

**City of Covington
Emergency City Council Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, June 2, 2020**

NOTE: *This Emergency City Council meeting was held on June 2, 2020 at 4:00 p.m. in accordance with RCW 42.30.070. This meeting was held telephonically and virtually to comply with Governor Inslee's Proclamation 20-28 (as amended and extended), which, among other things, suspended various requirements under the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 42.30 RCW, and prohibited public agencies from conducting meetings in person through June 17, 2020.*

The Emergency Meeting of the City Council of the City of Covington was called to order Tuesday, June 2, 2020, at 4:04 p.m., with Mayor Wagner presiding. The purpose of the emergency meeting was to discuss and consider for adoption an emergency ordinance related to the emergency powers of the city.

COUNCILMEMBERS PRESENT:

Jeff Wagner, Joe Cimaomo, Jennifer Harjehausen, Fran Hollums, Jared Koukal, Kristina Soltys (left meeting @ 4:21 p.m. due to being inadvertently disconnected from the Zoom meeting), and Sean Smith.

STAFF PRESENT:

Regan Bolli, City Manager; Ethan Newton, Parks & Recreation Director; Don Vondran, Public Works Director; Gina Estep, Community Development Director; Casey Parker, Finance Director; Mark Orthmann, City Attorney; and Krista Bates, Executive Assistant/Deputy City Clerk.

All attendees present via Zoom.

Mayor Wagner opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

The agenda was approved as presented.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Adopt an Emergency Ordinance Amending Chapter 2.50 CMC to Clarify the City Manager's Authority to Proclaim and Declare Emergencies and Set Criminal Penalties for Violations of Emergency Proclamations, Declarations, and Orders.

City Manager Regan Bolli and City Attorney Mark Orthmann gave the staff report on this item.

Councilmembers provided comments and asked questions, and Mr. Orthmann and Mr. Bolli provided responses.

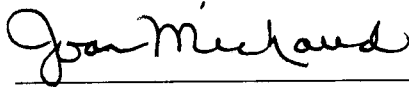
ORDINANCE NO. 08-2020

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COVINGTON, WASHINGTON, AMENDING CHAPTER 2.50 CMC TO CLARIFY THE CITY MANAGER'S AUTHORITY TO PROCLAIM AND DECLARE EMERGENCIES AND SET CRIMINAL PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS OF EMERGENCY PROCLAMATIONS, DECLARATIONS, AND ORDERS; ADOPTING FINDINGS OF FACT; DECLARING A PUBLIC EMERGENCY; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND ESTABLISHING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE.

Council Action: Councilmember Harjehausen moved and Councilmember Soltys seconded to approve Ordinance No. 08-2020 to amend Chapter 2.50 CMC to clarify the City Manager's authority to proclaim and declare emergencies and set criminal penalties for violations of emergency proclamations, declarations, and orders. Vote: 6-0. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:23 p.m.



Joan Michaud
City Clerk