

Upon notice duly given under Arizona Revised Statutes, Section 38-431, et seq., as amended, the City Council of the City of Bullhead City held a Special Meeting on Tuesday, March 17, 2020, in the Council Chambers, 1255 Marina Blvd., Bullhead City, Arizona.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Brady called the special meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

Council Present

Brady, Bruck, Clark, D'Amico (via telephone), Ring, Shutts (via telephone),  
Wegmann (via telephone)

Council Absent

None

Franchise License Commission Members Present

Craig Powers, Chairman  
Norma Brummett  
Eva Corbett  
David Lipinski (via telephone)

Franchise License Commission Members Absent

Ray Jackson

Staff Present

CITY MANAGER: Toby Cotter  
CITY CLERK: Susan Stein

**DISCUSSION ITEM(S)**

1. Joint Meeting with the Franchise License Commission to discuss the Bullhead City recycling program.

City Manager Cotter said the world had changed dramatically as it related to recycling. He said at their last work session, a \$10 per month optional recycling program was discussed. He said since that time other changes had taken place, and said they looked at other options including a stop gap measure and re-bidding the entire contract. He said he asked Republic Services for their best offer to the city to extend their contract and keep the rates low. He said China was not accepting recyclables at this time. He said Republic Services recommended the option of eliminating recycling with two carts per household and a once a week pick up. He said if two drop off recycling locations were added, it would increase each household billing an additional 70 cents per month. He said Republic Services offered a savings of \$1.15 per month if the city took over the billing in the future or a rate of \$13.80. He said the current rate would decrease now from \$15.54 to \$14.95 per month without any recycling option.

Matt Kross, General Manager of Republic Services, said recycling was getting more expensive because recycling commodities had very little value. He said it was discovered that most members of the community were not interested in paying an additional \$10 per month to recycle. He said the proposed program allowed them to pick up the entire city in four days, Monday through Thursday, in neighborhoods only one time per week; and a benefit would be fewer trucks on the streets. He said customers were paying for a recycling program but said almost nothing was being recycled

now. He said contamination was 60 percent or more, and said it was the world's problem, not just Bullhead City. He said they were trying to keep costs down and not increase service at this time.

Council Member Bruck asked if the current drop off locations were contaminated. Mr. Kross said even in the cleanest situations they were seeing more than 20 percent contamination. He said most recycling ends up in the Las Vegas landfill.

Council Member Bruck asked if the bulky pickup service would continue. Mr. Kross said the bulky pickup service would be available to households six times per year at no charge.

Mayor Brady asked if newspapers were still being recycled. Mr. Kross said it could still be recycled, but the time and effort did not pay for itself now.

Mayor Brady asked what happened to the plastic bags that had recyclables inside. Mr. Kross said the machines ripped the bags open and said the plastic bags were a killer to their machines.

Mayor Brady asked about the future of the recycling business. Mr. Kross said they did not know where recycling would go in three years or longer. He said the plan had to be different than the current plan which was not right.

Franchise License Commissioner Corbett said seniors on fixed incomes could not afford the \$10 increase but wanted to recycle. She asked if they could drop off their recycling at other locations.

Mr. Kross discussed the rate options. He said the future monthly rate could be \$13.80 if the city did the billing with no drop off locations; and \$14.50 with two drop off locations. He said the current rate of \$15.54 could be reduced to \$14.95 with no recycling options immediately following implementation.

Franchise License Commissioner Brummett asked what items would be accepted at the drop off locations. Mr. Kross said cardboard, aluminum, plastics, papers, but no glass would be accepted.

Franchise License Commissioner Brummett asked if more education about the proper way to recycle could be provided. She asked if more education was provided, would a trial period with the current recycling program be considered. Mr. Kross said recycling was expensive. He said the higher rate to recycle was not what the city wanted.

City Manager Cotter said currently the Council was not interested in raising rates. He said there was no willingness within the community to pay more for recycling.

