

**REGULAR MEETING, MAYOR AND COUNCIL, CITY OF COVINGTON,
GEORGIA, TELECONFERENCE, APRIL 20, 2020, 6:30 PM.**

Mayor Steve Horton presided with Mayor Pro-Tem Susie Keck, Council members: Hawnethia Williams, Kenneth Morgan, Anthony Henderson, Fleeta Baggett, and Don T. Floyd, City Manager Scott Andrews, City Clerk Audra M. Gutierrez, and City Attorney Frank Turner, Jr. present.

Mayor Horton gave the invocation.

1. Motion made by Council member Floyd, seconded by Council member Morgan to approve the minutes from the Called Meeting held on March 11, 2020.

Motion carried unanimously.

2. Motion made by Council member Williams, seconded by Council member Henderson to approve the minutes from the Regular Council Meeting held on April 6, 2020.

Motion carried unanimously.

3. Motion made by Council member Keck, seconded by Council member Floyd to approve the minutes from the Emergency Called Meeting held on April 10, 2020.

Motion carried unanimously.

4. Motion made by Council member Keck, seconded by Council member Morgan to approve the minutes from the Called Meeting held on April 13, 2020.

Motion carried unanimously.

5. Motion made by Council member Keck, seconded by Council member Floyd to approve the **final** reading of an ordinance for the City of Covington, with the exception of the 1% transfer:

"AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF COVINGTON, GEORGIA, TO AMEND THE COVINGTON MUNICIPAL CODE, ENACTED AND ADOPTED ON THE 16TH DAY OF OCTOBER 2001, AS AMENDED BY PREVIOUS AMENDMENTS, **TO AMEND CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE 3 (SCHEDULES) OF CHAPTER 13.08 (ELECTRIC SYSTEM)** OF THE SAID CODE OF ORDINANCES, TO REPEAL CONFLICTING ORDINANCES AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

Motion carried with Council members Keck, Morgan, Baggett, Williams, and Floyd voting for. Council member Henderson voting against.

6. Motion made by Council member Keck, seconded by Council member Williams to amend the agenda to add a CaresAct 3.5 letter to item 12, "Discussion of a letter in support of HR 6467 the Coronavirus Community Relief Act."

Motion carried unanimously.

7. Motion made by Council member Morgan, seconded by Council member Keck to approve a license to sell alcoholic beverages for **on-premises consumption** only for:

The Social Goat

1115 Church Street SE

Motion carried unanimously.

8. Motion made by Council member Baggett, seconded by Council member Floyd to approve a resolution with regards to sustainability, as presented.

Motion carried unanimously.

9. Motion made by Council member Keck, seconded by Council member Morgan to appoint members to the Development Authority:

Nita Thompson
Judy Hooten
Frank B. Turner, Jr.
Anita Turner

Kim Carter
Greg Shy
Fleeta Baggett

Motion carried with Council members Keck, Morgan, Williams, Floyd, and Henderson voting for. Council member Baggett recused herself from voting.

10. Motion made by Council member Keck, seconded by Council member Morgan to approve a resolution declaring a need for a Development Authority.

Motion carried with Council members Keck, Morgan, Williams, Floyd, and Henderson voting for. Council member Baggett recused herself from voting.

11. Motion made by Council member Keck, seconded by Council member Floyd to approve letters of support of HR 6467 Coronavirus Community Relief Act and CaresAct 3.5.

Motion carried unanimously.

A discussion ensued regarding Parking Regulations in the downtown area. Topics of discussion were the elimination of state conflicting parking spaces, the requirement of hip restraints & rear handrails, and the requirement by the City to have liability insurance.

It was the consensus of the Council to have staff and legal to create a Transportation Plan for Golf Carts.

12. Motion made by Council member Morgan, seconded by Council member Williams to approve a contract with Covington Town Center, LLC for electric power service.

Motion carried with Council members Keck, Morgan, Williams, Floyd, and Henderson voting for. Council member Baggett voting against.

13. Motion made by Council member Keck, seconded by Council member Floyd to table any decision regarding the July 4th event until the May 18th Council Meeting to see what the COVID – 19 numbers are.

Motion carried unanimously.

14. Motion made by Council member Morgan, seconded by Council member Floyd to approve the best bid from Artic Wolf in the monthly amount of \$5,361.00, purchase of Cyber Security computer software, contingent upon legal approval of new contract.

Trustwave	\$12,966 (3-year agreement)
Alert Logic	\$5,680
Artic Wolf	\$5,361.58
Trend Micro	\$2,700 (Does not monitor firewall logs or network devices. Based on 300 endpoints).
Red Canary	\$2,610 (Does not monitor firewall logs or network devices. Based on 300 endpoints).
Alien Vault	No quote submitted.
AT&T Security MTDR	No quote submitted.

Motion carried unanimously.

15. Motion made by Council member Floyd, seconded by Council member Morgan to approve a MGAG Trade Confirmation with Verescence.

Motion carried unanimously.

Comments from the City Manager:

- Stay safe
- Staff meetings tomorrow at Legion Field

Council member Floyd stated he is receiving complaints regarding the Pace Street project. Council member Floyd asked if the City can post a list of streets for future paving.

Council member Williams stated the transition from parking lot to Pace Street needs to be smoothed out.

Mayor's comments:

- Governor Kemp's announcement today – Hotline 1 844 442-2681
- The City's alcohol resolution will cease on April 23rd

Mayor Horton stated the May 4th meeting will be a teleconference meeting and the May 18th meeting will be in the Council Room if all goes well.

Being no further business meeting adjourned at 7:36 PM.

Steve Horton, Mayor

Audra M. Gutierrez, City Clerk