TOWN OF ATLANTIC BEACH TOWN COUNCIL TELECONFERENCE MEETING

Monday, June 1, 2020

5:00 p.m.

The Town of Atlantic Beach Town Council meeting was held and recorded via teleconference at Atlantic Beach, South Carolina, on the 1st day of June, 2020.

APPEARANCES

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Mayor Jake Evans, Chairman Councilwoman Josephine Isom Councilwoman Jacqueline Gore Councilwoman Glenda Williams

ADMINISTRATION:

Benjamin Quattlebaum Jr., Town Manager Cheryl Pereira, Town Clerk

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Evans? Councilwoman Josephine Isom?

COUNCILWOMAN ISOM: 24 Here.

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CLERK: Councilwoman Jacqueline Gore?



	ATLANTIC BEACH TOWN COUNCIL MEETING 4
1	COUNCILWOMAN GORE: Here.
2	CLERK: Councilwoman Glenda Williams?
3	COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS: Here.
4	CLERK: Mayor Jake Evans?
5	COUNCILWOMAN ISOM: Should I go
6	MR. QUATTLEBAUM: Okay, you Yes, we're now in
7	Executive Session.
8	Executive Session:
9	(Executive Session.)
10	General Session:
11	MAYOR EVANS: This Town Council meeting is called to
12	order this Monday, June 1st, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.
13	Roll call?
14	CLERK: Councilman Lenearl Evans? Councilwoman
15	Josephine Isom?
16	COUNCILWOMAN ISOM: (Inaudible.)
17	CLERK: Councilwoman Jacqueline Gore?
18	COUNCILWOMAN GORE: Here.
19	CLERK: Councilwoman Glenda Williams?
20	COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS: Here.
21	CLERK: Mayor Jake Evans?
22	MAYOR EVANS: Here. Want to take this time to
23	welcome anybody to the meeting and ask if or
24	at this point, a moment of silence.
25	(Moment of Silence.)

23 COUNCILWOMAN ISOM: (Inaudible.) God bless you.

MAYOR EVANS: Thank you.

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(Inaudible background noise.)

ATLANTIC BEACH TOWN COUNCIL MEETING 1 MAYOR EVANS: At this time, Council, seek, a motion 2 for the approval of the agenda. 3 COUNCILWOMAN ISOM: So moved ---4 COUNCILWOMAN GORE: So moved. 5 COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS: Second. 6 MAYOR EVANS: There's a motion and a second approve the agenda as it is outlined. 7 Any 8 other questions or comments? If not, roll 9 call? Councilwoman Josephine Isom? 10 COUNCILWOMAN ISOM: 11 Yea. 12 CLERK: Councilwoman Jacqueline Gore? 13 COUNCILWOMAN GORE: Yea. Councilwoman Glenda Williams? 14 15 COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS: Yea. 16 CLERK: Mayor Jake Evans? 17 MAYOR EVANS: Yea. Motion granted for the approval 18 of the agenda. 19 Old Business: 20 MAYOR EVANS: We're down to Old Business, 21 Council meeting minutes. Minutes from the Town 22 Council meeting held on April the 6th, 2020 and 23 May 6th, 2020. 24 COUNCILWOMAN ISOM: May the 8th. May 8th, Mayor.

May 8th, 2020. Okay. I'm sorry, my

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MAYOR EVANS:

1	MR. QUATTLEBAUM: Mayor and Co
2	before you is a proposed
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5	30th, 2020. After cor
6	Municipal Association and
7	given the COVID nation
8	emergency, municipalities
9	adopt the fiscal expenses
10	pending an amendment to
11	identify better our (ph)
12	levels after the start
13	Currently now, the Town
14	based on our COVID-19
15	license fees collection
16	hospitality taxes, permit
17	fees are all down and have
18	COVID-19 pandemic. As a
19	it is difficult, if not im
20	the income and expense lev
21	the upcoming fiscal year.
22	in this ordinance to Counc
23	expenses and expenditure -
24	levels for 2019-2020,
25	projected at \$767,300 for

uncil, what you have (inaudible) amended nse and income level 30th, 2019 to June nsultation with the d our attorney, and nal declaration of have the ability to from the prior years, the budget once we expense and income of the fiscal year. of Atlantic Beach, impact on business s, property taxes, ting fees and other been impacted by the result, at this time mpossible, to predict vels for the Town for So I'm recommending cil that we adopt the -- income and expense which total income income, and expenses

\$750,040. Keeping in mind that those numbers are nowhere near what we anticipate collecting due to the negative income -- economic impact of COVID-19 on all municipalities throughout the State of South Carolina and throughout the country. So, in an effort of caution and to being compliant with State law, I'm Council recommending that adopt the same expenditure levels for 2019-2020 for 2020 --July 1st, 2020 to June 30th, 2021, with the understanding that in the coming months that there will be an amendment based on when we have better budgetary projections (inaudible).