Franchise License Commissioner Lipinski asked about the City Manager's recommendation. City Manager Cotter said the guidance from the City Council was that price and cost to the consumer were very important. He said it was obvious there was a major problem and the vendor could not sell the product. He said the three-year contract extension option seemed to be the most beneficial and cost effective option for the community. He said every community was struggling with this.

Franchise License Commissioner Lipinski said people thought they were recycling but said the product became contaminated and was not recycled. He said citizens should be told they were paying for something they were not getting.

Mr. Kross said the system was broken for many years and said it was a national problem. He said it was hard for people to understand the habit they had been following for many years was not happening now.

Franchise License Commissioner Lipinski said he supported the lower rate with no recycling options.

Tom Hixson said he had worked on this topic for more than a year now. He said Republic Services said they were experts in educating people about the proper way to recycle. He said a notice should have been inserted into the utility billings to help people understand the proper way to recycle years ago. He asked why this could not be done. He suggested the rate be \$17.99 and more educational materials be provided.

City Manager Cotter said he would be seeking additional guidance from the City Council in the near future.

**MOTION: Council Member Ring made a motion to adjourn the special meeting and convene into executive session at 4:31 p.m. Council Member Bruck seconded the motion.**

**VOTE:** AYES: Brady, Bruck, Clark, D'Amico, Ring, Shutts, Wegmann NAYS: None  
ABSENT: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

2. Discussion or consultation for legal advice concerning the requirements of and legal implications of an appeal under conditional use permit application U19-003. Arizona Revised Statutes § 38-431.03(A)(3).

**Council Member Clark recused himself from the meeting during the discussion on Executive Session Item No. 3.**

3. Discussion or consultation for legal advice concerning the actions necessary to carry out the acquisition of EPCOR Arizona's assets in and around Bullhead City. Arizona Revised Statutes § 38-431.03(A)(3).

**Council Member Clark returned to the meeting.**

**MOTION: Council Member Bruck made a motion to adjourn from executive session and the special meeting at 5:02 p.m. Council Member Ring seconded the motion.**

**VOTE:** AYES: Brady, Bruck, Clark, D'Amico, Shutts, Ring, Wegmann NAYS: None  
ABSENT: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Brady declared the special meeting adjourned at 5:02 p.m.

**CERTIFICATION**

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct record of the special meeting of the City Council of the City of Bullhead City held on the 17th day of March 2020. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

Dated this 5th day of May 2020.

*Daniel Ogden, Deputy City Clerk*  
for Susan Stein, MMC, CPM  
City Clerk

Upon notice duly given under Arizona Revised Statutes, Section 38-431, et seq., as amended, the City Council of the City of Bullhead City held a regularly scheduled meeting on Tuesday, March 17, 2020, in the City Council Chambers, 1255 Marina Boulevard, Bullhead City, Arizona.

**CALL TO ORDER, INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Brady called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. and invited Pastor Roy Hagemyer of The Way Christian Church to deliver the invocation. Mayor Brady led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

**ROLL CALL**

Council Present

Brady, Bruck, Clark, D'Amico (via telephone), Ring, Shutts (via telephone), Wegmann (via telephone)

Council Absent

None

Staff Present:

CITY MANAGER: Toby Cotter  
CITY ATTORNEY: Garnet Emery (via telephone)  
CITY CLERK: Susan Stein  
POLICE CHIEF: Brian Williamson (via telephone)  
POLICE CAPTAIN: Dennis DeSantis  
FINANCE DIRECTOR: Rudy Vera (via telephone)  
INTERIM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR: Angie Johnson (via telephone)  
HUMAN SERVICES DIRECTOR: Jeff Tipton (via telephone)  
DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DIRECTOR: Glen Wiltse (via telephone)  
PLANNING MANAGER: Johnny Loera (via telephone)

**PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS**

None

**OPEN CALL TO THE PUBLIC**

Mayor Brady opened the call to the public.

Eva Corbett said "Happy St. Patrick's Day."

Royanne Ortiz said there are no COVID tests available. She said she was concerned about closing the schools and said parents needed assistance.

