

CITY OF HARTSELLE, ALABAMA

MAYOR'S DIRECTIVE

APRIL 8, 2020

Pursuant to the authority I am authorized to exercise under Council Resolution Number 20-0319, I am directing that the following shall be City policy and practice pending further notice:

1. This Directive supersedes the Directive issued by the undersigned dates April 2, 2020 in all respects.

2. There shall be a moratorium on submission of annexation requests. No applications for annexation shall be accepted or processed, other than those which have already been accepted prior to the date hereof. Those already in progress shall be processed in the normal course of business to the extent practicable under the conditions of the present Covid-19 health emergency. However, if the approval or denial of any particular annexation application by the City Council would result in such action on that approval being taken during the period of time when approval of annexations are restricted because of the proximity to the upcoming municipal election, then that particular annexation application shall be held in abeyance pending the expiration of the restrictive period due to the municipal election.

3. All Planning Commission, Board of Zoning Adjustments and Central Business District Design Review Board submissions and business, except as provided otherwise in Paragraphs 1 and 3 hereof, shall continue to be accepted and processed in the due course of business to the extent practicable. However, due to the potential, and even probability, that meetings of those municipal boards and commissions may not be able to go forward due to the lack of quorum in attendance, or that suitable arrangements for conducting public hearings in light of the current state-wide "Stay At Home" order or restrictions in the number of persons who can attend them cannot be practicably or conveniently made, persons or entities who submit requests or applications for action by such boards and commissions are to be advised, if it is reasonably possible to so advise them, to expect potential processing delays for the foregoing reasons. If such delays do occur for the foregoing reasons, those matters which are submitted for action before such boards and commissions during the current state of emergency shall receive priority attention when such meetings of the boards or commissions for consideration of the same are held.

4. No public hearings shall be scheduled without the written approval of the undersigned. The advertisement for public hearings required by law will be a waste of public funds if the hearing cannot be held for the reasons stated in Paragraph 3 or for other reasons related to the COVID-19 pandemic.

5. No event, parade, demonstration, assembly or other such permits shall be issued without the approval of the undersigned with the advice and counsel of the City Attorney.

6. The appropriate department heads, or their designees, shall develop and implement such policies, procedures, documents, notices and other matters, and take such actions, as may be appropriate or convenient to carry into effect the intent of this directive.

ORDERED this 8 day of April, 2020.



Randy A. Garrison, Mayor



Rita S. Lee, City Clerk

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