

**MINUTES OF THE APRIL 30, 2020 CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING**

A special meeting of the Hopewell City Council was held Thursday, April 30, 2020, at 6:30 p.m. The meeting was scheduled to be held by electronic communication only, pursuant to Va. Code § 2.2-3708(A)(3).

**PRESENT:** Jasmine Gore, Mayor, Ward 4  
Patience Bennett, Vice Mayor, Ward 7  
Deborah Randolph, Councilor, Ward 1  
Arlene Holloway, Councilor, Ward 2  
John B. Partin, Jr., Councilor Ward 3  
Janice B. Denton, Councilor, Ward 5  
Brenda Pelham, Councilor, Ward 6

John M. Altman, Jr., City Manager  
Sandra R. Robinson, City Attorney  
Camisha M. Brown, Assistant City Clerk

**ROLL CALL**

Mayor Gore opened the meeting at 6:33p.m. Due to the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19), the meeting was held via Zoom Video Communications. Council was allowed to either call in on the telephone, or were able to video in using a smart phone, computer, laptop, or tablet. Citizens were able to watch the meeting live via YouTube. Mayor Gore waited a couple of minutes for everyone to get logged in or to call in. Mayor Gore requested a roll call, as follows:

Mayor Gore	-	present
Vice Mayor Bennett	-	present
Councilor Randolph	-	present
Councilor Partin	-	present
Councilor Holloway	-	present
Councilor Denton	-	present
Councilor Pelham	-	present

**SPECIAL MEETING**

The City Manager presented the proposed FY21 Operating and Capital Budget beginning at 6:35 p.m. Mr. Altman gave an overview of the proposed FY2021 budget. He stated that it addresses the operational and capital needs of funds required for the operation of City services in the amount of \$174,040,349. Mr. Altman addressed Council’s requests and questions and provided Council with future Work Session dates (May 5<sup>th</sup>, May 7<sup>th</sup>, May 14<sup>th</sup>, May 19<sup>th</sup> and May 21<sup>st</sup>). He continued to go through the packets that he provided to Council. After his presentation, there was discussion by Council.

**ADJOURN**

At 8:35 p.m., Councilor Randolph moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilor Partin seconded the motion. Upon the roll call, the vote resulted:

Vice Mayor Bennett	-	yes
Councilor Randolph	-	yes
Councilor Holloway	-	yes
Councilor Partin	-	yes
Mayor Gore	-	yes
Councilor Denton	-	yes
Councilor Pelham	-	no

**Motion passes 6-1**

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Jasmine E. Gore, Mayor

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Camisha M. Brown, Assistant City Clerk