Jim Bradley thanked the city for passing the second amendment sanctuary city resolution. He distributed information on the Gun Owners of America second amendment sanctuary ordinance. He asked that citizens be allowed to carry guns in all public buildings.

Scotty McClure said everyone in attendance should have had their temperature taken before entering the meeting. He said the people buying all of the toilet paper were greedy. He said he hoped that martial law would not be imposed.

Julie Hassett said Colorado River Concerts postponed their last concert until April 7th. She read an Irish blessing.

Billy Pershing said people could have the virus and show no signs of illness.

Having no one else present wishing to speak, Mayor Brady closed the call to the public.

### **AGENDA MODIFICATIONS**

**MOTION:** Council Member Clark made a motion to move Agenda Item No. 5 for discussion after the Consent Agenda. Council Member Bruck seconded the motion.

**VOTE:** AYES: Brady, Bruck, Clark, D'Amico, Ring, Shutts (inaudible), Wegmann  
NAYS: None ABSENT: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

### **WAIVER MOTION**

**MOTION:** Council Member Bruck made a motion to waive the reading in full of all ordinances and resolutions presented for adoption at this meeting. Council Member Ring seconded the motion.

**VOTE:** AYES: Brady, Bruck, Clark, D'Amico, Ring, Shutts (inaudible), Wegmann  
NAYS: None ABSENT: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

### **MANAGER'S REPORT**

#### 1. Census 2020

City Manager Cotter said the census was taking place at the worst time. He said counting people was not on their minds right now. He encouraged the public to fill out the census form, and said the census date might be extended.

#### 2. Caddisfly Update

City Manager Cotter said a community forum to update the public on caddisfly abatement was held on March 4th. He said 45 residents, four of the five Bullhead City Pest Abatement District Board Members, and Human Services Director Tipton attended. He said Pest Abatement Manager Michael Cavallaro discussed caddisfly biology, ecology, life history strategies, impacts of large dams, unique challenges below the Davis Dam; and provided information on current projects, insect trapping, and community based strategies. He said a question and answer period followed. He said a community mosquito forum would be held in late May or early June.

### 3. COVID-19 Coronavirus Update

City Manager Cotter said the city would declare a state of emergency later this evening in order to ask for help from the state and federal government. He discussed numerous closures to the public and alternative methods of city operations. He said staff could not be in groups to keep them healthy and were participating on the telephone. He said the city was doing everything they could to keep the public safe from the virus and said they were recommending the practice of social distancing. He said the Governor of Nevada would order the closure of all casinos tonight. He said there were resources for people to get food, and encouraged donations to the River Fund and United Way. He said they would continue to update the public through social media.

### 4. Corwin Intersection Project

City Manager Cotter said the traffic signal would be activated on May 31st and the permanent road striping would follow.

### 5. Parkway Extension Project for New Bridge

City Manager Cotter said the roadway and infrastructure project started earlier this month. He said the bridge should be bid out by early summer.

Vice Mayor Wegmann asked if there would be a deadline extension for the census.

City Manager Cotter said local government was not equipped at this time to conduct the census. He said they needed relief from the federal government.

Vice Mayor Wegmann asked why the water level of the river was low.

City Manager Cotter said they were working with other organizations and said it was a power delivery issue. He said he would report on this at a future meeting.

### **MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS' REPORTS ON CURRENT EVENTS**

None

### **ITEMS WITHDRAWN FROM CONSENT AGENDA**

None

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

**MOTION:** Council Member Clark made a motion that Items No. 1 and 2 on the Consent Agenda be approved in accordance with the reports, certifications and recommendations furnished each Council Member and without further discussion. Council Member Ring seconded the motion.

