City of San Marcos

Special Meeting - Final
City Council

Thursday, May 14, 2020 3:00 PM Virtual Meeting

Due to COVID-19, this will be a virtual meeting. To view the meeting please go to www.sanmarcostx.gov/videos or watch on Grande channel 16 or Spectrum channel 10.

I. Call To Order

II. Roll Call

PRESENTATIONS

1. Receive status reports and updates on response to COVID-19 pandemic; hold council discussion, and provide direction to Staff.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

2. Executive Session in accordance with Section §551.074 of the Texas Government Code: Personnel Matters - Council will be discussing and conducting annual performance evaluations of the City Manager and Municipal Court Judge.

DIRECTION/ACTION FOLLOWING EXECUTIVE SESSION

3. Consider action, by motion, or provide direction to Staff regarding the following Executive Session item in accordance with Section §551.074 of the Government Code: Personnel Matters - Council will be discussing and conducting annual performance evaluations of the City Manager and Municipal Court Judge.

III. Adjournment.

POSTED ON TUESDAY, MAY 5, 2020 @ 4:30PM

TAMMY K. COOK, INTERIM CITY CLERK

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AGENDA CAPTION:
Receive status reports and updates on response to COVID-19 pandemic; hold council discussion, and provide direction to Staff.
Meeting date: May 14, 2020

Department: City Manager’s Office

Amount & Source of Funding
Funds Required: N/A
Account Number: N/A
Funds Available: N/A
Account Name: N/A

Fiscal Note:
Prior Council Action: Click or tap here to enter text.

City Council Strategic Initiative: [Please select from the dropdown menu below]
Choose an item.
Choose an item.
Choose an item.

Comprehensive Plan Element(s): [Please select the Plan element(s) and Goal # from dropdown menu below]
☐ Economic Development - Choose an item.
☐ Environment & Resource Protection - Choose an item.
☐ Land Use - Choose an item.
☐ Neighborhoods & Housing - Choose an item.
☐ Parks, Public Spaces & Facilities - Choose an item.
☐ Transportation - Choose an item.
☒ Core Services
☐ Not Applicable
Master Plan: [Please select the corresponding Master Plan from the dropdown menu below (if applicable)]
Choose an item.

Background Information:
Presentation will be uploaded closer to meeting date to provide most up to date information.

Council Committee, Board/Commission Action:
Click or tap here to enter text.

Alternatives:
Click or tap here to enter text.

Recommendation:
Click or tap here to enter text.
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Status Report
Item 1

Receive status reports and updates on response to COVID-19 pandemic; hold Council discussion, and provide direction to Staff.
Known Cases – as of today

- 1,342,594 U.S. cases with at least 80,820 fatalities in 55 states or territories including D.C. (More than 18,000 new cases since yesterday)
  *source: Center for Disease Control and Prevention

- 41,048 cases in 220 Texas counties with 1,133 fatalities
  *source: Texas Department of State Health Services

- 214 in Hays County with 3 fatalities (69 active and 142 recovered)
  - 2,026 tests returned negative
  - 19 active and 41 recovered in San Marcos (1 fatality)
  - 20 cases have required hospitalization, 3 current
  *source: Hays County Health Department
• May 7: Executive Order eliminating confinement as a punishment for violating orders

• May 11: Federal funding for local jurisdictions
  – Letter and call to city and county leaders announcing $5.06 billion in funding available to local governments in Texas through the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act; $1.85 of this available to cities and counties under 500k population
  – Cities under population of 500,000 eligible for $55 per capita allocation from the $1.85 billion – San Marcos potentially eligible for $3.5 to $3.7 million in reimbursement funds
  – US Treasury: “funds may not be used to fill shortfalls in government revenue to cover expenditures that would not otherwise qualify as an eligible expenditure.”

• May 11: All nursing home residents, staff to be tested
Efforts to date (updated)

• Recovery Task Force continues to meet

• Processed Late Fee Exemptions for 117 commercial utility accounts, 80 residential utility accounts since implementation on March 26
  – Set up payment arrangements totaling over $237,000 for 895 utility customer accounts over that same time period

• Transitioned to Council review of COVID-19 dashboard
Upcoming considerations

- Evaluate duration of parks closures
- Requirements for safety practices at re-opened businesses
- Phased approach of re-opening City services and facilities
- Business Assistance Program – partnership with County
- CDBG-CV applications due May 20
  http://sanmarcostx.gov/3065/CDBG-Action-Plans
- Future Council meeting updates
Helpful community links

- http://www.sanmarcostx.gov/covid19info
- http://haysinformed.com/health-update/
- https://hayscountytx.com/covid-19-information-for-hays-county-residents/
- https://www.txstate.edu/coronavirus
- https://www.smcisd.net/
- https://www.dshs.texas.gov/coronavirus/
- https://sanmarcostexas.com/
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