MAYOR EVANS: Any questions?

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COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS: No questions.

COUNCILWOMAN ISOM: None.

MAYOR EVANS: Okay, Council, I seek a motion to adopt Ordinance Number 4-2020, the Ordinance to adopt a budget for Town of Atlantic Beach for the fiscal year July 1st, 2020 ending June 30th, 2021, and reading -- first reading. Seek a motion.

COUNCILWOMAN ISOM: So moved, Mr. Mayor.

24 | COUNCILWOMAN GORE: Second ---

COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS: Second.

ATLANTIC BEACH TOWN COUNCIL MEETING 10 1 MAYOR EVANS: There's a motion and a second to adopt Ordinance Number 4-2020, first reading. 2 3 other questions or comments? If not, roll 4 call? 5 CLERK: Councilwoman Josephine Isom? COUNCILWOMAN ISOM: 6 Yea. 7 CLERK: Councilwoman Jacqueline Gore? 8 COUNCILWOMAN GORE: Yea. CLERK: Councilwoman Glenda Williams? 9 10 COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS: Yea. 11 CLERK: Mayor Jake Evans? 12 MAYOR EVANS: Yea. Motion granted. We're down to B under New Business, Ordinance Number 5-2020, 13 14 extending declaration of emergency in the Town of Atlantic Beach until June 30th, 2020. 15 16 MR. QUATTLEBAUM: Mayor and Council ---17 COUNCILWOMAN GORE: You need ---18 MR. QUATTLEBAUM: Excuse me? 19 COUNCILWOMAN GORE: I think you mixed them up. 20 Resolution and -- he said June 30th, 2020, but 21 there -- for fiscal year (inaudible) Resolution 22 Number 5-2020 where you advise that he -- I 23 think he -- (inaudible), you know, June 30th? 24 CLERK: We're on B ---25 MAYOR EVANS: I was reading the date.

ATLANTIC BEACH TOWN COUNCIL MEETING 11 CLERK: We're ---1 2 COUNCILWOMAN ISOM: Well, he didn't read -- he read B ---3 4 CLERK: We're on B, Ordinance 5-2020. 5 COUNCILWOMAN GORE: Right. But it's supposed to be 6 -- he -- I mean -- okay. 7 MR. QUATTLEBAUM: No, no -- I see. Let me clarify. 8 COUNCILWOMAN ISOM: Yeah ---COUNCILWOMAN GORE: Okay (ph). 9 10 MR. QUATTLEBAUM: In the body of the ordinance, the date that the declaration is 'til July the 5th, 11 12 as opposed to June the 30th. COUNCILWOMAN ISOM: Uh-huh. 13 14 MR. QUATTLEBAUM: And the thinking is to get past 15 the July 4th holiday, the next regular meeting 16 of the Council is on July the 6th. So, Mayor, 17 that amendment should read until July the 5th. 18 MAYOR EVANS: Are you talking about the ---19 FEMALE SPEAKER: On B? 20 MAYOR EVANS: --- the information on in В 21 (inaudible)? 22 MR. QUATTLEBAUM: Yes, sir. 23 MAYOR EVANS: Okay. So ---24 MR. QUATTLEBAUM: July the 5th. 25 MAYOR EVANS: So it should read July the 5th instead

	ATLANTIC BEACH TOWN COUNCIL MEETING 12
1	of June 30th is what you're saying?
2	MR. QUATTLEBAUM: Yes, sir.
3	MAYOR EVANS: Okay, all right.
4	COUNCILWOMAN ISOM: Okay. I'll make that
5	correction. Okay.
6	MAYOR EVANS: Is that it?
7	MR. QUATTLEBAUM: And the first
8	COUNCILWOMAN ISOM: Read it again, Mr. Mayor.
9	MAYOR EVANS: All right.
10	MR. QUATTLEBAUM: Just for the
11	COUNCILWOMAN ISOM: I thought you were gonna read it
12	again with the correction so that
13	MAYOR EVANS: Oh, okay.
14	COUNCILWOMAN ISOM: she can record it.
15	MAYOR EVANS: Okay, all right. Ordinance Number 5-
16	2020, extending declaration of emergency in the
17	Town of Atlantic Beach until July 5th, 2020 is
18	the motion that I'm seeking.
19	COUNCILWOMAN GORE: I think that okay. So
20	therefore, it should've been Ordinance Number
21	6-2020 extending declaration, is that I
22	thought you was going to read (inaudible)?
23	FEMALE SPEAKER: That was
24	MAYOR EVANS: Now, the other one that the
25	ordinance for the budget was 4-2020

