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NOTICE of PUBLIC MEETING

December 14, 2020 – 4:30PM

Mansfield City Hall – Council Room

via Teleconference

AGENDA

JOHN MAYWEATHER, SR.
MAYOR

MARVIN R. JACKSON
CITY CLERK

JOHN S. EVANS
CITY ATTORNEY

MARY L. 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 **Christopher S. Thomas**
3. Pledge of Allegiance: Alderman **Kervin D. Campbell**
4. Roll Call by *City Clerk*
5. Approval of minutes from the **November 23, 2020 regular** council meeting and dispense with the reading.
6. Approval to pay current outstanding bills for this period.
7. Public Comments Period (*limited to agenda-listed items only*)
8. **OLD BUSINESS**
 - A. Conduct public hearing to hear and discuss any comments related to proposed **Ordinance No. 4 of 2020**, drafted to amend the Code of Ordinances of the City of Mansfield to **increase** sewerage user fees, amending Section 21-46 (*Sewer System Charges*) of Division 2, of Article II in Chapter 21.
 - B. Re-introduction of proposed **Ordinance No. 5 of 2020**, drafted to amend the Code of Ordinances of the City of Mansfield to **increase** water rates, amending Section 21-53 (*Water Rates*) of Division 1, of Article III in Chapter 21, authorize advertisement of the title of the Ordinance on 12/24/2020, and set a public hearing on same for 12/28/2020.
 - C. Conduct public hearing to hear and discuss any comments regarding proposed **Ordinance No. 6 of 2020**, drafted to review and recommend adoption of an Operating Budget of Revenue and Expenditures for the fiscal year January 1, 2021 and ending December 31, 2021.
 - D. No other old business.
9. **NEW BUSINESS**
 - A. Introduction of proposed **Ordinance No. 7 of 2020**, drafted to amend the City's Annual Financial Budget for FY **2020**, authorize advertisement of the title of the Ordinance on 12/24/2020, and set a public hearing on same for 12/28/2020. (Budget #2 of 2020.)



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Regular Meeting of the
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- B. Approve adoption of **Ordinance No. 4 of 2020**, drafted to amend the Code of Ordinances of the City of Mansfield to **increase** sewerage user fees, amending Section 21-46 (*Sewer System Charges*) of Division 2, of Article II in Chapter 21.
- C. Approve adoption of **Ordinance No. 6 of 2020**, drafted to recommend adoption of an Operating Budget of Revenue and Expenditures for the fiscal year January 1, 2021 and ending December 31, 2021.
- D. Authorize the Mayor to enter into and execute the renewal of a **Louisiana Commercial Lease Agreement** between the city and **Allie B. Campbell d/b/a Campbell's Soul Café** for another 24-month term commencing January 1, 2021 and terminating December 31, 2023.
- E. No other new business

10. Comments from Mayor Mayweather and Council Members

11. Adjournment

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





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12/11/2020

CERTIFICATION OF INABILITY TO OPERATE DUE TO LACK OF QUORUM

PUBLIC MEETING OF
Mansfield Board of Aldermen
via **Teleconference** on
12/14/2020 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, **December 14, 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, **December 14, 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, September 28th to submit public comments on any item (s) listed on the agenda. A notice was been posted on December 11, 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



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PROCEDURES FOR RECEIVING PUBLIC COMMENTS AT THE **DECEMBER 14, 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 **December 14th 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, December 14, 2020:

- Email public comments to: dclerkmans@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**.