

**CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING & WORK SESSION**

**APRIL 28, 2020**

The City Council of the City of McKinney, Texas met in Special Session and Work Session in the City Hall Council Chambers, 222 N. Tennessee Street, McKinney, Texas, on Tuesday, April 28, 2020 at 4:00 p.m.

The meeting was broadcast live on cable television and through the City's website on Spectrum Channel 16; AT&T U-Verse Channel 99; and online at <http://mckinney.legistar.com>. Some members chose to participate from remote locations in an effort to contain the spread of COVID-19.

Mayor George C. Fuller called the meeting to order at 4:02 p.m. upon determining a quorum of the Council was present, consisting of himself and the following members: La'Shadion Shemwell..... District 1

(Council Member Shemwell participated remotely by telephone.)

Rainey Rogers, Mayor Pro Tempore..... District 2

Scott Elliott ..... District 3

Rick Franklin ..... District 4

Charlie Philips ..... At Large

Frederick Frazier ..... At Large

City of McKinney Staff Present: City Manager Paul Grimes, Assistant City Manager Kim Flom, Assistant City Manager Barry Shelton, Assistant City Manager Steve Tilton, City Attorney Mark Houser, City Secretary Empress Drane, Strategic Services Manager Trevor Minyard, President of McKinney Community Development Corporation (MCDC) Cindy Schneible, Housing & Community Development Manager Janay Tieken, Community Services Administrator Shirletta Best, Human Resources Director Ike Obi, Director of Libraries Spencer Smith, and Video Producer Joey Barr

There were no members of the public present at the meeting.

Mayor Fuller called for Public Comments and read the public comment submitted by email from Bridgette Wallis. (see Minutes Appendix A - Citizen Comments Submitted by Email) There were no additional public comments.

Mayor Fuller called for the Special Agenda items:

- 20-0346** Consider/Discuss/Act on an Ordinance of the City Council of the City of McKinney, Texas, Amending and Restating Ordinance No. 2020-04-030 Declaring a Local State of Disaster Due to a Public Health Emergency in Response to the COVID-19 Virus Outbreak, Pursuant to the Texas Disaster Act of 1975, Chapter 418, Texas Government Code and Chapter 122 of the Texas Health and Safety Code; Providing a Penalty; Providing for the Publication of the Caption of this Ordinance; and Providing for an Effective Date

Council unanimously approved the motion by Council Member Charlie Philips, seconded by Council Member Rick Franklin, to approve an Ordinance Amending and Restating Ordinance No. 2020-04-030 Declaring a Local State of Disaster Due to a Public Health Emergency in Response to the COVID-19 Virus Outbreak, Pursuant to the Texas Disaster Act of 1975, Chapter 418, Texas Government Code and Chapter 122 of the Texas Health and Safety Code; Providing a Penalty; Providing for the Publication of the Caption of this Ordinance; and Providing for an Effective Date. Ordinance caption reads as follows:

**ORDINANCE NO. 2020-04-031**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MCKINNEY, TEXAS, AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2020-04-030 IN RESPONSE TO THE COVID-19 VIRUS OUTBREAK, PURSUANT TO THE TEXAS DISASTER ACT OF 1975, CHAPTER 418, TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE AND CHAPTER 122 OF THE TEXAS HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE; PROVIDING A PENALTY; PROVIDING FOR THE PUBLICATION OF THE CAPTION OF THIS ORDINANCE; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE**

- 20-0347** Consider/Discuss/Act on an Ordinance of the City Council of McKinney, Texas, Authorizing the 'McKinney Strong' COVID-19 Business Grant Program; and Authorizing a Certain Budget Amendment Pertaining to the Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Annual Budget, to Provide Funding for the 'McKinney Strong' COVID-19 Business Grant Program; and Providing for an Effective Date Hereof

Council unanimously approved the motion by Council Member Charlie Philips, seconded by Council Member Scott Elliott, to approve an Ordinance Authorizing the 'McKinney Strong' COVID-19 Business Grant Program; and Authorizing a Certain Budget Amendment Pertaining to the Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Annual Budget, to

Provide Funding for the 'McKinney Strong' COVID-19 Business Grant Program; and  
Providing for an Effective Date Hereof. Ordinance reads as follows:

**ORDINANCE NO. 2020-04-032**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MCKINNEY, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING THE 'MCKINNEY STRONG' COVID-19 BUSINESS GRANT PROGRAM; AND AUTHORIZING A CERTAIN BUDGET AMENDMENT PERTAINING TO THE FISCAL YEAR 2019-2020 ANNUAL BUDGET, TO PROVIDE FUNDING FOR THE MCKINNEY STRONG COVID-19 BUSINESS GRANT PROGRAM; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE HEREOF WORK SESSION ITEMS**

**20-0348** Discuss the Process and Allocation of CDBG-CV HUD Funding Under the  
CARES Act

Community Services Administrator Shirletta Best presented information regarding financial support for housing through the Community Development Block Grant, in response to the impacts of the COVID-19 coronavirus public health disaster. This item was for presentation purposes only, with no action by the Council.

Mayor Fuller called again for Public Comments, at which time there were no requests to address the Council.

Mayor Fuller called for Council & Manager Comments.

Council Member La'Shadion Shemwell encouraged everyone to stay home and stay safe, and he thanked those working to support and maintain strong communities during the public health disaster.

Council Member Rick Franklin encouraged everyone to take precaution and stay safe as businesses reopen, and he encouraged the support of charitable organizations in service to those in need during the public health disaster.

Council Member Frederick Frazier encouraged support of charitable organizations, encouraged on-going cleanliness practice (such as hand sanitizer in high-traffic areas) and social distancing in businesses, even after the public health disaster, and thanked front line responders working during the disaster.

Mayor Pro Tem Rainey Rogers had no comments.

Council Member Scott Elliott announced the North Texas Food Bank (NTFB) and McKinney ISD partnered for a mobile pantry event on April 28, which provided three thousand twenty-five (3,025) food boxes, approximately ninety-five thousand pounds of food to recipients, and thanked program organizers Rene Caldwell (NTFB), Dr. Rick

McDaniel (MISD), and Shawn Pratt (MISD). Council Member Elliott announce North Texas Giving Day would be held earlier than normal (May 5, 2020).

Council Member Charlie Philips stated that Charles McKissick expressed thanks to the Council for his reappointment to North Texas Municipal Water District and compliments to City Manager Paul Grimes for efforts to reach settlement in the Public Utility Commission (PUC) case. Council Member Philips encouraged reasonable prudence as businesses reopen.

Mayor Fuller echoed the compliments to City Manager Grimes regarding the PUC issue, stating that he looked forward to a resolution. Mayor Fuller encouraged support of the One Heart McKinney program, noting that one company offered to match donation funds up to fifty thousand dollars. Mayor Fuller thanked Rick Wells, non-profit organizations, and churches, for pulling together resources to support communities in need. Mayor Fuller emphasized the severity and impact of the COVID-19 pandemic, which has claimed many lives, and stated his daughter is still battling the virus after several weeks.

Council unanimously approved the motion by Council Member Scott Elliott, seconded by Council Member Rick Franklin, to adjourn the meeting at 5:14 p.m.

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GEORGE C. FULLER  
Mayor

ATTEST:

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EMPRESS DRANE  
City Secretary

**Minutes Appendix A - Citizen Comments Submitted by Email**

**From:** Bridgette <virtualbridgette@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 28, 2020 1:27 PM  
**To:** Contact-City Council  
**Subject:** public comment on item 20-0347

Dear City Council,

I'm asking the City Council to look at TIRZ#1 funding to help downtown businesses right now. The TIRZ #1 has roughly \$9M sitting in it right now that downtown businesses have added to over the years. They should be able to use some of it during this pandemic.

I've been told that the project scope for the TIRZ #1 does not include this sort of financial help to existing downtown businesses. We all know that a.) the current project scope of "eliminating unemployment and underemployment" can easily be interpreted to include existing businesses, and b.) since City Council sits on the TIRZ #1 board and can convene a special meeting at any time, another new project can amend the current project plan easily that would allow such a use of TIRZ funds.

The MDCDC money could then be used to help the many other small businesses that exist in McKinney. Downtown is not the only place in McKinney that is suffering.

Thank you for your time,  
Bridgette Wallis  
Kensington Lane, McKinney