

Special Called Meeting of County Council

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County Council Agenda

Friday, October 09, 2020 at 6:00 PM

[This meeting is being held virtually in accordance with Beaufort County Resolution 2020-05]

CITIZEN COMMENTS AND PUBLIC HEARING COMMENTS WILL BE ACCEPTED IN WRITING VIA EMAIL TO THE CLERK TO COUNCIL AT SBROCK@BCGOV.NET OR PO DRAWER 1228, BEAUFORT SC 29901. CITIZENS MAY ALSO COMMENT DURING THE MEETING THROUGH FACEBOOK LIVE

- 1. CALL TO ORDER
- 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND INVOCATION Chairman Passiment

3. PUBLIC NOTIFICATION OF THIS MEETING HAS BEEN PUBLISHED, POSTED, AND DISTRIBUTED IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE SOUTH CAROLINA FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

CITIZEN COMMENTS

5. CITIZEN COMMENT (Every member of the public who is recognized to speak shall limit comments to three minutes - Citizens may email sbrock@bcgov.net or comment on our Facebook Live stream)

ACTION ITEMS

6. CONSIDERATION OF AN ORDONANCE EXTENDING THE STATE OF EMERGENCY IN BEAUFORT COUNTY

7. ADJOURNMENT

EMERGENCY ORDINANCE No. 2020 / 07

EXTENDING THE STATE OF EMERGENCY IN BEAUFORT COUNTY

WHEREAS, on March 16, 2020 County Council adopted emergency Ordinance No. 2020-01, declaring a state of emergency existed due to the effects of the COVID-19 coronavirus; and WHEREAS, since that time certain steps have been taken to protect public health and safety in accord with the authority vested in the County Council and following the orders of the Governor as well; and

WHEREAS, while those protective and preventative effects have succeeded in limiting the dangers of the COVID-19 virus, the dangers have not passed and ongoing protective and preventative measures are still necessary in the County; and

WHEREAS, on May 11, 2020, council adopted Emergency Ordinance 2020-02 which extended the state of emergency until June 11, 2020; and

WHEREAS, County Council extended the state of emergency from June 11 to August 10 by Emergency Ordinance 2020-04; and

WHEREAS, County Council extended the state of emergency from August 10 through October 9 by emergency ordinance 2020-05; and

WHEREAS, the state of emergency has continued to exist, uninterrupted, following the extensions of the state of emergency; and

NOW, THEREFORE, Beaufort County Council hereby finds that a state of emergency has continued to exist, uninterrupted, as evidenced by existing conditions and the Governor's extended declaration of a state of emergency for South Carolina with regard to the effects of the COVID-19 virus, thus necessitating the extension of the effective date of ordinance 2020-01 from October 9, 2020 for sixty days as allowed by law;

IT IS ORDERED that the terms of emergency ordinance 2020-01 are hereby continued to be in full force and effect for an additional (61) sixty-one days after its extended expiration date of October 9, 2020, and thus it shall expire on December 9, 2020, unless earlier repealed or further extended. All acts taken in accord with the state of emergency are hereby ratified and have full force and effect. This ordinance shall take effect October 9, 2020.

ORDERED in meeting duly assembled this 9th day of October, 2020

Joe Passiment, Chairman