

## COUNCIL WORK SESSION MINUTES

**May 28, 2020 – 4:00 p.m.  
City Hall (via video conferencing)**

A Council work session was held via video conferencing for an update on the Fifth Amended Declaration and Order regarding COVID-19.

Attending: Mayor Bill McMurray and Councilmembers Brenda Blessing, Madison Davis, PJ Kovac, Russell Moore, Brian Myers, Marty Novak, Kent O'Dell and Gary Roach.

Chris Connally, Interim City Manager/Police Chief; Bryan Carter, City Attorney; Debra Bradley, Health Director; Andy Clements, Public Works & Transportation Director; Tom Mahoney, Interim Administrative Services Director; Amy Cohorst, Human Resources Director; Chuck Kempf, Parks, Recreation & Civic Facilities Director; Mary Robertson, Asst. to the City Manager/Communications & Public Relations Manager; Paul Flury, Network Administrator; and Paula Heyde, City Clerk.

Mayor Bill McMurray called the meeting to order.

Mayor McMurray said the Fifth Amended Declaration and Order ends on May 31 at 11:59 p.m. The governor has extended the state order through June 15, 2020, and he recommends extending the City's also. No objections were expressed.

Mayor McMurray said he talked to Lee Sawyer, Buchanan County Presiding Commissioner, in regard to the CARES Act funds the County has received and he feels the City would qualify for some funding to augment the contract tracing efforts and other things.

Debra Bradley, Health Director, spoke about the number of complaints and the process for investigating them, the proposals she is working on to submit to the County to request CARES Act funds for contact tracing and future testing, and an update on the status of another community testing event using the remaining 400 tests that were not used last time.

Chris Connally, Interim City Manager/Police Chief, said little league baseball practices are allowed after June 1 with social distancing with play beginning on June 15.

Chuck Kempf, Parks, Recreation & Civic Facilities Director, said they will be sending a notice to Pony Express Baseball and Midland Empire Sports with recommendations and guidance on what they should do for social distancing. The adult league will not start until the end of June.

[Councilmember Kent O'Dell arrived.]

Public comment: Steve Hanes, Eagles Lodge, asked if bartenders can serve drinks behind plexiglass instead of wearing masks. Mayor McMurray said the mask requirement is part of the order.

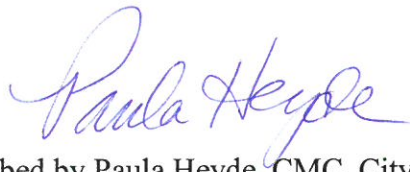
Jane Frick asked about putting people in touch with agencies if they do not have a place to self-quarantine, is a translator available for contact tracing calls and if there are any opportunities for a

COVID-19 positive individual to be retested and said she hopes some of the CARES Act funds can be used for contract tracing follow up and that more free testing can be made available.

Joann Wann said she is very concerned with the rise in cases here and the number in the hospitals and wants to make sure we have the tracing and testing that we need to have. She feels the Triumph workers need special consideration and wondered if they have been retested.

Another work session was scheduled for next Thursday, June 4 at 4:00 p.m.

The meeting adjourned at 4:44 p.m.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Paula Heyde". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Minutes transcribed by Paula Heyde, CMC, City Clerk.