all of us outside Lubbock. He added that he is in continuing to receive COVID-19 updates and we are doing everything we can do at this time. Chief Buck mentioned the rule has changed from ten people to limiting access to anyone not in your household unless seeking essential services. Mayor Potter asked Will Griffis if he had anything to add. Will said he agrees that we need to follow the orders and this meeting amends the previous ordinance by removing the allowance of the barbershop and beauty salons to remain open. Alderman Moore asked if we could lose potential funding if we do not follow the state

and county guidelines and to consider the potentially liability for the city if we did not follow their orders. He mentioned that he is aware of another county facing this now. Mayor Potter said yes, it could potentially effect funding. Chief Buck, Amanda Cummings, and Will Griffis agreed. Alderman Bruegel asked if the council would have an opportunity to determine if further restrictions will be placed on citizens. Will Griffis, Chief Buck, and Mayor Potter said that we should follow the guidance from the County Judge, Governor, or the President. Mayor Potter asked if there was a motion. Alderman Moore made the motion to adopt the ordinance as presented. Alderman J. White made the second. Mayor Potter stated that we would perform a roll call vote. Amanda Cummings asked each Alderman to say yes or no when their name is called. Mayor Pro Tem Moore responded yes. Alderman J. White responded yes. Alderman Bruegel responded yes. Alderman Cody responded yes. Alderman T. White responded yes. Mayor Potter stated the motion carried with all in favor.

There being no further business, meeting was adjourned at 7:03 p.m.

Amanda Cummings, City Secretary

Royking Potter, Mayor