

**Special Called Meeting of the City of Sandy Springs City Council
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Tuesday, August 20, 2020
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Special Called Meeting of the Sandy Springs City Council was held on Tuesday, August 20, 2020 at 4:00 p.m., Mayor Rusty Paul presiding.

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Rusty Paul called the meeting to order at 4:00 pm.

II. ROLL CALL

City Clerk Raquel D. González called the roll.

Mayor Rusty Paul – Present.

Council Members present: Council Member John Paulson, Council Member Steve Soteres, Council Member Chris Burnett, Council Member Jody Reichel, Council Member Tibby DeJulio and Council Member Andy Bauman.

III. APPROVAL OF MEETING AGENDA

Motion and Vote: Council Member DeJulio moved for approval of the Special Called Meeting agenda for Tuesday, August 20, 2020. Council Member Paulson seconded. Mayor Paul called for a roll call vote. The motion carried unanimously.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

- A. 2020-216** Request for Mayor and City Council Consideration of an Ordinance Requiring the Use of Masks or Facial Coverings During the COVID-19 Pandemic

City Attorney Dan Lee presented a proposed ordinance promoting the use of face masks in and around Sandy Springs.

Motion and Vote: Council Member Paulson moved for approval of agenda item 2020-216, Consideration of an Ordinance Requiring the Use of Masks or Facial Coverings during the COVID-19 Pandemic. Council Member Burnett seconded. Mayor Paul called for a roll call vote. The motion carried unanimously.

Council Member Burnett thanked Mayor Paul for his leadership. We have seen a lot of very positive things from our residents. There are some residents who will be frustrated by this but we are hopeful that they will take it seriously and understand the spirit in which it has been approved. We are all pulling together to work through this. This is good for our businesses. It is good for our communities. Most importantly, it is best for the safety of our residents.

Mayor Paul stated Council Members Bauman and Reichel have been behind this effort the whole way. Council has worked collegiately to try to find a solution that everyone can support. Over the last 14 days, the rate of infections has dropped by almost 50%. The emphasis that we placed on using masks, hopefully, has been a factor in helping drive that down. The hot spot around Northwoods has cooled down a good bit; the warm spots up north of Abernathy seemed to have cooled down a bit. Hopefully, this is a sign going forward. It is a team effort and there are a lot of people who deserve plaudits for this.

ORDINANCE NO. 2020-08-17

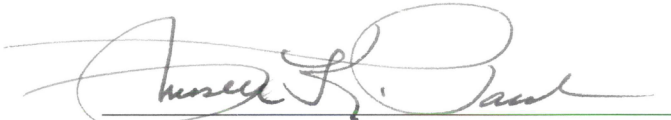
V. ADJOURNMENT

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Motion and Vote: Council Member DeJulio moved for Adjournment of the Special Called Meeting for Tuesday, August 20, 2020. Council Member Paulson seconded. Mayor Paul called for a roll call vote. The motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 4:07 p.m.

Dated approved: September 1, 2020



Russell K. Paul, Mayor



Raquel D. Gonzalez, City Clerk