

**MINUTES**  
**CITY COUNCIL CALLED MEETING**  
**THURSDAY, APRIL 2, 2020**  
**5:00 PM**

Attendees: James M. Burnette, Mayor  
Beth Hilscher, Mayor Pro Tempore  
Heather Hall, Councilmember  
Linnea Miller, Councilmember  
Larry Pettiford, Councilmember  
Marty Allen, City Manager  
Denise Brinson, Assistant City Manager  
Elvira Rogers, City Clerk  
Gregory Jay, City Attorney

Absent: Dan Foster, Councilmember

Staff: Amie Sakmar, Finance Director  
Mike Jones, Police Chief  
Cass Mooney, Deputy Police Chief  
James Miller, Public Works Director  
Josh Campbell, Planning & Inspections Director  
Jessica Roth, Business Services Director  
Robyn O'Donnell, Administrative Coordinator

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*Via Teleconference*  
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**A. Call to Order**

Mayor Burnette called the meeting to order at 5:00 P.M. Roll Call.

**B. Incorporation of Mayor's "Stay at Home" Order through the Adoption of a City Council "Stay at Home" Order and Other Purposes**

Marty shared that the city continues to operate under the Mayor's Order in 72-hour increments. This Order includes stay at home and expanded business closures. It mirrors the County's Order and lasts until 4/13/2020. Staff is working with Gwinnett County, City of Duluth and City of Lawrenceville, along with other cities, over the last week to collaborate. Planning staff has handled interpretations.

The Governor is taking a similar stay at home action. There has been no direct communication with the municipalities regarding the Governor's action. Dr. Audrey Arona, at the Health Department, anticipates the Governor's order will supersede our orders. It will be beneficial for the city to have findings and facts on record for our interpretations.

***Motion to adopt the Order by Mayor Pro Tempore Hilscher, second by Councilmember Miller and so carried 5-0.***

**C. Other Items**

- 1) Marty updated Council on information received from Dr. Arona regarding statistics. Things are continuing to change rapidly. Community spread is with occurring 294 cases and 7 deaths as of this date. Healthcare providers are contacting cities to plead for more PPE. Suwanee does not have a role in this matter. Hospitals currently have a low census. There is concern that hospitals will be overwhelmed. Plans are in place for expansion.
- 2) Staff is updating the website as quickly and concisely as possible. Businesses in the cities have been communicated with regarding the CARES Act.

**D. Adjournment**

***Motion to adjourn by Councilmember Hall, second by Councilmember Pettiford and so carried 5-0***

**Approved May 26, 2020**