	ATLANTIC BEACH TOWN COUNCIL MEETING 13
1	COUNCILWOMAN GORE: Uh-huh.
2	COUNCILMAN EVANS: and this 5-2020. And the
3	resolution C says 5-2020 too. So I
4	COUNCILWOMAN GORE: Well
5	MAYOR EVANS: you've got the same ordinance
6	number for B and C. Am I does everybody's
7	look like that?
8	COUNCILWOMAN ISOM: Yeah
9	COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS: Not mine. No, Mayor
10	you're right.
11	(Inaudible background noise.)
12	COUNCILWOMAN ISOM: June the 5th or July
13	MAYOR EVANS: Yes
14	COUNCILWOMAN ISOM: So you can make a correction.
15	MAYOR EVANS: See, I wanted to recognize that under
16	the New Business, B and C both have the same
17	ordinance numbers. Well, I mean one of them
18	-
19	FEMALE SPEAKER: That's a resolution
20	MAYOR EVANS: one's an ordinance and one's a
21	resolution.
22	COUNCILWOMAN ISOM: Yes.
23	MR. QUATTLEBAUM: That's correct.
24	MAYOR EVANS: They have the same number. It's just
25	one is an ordinance and one is a resolution,

	ATLANTIC BEACH TOWN COUNCIL MEETING 14
1	which I think is (inaudible). Yeah.
2	COUNCILWOMAN ISOM: Right.
3	MR. QUATTLEBAUM: That's correct.
4	COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS: Mr. Mayor, mine says 6-2020
5	in under New Business, B, Resolution Number
6	is 5-2020. And then under New Business, C, is
7	Ordinance Number 6-2020
8	CLERK: That is (inaudible), Ms. Glenda.
9	MAYOR EVANS: Well, mine is different. Mine says B
LO	is 5-2020 and C says Resolution Number 5-2020
L1	
L2	(Inaudible background noise.)
L3	MAYOR EVANS: 5-2020, but one says Ordinance and
L 4	once says Resolution.
L5	COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS: So, which is the ordinance -
L 6	
L7	CLERK: I'm what I'm wondering. Excuse
L8	MAYOR EVANS: Cheryl
L9	CLERK: Council? The package I sent to you, A,
20	B, C, that's what it have. There was a package
21	final package that was sent to Council A,
22	B and C.
23	COUNCILWOMAN GORE: So you've got Ordinance Number 5
24	for A
2.5	CLERK: No. Ordinance

L	(Inaudible	background	noise.)

CLERK: I don't know if you all are mixing it up, but A is Ordinance Number 4. And then you have another Ordinance, which is Number 5. Resolution Number 5. Order of ordinance -- the resolution has its own number and the ordinance 7 has its own number. So after Ordinance -- A is Ordinance Number 4, to adopt a budget. B is Ordinance Number 5. So it goes in numeral order -- 4, 5.

- COUNCILWOMAN ISOM: Uh-huh.
- 12 CLERK: And then the Resolution ---
- 13 COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS: 5 -- 4, you all ---
- The Resolution is Number 5. Because we have 14
- 15 four other resolutions before it.
- 16 (Inaudible background noise.)
- 17 MAYOR EVANS: That's exactly what I have, but that's
- 18 not what everybody else is saying that they
- 19 have.

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- 20 Well, this was the ---CLERK:
- 21 COUNCILWOMAN ISOM: I have 4 and 5 ---
- 22 CLERK: --- final packet that was sent to Council.
- 23 It depends on what was printed out in the
- 24 e-mail .
- 25 COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS: Oh, okay.



