



City of Wimberley

221 Stillwater Drive, Wimberley, Texas 78676

SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING **THURSDAY, APRIL 30, 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 30, 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 811 7027 2408 and using the password 008360.

The public will be permitted to offer comments 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, 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, Susan Jagers, called the meeting to order on April 30, 2020 at 6:01 p.m.

CALL OF ROLL

Council Members Present:	Susan Jagers	Mayor (<i>via teleconference</i>)
	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>)
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</i>

Nathan Glaiser *teleconference)*
Parks Maintenance & Natural Resource
Manager *(via teleconference)*
Richard Shaver Parks Operations & Programs Manager *(via teleconference)*

PRESENTATION

Presentation by Live Oak Health Partners, Dr. Hernandez and Dr. Price, regarding the current Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) guidelines for preventing the spread of COVID-19 and up-to-date testing within the Wimberley community. *(Amy Hernandez and Eric Price, MDs)*

Dr. Hernandez and Dr. Price reported on Hays County testing procedures and future antibody testing for COVID-19. There was discussion among Council and the doctors regarding the confirmed number of cases in the Wimberley Valley. Furthermore, the doctors encouraged the public to continue to follow the CDC guidelines to limit the spread of the virus within the community.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR REPORT

City Administrator, Shawn Cox, provided an update regarding the total number of COVID-19 tests administered in Hays County and the current number of confirmed, active, cases within the County. City staff and Council discussed the number of tests available and testing methods. Mr. Cox also highlighted the phased reopening of Blue Hole Regional Park. The trails would open to the public beginning May 1st. There was also discussion concerning the downtown restroom trailer being reopened for visitors to the vicinity. Sara Aragon, of Mariposa Cleaning Services, LLC, addressed Council regarding the cleaning and disinfecting of City restrooms, including the associated costs for the service.

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 regarding how to reopen Wimberley businesses safely and effectively on May 1st, per the Governor's newest executive orders, and how the City could assist in the process.
No action was taken on this item.
- 5.2. Discuss and consider possible action regarding a Public Health Advisory related to COVID-19 by the City of Wimberley City Council. *(Place One Council Member Rebecca Minnick)*
Motion to issue a Public Health Advisory related to COVID-19 by the City of Wimberley City Council was made by Council Member Rebecca Minnick. Motion was seconded by Council Member Christine Byrne. Motion carried unanimously (5-0).
- 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)*
City Administrator, Shawn Cox, highlighted the changes in the revised Aqua Texas contract. There was discussion among Council, Mr. Cox and City Attorney, Charlie Zech, regarding the amendments.
There were two citizen's comments. They were as follows:

1. Gina Fulkerson thanked all parties involved for their work on the contract and encouraged Council to move forward with approval of the document.
2. Steve Thurber cautioned Council not to rush into a contract and to consider financial concerns, including the hook-up fee and processing charge, outlined in the document.

Motion to approve the City of Wimberley's contract with Aqua Texas for the treatment of wastewater was made by Council Member Gary Barchfeld. Motion was seconded by Council Member Craig Fore. Motion carried unanimously (5-0).

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:20 p.m. was made by Council Member Rebecca Minnick. 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