



# City of Wimberley

221 Stillwater Drive, Wimberley, Texas 78676

## SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING THURSDAY, APRIL 23, 2020 – 6:00 P.M.

### MINUTES

In accordance with order of the Office of the Governor issued March 16, 2020, the City Council of the City of Wimberley will conduct a teleconference/video conference meeting in order to advance the public health goal of limiting face-to-face meetings (also called “social distancing”) to slow the spread of the Coronavirus (COVID-19).

The meeting will be held on **Thursday, April 23, 2020, at 6:00 p.m.**

The public may participate in this meeting via the following toll-free numbers 888-475-4499 or 877-853-5257 and/or using the meeting ID 828 6483 0001 and using the password 030141.

The public will be permitted to offer public comments and participate in any public hearing via teleconference or video conference, as provided by the agenda and as permitted by the presiding officer during the meeting.

Anyone wishing to offer public comments or offer written questions or comments must notify City Secretary, Laura Calcote, at [lcalcote@cityofwimberley.com](mailto:lcalcote@cityofwimberley.com), at least two hours before the meeting.

A recording of the meeting will be made and will be available to the public in accordance with the Texas Public Information Act upon written request.

### CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Pro Tem, Rebecca Minnick, called the meeting to order on April 23, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.

### CALL OF ROLL

Council Members Present:	Rebecca Minnick	Place One <i>(via teleconference)</i>
	Craig Fore	Place Two <i>(via teleconference)</i>
	Christine Byrne	Place Three <i>(via teleconference)</i>
	Gary Barchfeld	Place Four <i>(via teleconference)</i>
	Bo Bowman	Place Five <i>(via teleconference)</i>
Council Members Absent:	Susan Jagers	Mayor
City Staff Present:	Shawn Cox	City Administrator <i>(via teleconference)</i>
	Laura Calcote	City Secretary <i>(via teleconference)</i>
	Charlie Zech	City Attorney <i>(via teleconference)</i>

Terri Provost	Community Center Director <i>(via teleconference)</i>
John Provost	Public Works Superintendent <i>(via teleconference)</i>
Nathan Glaiser	Parks Maintenance & Natural Resource Manager <i>(via teleconference)</i>
Richard Shaver	Parks Operations & Programs Manager <i>(via teleconference)</i>

**CITY ADMINISTRATOR REPORT**

City Administrator, Shawn Cox, updated Council on the number of confirmed COVID-19 cases in the Wimberley Valley and within the Wimberley City Limits. Mr. Cox also spoke regarding the Wimberley COVID-19 Task Force calls held every Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Additionally, there was discussion among Council and Mr. Cox concerning the Blue Hole Regional Park trails reopening in early May.

**PRESENTATION**

Wimberley Valley Chamber of Commerce Director, Michaelanne Hurst, provided Council an overview regarding the Chamber’s response to the COVID-19 crisis, including curbside retail information and the wide range of challenges and needs Wimberley businesses were facing during the pandemic.

**DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION**

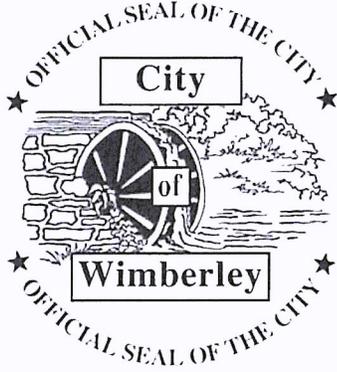
- 5.1. Discuss and consider possible action regarding the development of an action plan to reopen Wimberley. *(Place One Council Member Rebecca Minnick)*  
 There was discussion among Council and City staff regarding a phased approach to reopen Wimberley in the coming weeks and months, and forming a task force of vested individuals, who could assist in the planning process.  
 No action was taken on this item.
  
- 5.2. Discuss and consider possible action regarding COVID-19 local policy, local policy development and coordination. *(Place One Council Member Rebecca Minnick)*  
 City Attorney, Charlie Zech, advised on Council’s policy decisions and how advisory/guidance policy is preferable for local enforceability. Council agreed a public health advisory could be beneficial, and requested an item be placed on the next agenda for consideration.  
 No action was taken on this item.
  
- 5.3. Discuss and consider possible action regarding the City of Wimberley’s contract with Aqua Texas for the treatment of wastewater. *(City Administrator Shawn Cox)*  
 There was lengthy discussion pertaining to the revised conditions and terms of the Aqua Texas contract and the current ordinance requiring users to tie into the wastewater system.  
 No action was taken on this item.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:33 p.m. was made by Council Member Craig Fore. Motion was seconded by Council Member Gary Barchfeld. Motion carried unanimously (5-0).**

**RECORDED BY:**

Laura J. Calcote  
Laura J. Calcote, City Secretary



**APPROVED BY:**

Rebecca Minnick  
Rebecca Minnick, Mayor Pro Tem