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NOTICE of PUBLIC MEETING

August 24, 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 Mitchell L. Lewis

3. Pledge of Allegiance: Alderwoman Mary J. Green

4. Roll Call by City Clerk at start of teleconference

5. Approval of minutes from the August 10, 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. Approval authorizing the Mayor to enter into and execute a <u>Standard Form of Agreement Between Owner and Engineer for Professional Services</u> (Amendment No. 1 – **Exhibit J**) for the Louisiana Community Development Block Grant program for fiscal year 2020/2021 in the category of Sewer Rehabilitation Improvements (BPN 20028.000).

B. Approve the engagement of the independent auditing firm of *Thomas*, *Cunningham*, *Broadway* & *Todtenbier* for the audit of the financial statements of the *City of Mansfield* for the years ended <u>December 31, 2021</u> and December 31, 2022.

C. 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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08/21/2020

CERTIFICATION OF INABILITY TO OPERATE DUE TO LACK OF QUORUM

PUBLIC MEETING OF Mansfield Board of Aldermen via **Teleconference** on **08/24/2020** 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, **August 24, 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, August 24, 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, August 24th to submit public comments on any item (s) listed on the agenda. A notice was been posted on <u>August 21, 2020</u> 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 AUGUST 24, 2020 REGULAR 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 **August 24th** regular meeting of the Mansfield 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, August 24, 2020:

- Email public comments to: <u>dclerkmans@bellsouth.net</u>
- 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.