	ATLANTIC BEACH TOWN COUNCIL MEETING 17
1	MAYOR EVANS: Does everybody read
2	CLERK: ordinances and resolutions are two
3	different things
4	COUNCILWOMAN GORE: Resolution or ordinance? I've
5	got ordinance, then I've got a resolution and
6	then I've got an ordinance.
7	CLERK: Did you print all your stuff
8	MAYOR EVANS: (Inaudible.)
9	CLERK: Did you print it out
LO	COUNCILWOMAN GORE: I don't have
L1	CLERK: Councilwoman Gore, your final package,
L2	did you print it out?
L3	COUNCILWOMAN GORE: The final package? Maybe that's
L 4	my problem. Maybe I don't have the final
L5	package, but I thought I did.
L 6	CLERK: Well, when I
L7	(Inaudible background noise.)
L8	MAYOR EVANS: What you've got, what was in the
L9	e-mail she sent? She said the e-mail was the
20	same thing as (inaudible) package is what she
21	said.
22	(Inaudible background noise.)
23	COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS: Maybe there was a second
24	e-mail or something but nevertheless, I mean,
25	if you're reading what's the most accurate

first reading on the budget. Okay, B ---

Yeah, we got that one.

Yeah.

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COUNCILWOMAN ISOM:

ATLANTIC BEACH TOWN COUNCIL MEETING 19 1 MAYOR EVANS: Okay. B is Ordinance Number 5-2020 --2 3 COUNCILWOMAN ISOM: Right. 4 MAYOR EVANS: And this is extending declaration of 5 emergency in the Town of Atlantic Beach until 6 July the 5th, 2020 ---COUNCILWOMAN ISOM: Yes, correct. 7 8 MAYOR EVANS: --- that's the ordinance that I need 9 the motion for. 10 COUNCILWOMAN GORE: So moved. COUNCILWOMAN ISOM: Yeah, that's been corrected. 11 12 MAYOR EVANS: All right, do you second it? I need a 13 second. 14 COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS: Second. 15 Yeah, it's Ordinance -- It's the MAYOR EVANS: 16 Ordinance Number 5-2020 and instead of June the 17 30th, it should read July the 5th, 2020. 18 this is the Ordinance extending the declaration 19 of emergency in the Town of Atlantic Beach. 20 we've got a first and a second, right, for that 21 motion? 22 COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS: (Inaudible.) 23 COUNCILWOMAN ISOM (ph): 24 MAYOR EVANS: All right. Roll call? 25 CLERK: Councilwoman Josephine Isom?

- 1 | COUNCILWOMAN ISOM: Yea.
- 2 | CLERK: Councilwoman Jacqueline Gore?
- 3 | COUNCILWOMAN GORE: Yea.
- 4 | CLERK: Councilwoman Glenda Williams?
- 5 | COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS: Yea.
- 6 **CLERK:** Mayor Jake Evans?

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MAYOR EVANS: Yea. Motion granted. Now, we're down to C under New Business, and this is Resolution Number 5-2020. And this is a resolution to extend certain business license collection dates for the current fiscal year due to the

Mayor and Council, this resolution MR. QUATTLEBAUM: is being presented to Council based on impact of COVID-19 on local businesses as well and national, anticipating that as state businesses have been economically impacted, giving the option for the Town Manager and the accountant to review financial information submitted upon renewal of business license for the fiscal year 2021 to assess whether their economic impact and to grant them an option of payment over time as opposed to 100 percent of the business license fees that are due and payable as of June 30th. Businesses will have

ATLANTIC BEACH TOWN COUNCIL MEETING 21 to show and demonstrate hardship. 1 And the 2 second option, severe hardship, to be eligible 3 to take advantage of this payment option should 4 Council approve the -- these two options 5 through resolution. 6 MAYOR EVANS: This is a motion to adopt Resolution 7 Number 5-2020. 8 COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS: So moved, Mr. Mayor. COUNCILWOMAN ISOM: 9 Second. 10 MAYOR EVANS: There's a motion and a second to adopt 5-2020, 11 Resolution Number a resolution to 12 extend certain business license collection 13 dates for the current fiscal year due to the 14 Any other questions or comments? emergency. Roll call? 15 Councilwoman Josephine Isom? 16 CLERK: 17 COUNCILWOMAN ISOM: Yea. 18 CLERK: Councilwoman Jacqueline Gore? COUNCILWOMAN GORE: 19 Yea. 20 Councilwoman Glenda Williams? CLERK: 21 COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS: Yea. 22 CLERK: Mayor Jake Evans? 23 MAYOR EVANS: Yea. Motion granted. 24 Report: 25 MAYOR EVANS: We're down to Manager's report.

