SPECIAL MEETING
CITY OF ROSWELL COUNCIL - AGENDA
Thursday, March 26, 2020 at 5:30 p.m.
Roswell Convention & Civic Center
Meeting Room A - 912 N. Main St.
Roswell, New Mexico 88201

Notice of this meeting has been given to the public in compliance with Sections 10-15-1 through 10-15-4 NMSA 1978 and Resolution No. 19-37. Except for emergency matters, the City Council shall take action only on the specific items listed on the Agenda.

MARCH 26, 2020

MAYOR - Dennis J. Kintigh

Ward 1
Jacob R. Roebuck
Juan Oropesa

Ward II
Margaret Kennard
Jason Perry

Ward III
Judy Stubbs
Jeanine Best

Ward IV
George G. Peterson
Savino Sanchez Jr.

Ward V
Angela G. Moore
Barry Foster

ROLL CALL

APPROVAL OF AGENDA
1. Consider approval of the agenda for the March 26, 2020, Special City Council meeting. (Stubbs/Coll)

REGULAR ITEMS
2. Resolution 20-18 — Consider approval of Resolution 20-18 relating to the declaration declaring a state of emergency area as a result of COVID-19. (Stubbs/Holloman/Sanders)

CLOSED SESSION
3. Hold a closed session, pursuant to NMSA 1978 § 10-15-1(H)(2) Limited personnel matters relating to personnel affected by the Declaration of Emergency. (Stubbs/Holloman)

CITY MANAGER REPORTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS
(Information only)

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NOTICE OF POTENTIAL QUORUM – A quorum of the City Council may or may not attend, but there will not be debate by the City Council and no action will be taken.

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Printed and posted: Monday, March 23, 2020
ACTION REQUESTED:
Consider approval of Resolution 20-18 relating to the declaration declaring a state of emergency area as a result of COVID-19. (Stubbs/Holloman/Sanders)

BACKGROUND:
Initiated by: Karen Sanders/ Joseph W. Neeb

As a result of COVID-19, both the federal government, on January 31, 2020, and the state government, on March 11, 2020, have declared a public health emergency. The effects of the contagion and efforts to constrain its spread have the potential to cause injury and disruption to life, health, property, or public places. This resolution would follow the lead of the federal and state government along with other local governing bodies in ensuring that adequate resources are dedicated to addressing the situation. This is done by directing that available resources be used in addressing the needs and effects of the emergency and allows application for reimbursement or distribution of emergency funds from available sources.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATION
While the final financial impact remains unclear, the declaration does enable the City to seek reimbursement from state and federal emergency funding streams.

LEGAL REVIEW:
The City Attorney has reviewed the item.

A resolution passes if approved by a majority of all the members of the governing body. NMSA, 1978, § 3-17-4.

BOARD AND COMMITTEE ACTION:
Due to the nature of this item, it has not had the opportunity to be vetted by a committee.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:
Consider approval of Resolution 20-18 relating to the declaration declaring a state of emergency area as a result of COVID-19. (Stubbs/Holloman/Sanders)
RESOLUTION 20-18
DECLARING AN EMERGENCY AREA AS A RESULT OF COVID-19

WHEREAS, COVID-19, a respiratory disease that can result in serious illness or death, is
caused by the SARS-CoV-2 virus, which is a new strain of coronavirus that had not been previously
identified in humans and can spread via droplets from person to person;

WHEREAS, on January 31, 2020, the United States Department of Health and Human
Services (HHS) Secretary declared a public health emergency to combat the spread of the COVID-
19 virus in our nation through its support of state and community-led preparedness and response
efforts;

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020, Michelle Lujan Grisham, the Governor of the State of New
Mexico, declared in Executive Order 2020-004 (“EO 2020-004”) that a public health emergency
exists in New Mexico under Public Health Emergency Response Act, and invoked the All Hazards
Emergency Management Act by directing all cabinets, departments and agencies to comply with the
directives of the declaration and the further instructions of the Department of Health;

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, Donald Trump, the President of the United States, issued
a proclamation declaring a national emergency concerning COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, the worldwide outbreak of COVID-19 and the effects of its extreme risk of
person-to-person transmission throughout New Mexico and the City of Roswell significantly
impacts the life and health of our people, as well as the economy of the City of Roswell, and is a
public disaster that affects life, health, property or the public peace;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL AS THE
GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF ROSWELL, NEW MEXICO, that:

1. By virtue of the authority provided by NMSA 1978, § 3-18-1 and generally Chapter 3 of
New Mexico Statutes, and by the New Mexico All Hazard Emergency Management Act,
NMSA 1978, §§ 12-10-1 to 12-10-10, do hereby declare the City of Roswell to be an
emergency area as a result of COVID-19 for the purpose of exercising necessary emergency
powers, for expending local resources, and for requesting aid, assistance, relief programs,
and funding that may be available from the State of New Mexico or any other available
funding sources.

2. City agencies and departments are directed to utilize resources and to do everything
reasonably possible to assist affected political subdivisions in an effort to respond to and
recover from the outbreak.

PASSED, ADOPTED, SIGNED and APPROVED ____________________, ______.

CITY SEAL

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Dennis Kintigh, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Sharon Coll, City Clerk
Special City Council Meeting

Meeting Date: 3/26/2020

COMMITTEE: N/A

CONTACT: Aaron Holloman

CHAIR: N/A

ACTION REQUESTED:
Closed session – Hold a closed session, pursuant to NMSA 1978 § 10-15-1H(2), to discuss limited personnel matters relating to personnel affected by the Declaration of Emergency. (Stubbs/Holloman)

BACKGROUND:

Initiated by: Joe Neeb

Hold a closed session, pursuant to NMSA 1978 § 10-15-1H(2), to discuss limited personnel matters relating to personnel affected by the Declaration of Emergency.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATION
There are no financial costs.

LEGAL REVIEW:
Pursuant to NMSA 1978 § 10-15-1 (H) and (I), a majority of a quorum of the City Council may vote to enter into a closed session to discuss a narrow range of topics. No action may be taken during the closed session.

BOARD AND COMMITTEE ACTION:
There is no board or committee review.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:
Closed session – Hold a closed session, pursuant to NMSA 1978 § 10-15-1H(2), to discuss limited personnel matters relating to personnel affected by the Declaration of Emergency.

Attachments

None