

CITY OF LITHONIA MINUTES-SPECIAL CALLED & EXECUTIVE SESSION VIRTUAL MEETING Thursday, April 23, 2020 @ 2:00 PM

I. Call to Order and Roll Call

The Special Called and Executive Session Virtual Meeting were called to order at 2:15 pm by Mayor Shameka S. Reynolds. A roll call was taken and the following City Council Members were present: Diane Howard, Darold Honore, Amelia Inman, and Ric Dodd. Vanneriah Wynn later joined the call. City Accountant Craig Lymburner and City Attorney Valorri Jones joined the call as well.

II. Approval of Agenda

Councilman Honore motioned to approve the resolution to authorize the TAN; the motion was seconded by Councilwoman Howard, and approved by a vote of 4-0.

III. Discussion on TAN (Tax Anticipation Note)

City Accountant Craig Lymburner provided analysis stating that he compared bank balances for the past 4-5 years through the month of March, payroll being the largest expenditure with 9 pay periods (\$23,000.00 bi-weekly) for payout before the end of September, payment for overtime is currently low with the shortage of 2 officers and the chief of police opening at \$3,000.00 in savings per pay period. With all the uncertainties he is recommending \$150,000.00, and noting that the maximum interest rate for the stimulus is no more than 1%. Historically during his first year the city requested \$175,000.00. Additionally, he recommended that each department monitors its expenditures. Councilwoman Inman and Councilwoman Howard expressed concern of the potential decline of tax collection.

Councilman Honore motioned to amend the motion to approve the TAN for \$180,000.00; the motion was seconded by Councilman Dodd, and approved by a vote of 5-0.

IV. Discussion on City Clerk

Councilman Dodd expressed a concern that an announcement was not properly made in the public meeting held on April 20, 2020. City Attorney Valorri Jones indicated that the announcement of the city clerk was procedurally permissible as is.

Councilman Dodd motioned to adjourn for executive session to discuss legal matters; the motion was seconded by Councilwoman Howard, and approved by a vote of 5-0. The council entered executive session at 2:57 pm.

V. Executive Session to discuss Legal Matters

Executive Session reconvened at 3:57 pm.

VI. Action Items

After discussion on legal matters, no action was taken by council.

VII. Adjournment

Councilwoman Howard motioned to adjourn the meeting, the motion was seconded by Councilman Dodd; the motion was approved by a vote 5-0, and the meeting was adjourned at 3:59 pm.