

Mayor
Elise Partin

Mayor Pro-Tem
Tara S. Almond

Council Members
Phil Carter
Eva Corley
James E. Jenkins

City Manager
Tracy Hegler

Assistant City Manager
James E. Crosland



**City of Cayce
Emergency Council Meeting
May 31, 2020**

An Emergency Council Meeting was held this morning at 11:00 a.m. via Zoom video and conferencing software. Those present included Mayor Elise Partin, Council Members Tara Almond, Phil Carter, Eva Corley and James Jenkins. City Manager Tracy Hegler, Assistant City Manager Jim Crosland, Municipal Clerk Mendy Corder, IT Director Jamie Beckham and City Attorney Danny Crowe were also in attendance.

Mayor Partin asked if members of the press and the public were duly notified of the meeting in accordance with the FOIA. Ms. Corder confirmed they were notified. Mayor Partin stated that the meeting was being recorded through Zoom.

Call to Order

Mayor Partin called the meeting to order and Council Member Almond gave the invocation. Mayor Partin led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Ordinances

A. Discussion and Approval of Emergency Ordinance 2020-14 Declaring and Imposing a Curfew

Mayor Partin recited the majority of proposed Emergency Ordinance 2020-14. She stated that on May 25, 2020, Mr. George Floyd died while in custody of the Minneapolis Police Department. Since Mr. Floyd's death, many have expressed their frustration in a peaceful and constructive manner and demonstrators have gathered to protest Mr. Floyd's death. While peaceful demonstrations are essential to the country's democratic system, some individuals have engaged in unlawful and dangerous activity which threaten the safety of lawful demonstrators, the surrounding communities, and first responders. Events of Saturday, May 30, 2020 in the City of Columbia, near its boundaries with the City of Cayce, resulted in property and personal damage and unlawful conduct. More demonstrations were anticipated on May 31, 2020 and the City of Cayce wishes to support the City of Columbia and its law enforcement officers and the current demonstrations have created an emergency for our City, such that the Council, in the exercise of its statutory authority, believes it to be in the interests of public safety and public health and public welfare, the maintenance of good public order, the protection of public and private property, and the effective operation of the City government and its public safety resources, to provide, for a temporary period, for a daily curfew with restricted travel, with certain conditions and exceptions. Mayor Partin stated that anyone could access the proposed Emergency Ordinance on the City's website to see what the restrictions and the exceptions were. She stated that the exceptions include any individuals traveling to and from work, for work purposes, or for healthcare.

Mayor Partin stated that she and staff had reached out to a number of Cayce businesses that morning to let them know about the potential curfew. She stated that 8:30 p.m. was chosen in the curfew because most of the businesses either closed at that time or a little before and it would allow their staff time to run errands and get home. Mayor Partin stated that if the Emergency Ordinance imposing a curfew passed it would start that night at 8:30 a.m. and would be in effect until 6:00 a.m. Monday morning.

Ms. Hegler stated that the proposed Emergency Ordinance was shared with Deputy Chief Jones and he thought it would be very helpful for the Cayce Officers working and also would be supportive of what the City of Columbia was doing.

Council Member Almond made a motion to approve Emergency Ordinance 2020-14. Council Member Corley seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

City Manager's Report

Ms. Hegler stated that the City was offering their assistance to the City of Columbia in any way that they could. She stated that the prior night the City of Columbia asked staff to close the Blossom Street Bridge in-bound to provide the Columbia Police Officers some relief from more people entering the City particularly in the area where there was a curfew imposed. She stated that staff was prepared to close the bridge again that night if asked to. Ms. Hegler stated that staff did share that information with the local businesses as well. She stated that there were a lot of Public Safety Officers on Knox Abbott Drive and throughout the City of Cayce.

Council Comments

There were no Council comments.

Executive Session

- A. Receipt of legal advice relating to claims and potential claims by and against the City and other matters covered by the attorney-client privilege

There were no items to discuss in Executive Session.

Adjourn

Council Member Almond made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Council Member Jenkins seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by roll call vote. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:09 a.m.

Elise Partin, Mayor

ATTEST:

Mendy Corder, CMC, Municipal Clerk

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK ON A MATTER APPEARING ON THE
MEETING AGENDA, PLEASE COMPLETE THE INFORMATION BELOW
PRIOR TO THE START OF THE MEETING.* *THANK YOU.*

COUNCIL MEETING SPEAKERS' LIST

Date of Meeting May 31, 2020

Name	Address	Agenda Item

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