1	MR. Ç	QUATTLEBAUM: Mayor and Council, first I would
2		like to commend and acknowledge the action on
3		the part of Town Council in extending the
4		closure of beach access for Memorial Day
5		weekend. I think it had a great impact in
6		keeping down the crowds and tourism within the
7		Town, and limiting the exposure of local
8		residents to the Coronavirus disease. Also
9		like to commend our Police Department for doing
10		an outstanding job during the Memorial Day
11		weekend, managing the entire weekend without
12		any major incidents over that weekend period.
13		<pre>Item I would like to also bring to Council's</pre>
14		attention that on this Saturday, the 6th of
15		June, South Carolina DHEC has committed to
16		provide COVID Coronavirus testing at our Town
17		Community Center on Saturday from 8:00 a.m.
18		until 12:00 noon. Senior citizens will be
19		tested in their cars from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00
20		a.m. No one has to get out to be tested. It
21		will be a drive-through through our parking lot
22		at the Community Center. South Carolina DHEC
23		is making all of the arrangements and
24		preparations to do the testing. We have sent
25		out flyers today, hand delivered to residents

in the community. We'll have it posted on the
website and also on the Police Facebook page,
information in regards to that. I want to
thank Ms. Isom for facilitating the contact for
me for DHEC to get this set up and to service
to the residents of the Town of Atlantic Beach.
It is open to residents all residents of the
Town of Atlantic Beach and their relatives if
they are residents of the State of South
Carolina. So in addition to themselves, if
they have other relatives, as long as they're
residents of the State of South Carolina, they
can be tested. Testing will start well,
they'll start setting up at 7:00 a.m., but
actual testing starts at 8:00. We hope to give
seniors priority or will give seniors
priority to be tested first. It will be the
oral test that is administered. And I don't
recall how long it takes for the results back,
but each individual who's tested will be
confidentially notified of the results of the
test. Any questions in regards to that?

MAYOR EVANS: No, sounds good. I just probably want to add how strict are they, and how are they tracking whether somebody's -- somebody is a

1 relative or not, or if somebody ---

MR. QUATTLEBAUM: No. They're not ---

MAYOR EVANS: --- is lying ---

(Inaudible background noise.)

MR. QUATTLEBAUM: Well, let me ... They're looking to test close to 200 to 250 people. They're not ---

MAYOR EVANS: Okay.

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MR. QUATTLEBAUM: --- they're not going to anyone away, and all they're doing is just -the process is, they will file an application of everyone -- the driver and everybody in their car in terms of that information, and then provide a test to them. So in answer to your question, no, Mayor, they're being very They're trying to get the -- South liberal. Carolina DHEC has a percentage that they're trying to test throughout the county as well as the state, and this is part of providing these resources to our minority community in the county and the state.

MAYOR EVANS: Okay.

23 COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS (ph): Sounds good.

24 | MAYOR EVANS: Any questions from anybody else?

COUNCILWOMAN ISOM: No, (inaudible).

ATLANTIC BEACH TOWN COUNCIL MEETING 2.5 COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS: 1 No. 2 COUNCILWOMAN GORE: None from me. 3 MAYOR EVANS: All right. We're down to Public Time, 4 do we have anybody on the phone or anyone 5 turned in a public comment card? 6 CLERK: No. 7 MAYOR EVANS: 8 CLERK: No. 9 MAYOR EVANS: Okay, Council, I seek a motion to 10 adjourn? COUNCILWOMAN GORE: I seek a motion ---11 12 COUNCILWOMAN ISOM: Mayor, I make ---13 I mean I seek -- make a motion. COUNCILWOMAN GORE: 14 (Inaudible background noise.) 15 COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS: Mr. Mayor, I make a motion 16 we adjourn. 17 COUNCILWOMAN GORE: That's everybody. 18 COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS (ph): I'll second it 19 (inaudible). 20 MAYOR EVANS: All right, there's a motion and a 21 second to adjourn. Roll call? 22 CLERK: Councilwoman Josephine Isom? 23 COUNCILWOMAN ISOM: Yea. 24 Councilwoman Jacqueline Gore? CLERK: 25 COUNCILWOMAN GORE: Yea.

	ATLANTIC BEACH TOWN COUNCIL MEETING 26	
1	CLERK: Councilwoman Glenda Williams?	
2	COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS: Yea.	
3	CLERK: Mayor Jake Evans?	
4	MAYOR EVANS: Yea. Motion granted. This meeting is	
5	adjourned at 6:31 p.m.	
6	(There being nothing further, the meeting was	
7	adjourned.)	
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