



The City of Mansfield

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NOTICE of PUBLIC MEETING

April 27, 2020 – 4:30PM

Via Telephone Conference

AGENDA

JOHN MAYWEATHER, SR.
MAYOR

MARVIN R. JACKSON
CITY CLERK

JOHN S. EVANS
CITY ATTORNEY

MARY J. GREEN
ALDERWOMAN, DISTRICT A

CHRISTOPHER S. THOMAS
ALDERMAN, DISTRICT B

MITCHELL L. LEWIS
ALDERMAN, DISTRICT C

JOSEPH F. HALL, JR.
ALDERMAN, DISTRICT D

KERVIN D. CAMPBELL
ALDERMAN, DISTRICT E

1. **Call to Order**
2. Invocation: Alderman **Joseph Hall, Jr.**
3. Pledge of Allegiance: Alderman **Christopher S. Thomas**
4. Roll Call by **City Clerk** at start of teleconference
5. Approval of minutes from the **April 13, 2020 regular** council meeting conducted via teleconference and dispense with the reading.
6. Public Comments Period (*limited to agenda-listed items only*)
7. **OLD BUSINESS** –None.
8. **NEW BUSINESS**
 - A. Adopt a **Resolution** approved the **2019-2020 Revised** and the **2020-2021** Budgets of the **DeSoto Parish Sales & Use Tax Commission**.
 - B. Adopt a **Resolution** in Opposition of all Proposed Legislation that Permits the Legislature to Remove the Authority of Local Governments to Administer and Collect Local Sales & Use Taxes. (HB 428/HB 581)
 - C. Introduction of proposed **Ordinance No. 2 of 2020** drafted to **amend** the city's Annual Financial Budget for FY **2020**, authorize advertisement of a Notice of Public Hearing in the May 7th edition of our local journal, and set a public hearing on same for May 11, 2020.
 - D. No other new business
9. Comments from Mayor Mayweather and Council Members
10. **Adjournment**

John H. Mayweather, Sr., Mayor
Marvin R. Jackson, City Clerk





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04/23/2020

CERTIFICATION OF INABILITY TO OPERATE DUE TO LACK OF QUORUM

PUBLIC MEETING OF
Mansfield Board of Aldermen
via **Teleconference** on
04/27/2020 at 4:30PM

In accordance with the Executive Proclamation JBE 2020-30 issued by Governor John Bel Edwards on March 16, 2020, and concurrence by the Attorney General on March 19, 2020, this notice shall serve as **Certification** of the *City of Mansfield's* inability to otherwise operate in accordance with the Louisiana Open Meetings Law due to a lack of quorum as a result of the COVID-19 public health emergency.

Pursuant to Section 4 of JBE 2020-30, the *City of Mansfield* will provide for attendance at its essential government meeting on Monday, **April 27, 2020** via telephone conference in order to obtain a quorum of its members.

Therefore, in accordance with JBE 2020-30, the *City of Mansfield's* meeting on Monday, **April 27, 2020 at 4:30PM** will be held via telephone conference and in a manner that will allow for observation and input by members of the public via email, facsimile or telephone. Interested persons have until 4:00PM on Monday, April 27th to submit public comments on any item (s) listed on the agenda. A notice was been posted on April 23, 2020 to provide further details on how public comments may be received by one of the mechanisms listed above.

All other Open Meetings Law requirements have been met.


John H. Mayweather, Sr.
Mayor/Chief Elected Official



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**PROCEDURES FOR RECEIVING PUBLIC COMMENTS
AT THE **APRIL 27, 2020** MEETING OF THE
MANSFIELD BOARD OF ALDERMEN
AT 4:30PM VIA TELECONFERENCE**

(GUIDELINES during COVID-19 Public Health Emergency)

Louisiana Revised Statute 42:14 requires public bodies to allow a public comment period at any point in the meeting prior to action on an agenda item upon which a vote is to be taken.

As a result of the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency, we are prohibited from assembling in person and have therefore opted to conduct the **April 27th** meeting of the Board of Aldermen via telephone conference. To allow for interested persons to participate in this meeting, we have provided the following mechanisms to receive public comments prior to the meeting. Public comments may be received up until 4:00PM on Monday, April 27, 2020:

- Email public comments to: dcclerkmans@bellsouth.net
- Fax public comments to: (318) 872-0402
- Phone in public comments by calling: (318) 872-0406 Ext#. 209

Any public comments received will be read aloud to the City Council members during the Public Comments period. This method will serve to adhere to the Public Comment requirement in LA R.S. 42:14, and allow interested persons to socially distance themselves while still having a mechanism to participate.

***These procedures have also been posted on the City's website at:**
www.cityofmansfield.net To access the agenda and these procedures, click on the Government tab, then on the City Clerk tab, and then on City Council Minutes.