**VOTE:** AYES: Brady, Bruck, Clark, D'Amico, Ring, Shutts, Wegmann NAYS: None  
ABSENT: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

Items on the Consent Agenda were approved as follows:

1. Approval of the Minutes of the Special Council Meeting held on March 3, 2020; and the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on March 3, 2020. (City Clerk Stein)
2. Acceptance of the dedication of right-of-way for the alley in Block 16 of the Bullhead City Unit 4 subdivision (a 25-foot portion between 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> streets to provide ingress/egress from Long Avenue). (Interim Public Works Director Johnson)

#### **PUBLIC HEARINGS ON ITEMS PULLED FROM CONSENT AGENDA**

None

#### **BOARD/COMMISSION/COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS**

3. Discussion and possible action to appoint a citizen to serve on the Bullhead Area Transit System Commission to fill a partial term effective immediately upon Council approval and expiring on September 30, 2021. (City Clerk Stein)

City Clerk Stein said the three vacancies on the Commission were advertised to the public and one application was received from Grace Hecht.

Grace Hecht said she enjoyed serving on the Census Committee and was excited to serve on the BATS Commission.

**MOTION:** Council Member Bruck made a motion to appoint Grace Hecht to serve on the Bullhead Area Transit System Commission to fill a partial term effective immediately upon Council approval and expiring on September 30, 2021. Vice Mayor Wegmann seconded the motion.

**VOTE:** AYES: Brady, Bruck, Clark, D'Amico (inaudible), Shutts, Wegmann NAYS: Ring  
ABSENT: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

#### **PUBLIC HEARINGS ON LIQUOR LICENSE APPLICATIONS**

4. **PUBLIC HEARING.** Discussion and possible action to make a recommendation to the Arizona Department of Liquor Licenses and Control to approve the application for a new Series 12 Liquor License No. 97910 submitted by Juanita Alicia Esparza for the Bonito Guadalajara Restaurant located at 1778 Highway 95 in Bullhead City. (City Clerk Stein)

City Manager Cotter said staff reviewed the application and had no objections.

Mayor Brady opened the public hearing. Having no one present wishing to speak, Mayor Brady closed the public hearing.



**MOTION:** Council Member Ring made a motion to make a recommendation to the Arizona Department of Liquor Licenses and Control to approve the application for a new Series 12 Liquor License No. 97910 submitted by Juanita Alicia Esparza for the Bonito Guadalajara Restaurant located at 1778 Highway 95 in Bullhead City. Council Member Bruck seconded the motion.

**VOTE:** AYES: Brady, Bruck, Clark, D’Amico, Ring, Shutts, Wegmann NAYS: None  
ABSENT: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

**ACTION ITEMS**

**Building, Planning and Zoning Items**

5. **PUBLIC HEARING.** Rivyve Behavioral Health Facility Conditional Use Permit U19-003. The City Council has full discretion to affirm the denial, grant the conditional permit, or take other action consistent with City Code authority. (Development Services Director Wiltse)

City Manager Cotter said the Council toured the facility and discussed the proposed CUP in a work session on March 3rd. He said policy direction was received from the Council Members and input was received from the public.

City Manager Cotter said a number of further considerations were noted by staff and have the apparent concurrence of the applicant. He said the considerations included: limiting the total number of beds to 90; a permit term concurrent with the applicant’s lease term of six years; the addition of screening on the south and west exterior sides of the facility; further noise and activity buffering between detox patients and those attending the residential program; on-site security; and visiting hours.

Kristen Ott, CEO for Rivyve Behavioral Health, said they purposely reached out to their supporters to not attend this meeting as public safety was their number one priority. She said the majority of individuals in this county had to leave the county for substance abuse treatment due to the lack of beds in the community. She said having a behavioral health residential facility offering detox, residential, and outpatient services would provide a full spectrum of care and bring value to the community. She said it would also bring jobs and economic development to the area. She said they wanted to partner with organizations for the betterment of the community. She said they had a successful track record of providing behavioral services. She said they requested the CUP start as of August 1, 2020, with a maturity date of August 1, 2026.

Council Member Clark asked about the time frame for the lease. Ms. Ott said the lease went through December 31, 2026. City Manager Cotter said the end date in the CUP stated July 31, 2026. Ms. Ott said they could accommodate the July 31st date.

Vice Mayor Wegmann asked when the detox beds would be available. Ms. Ott said the process would take up to three or four months.

Council Member Ring asked if any sober living facilities would be developed. Ms. Ott said their plan was to continue to assess the community's needs and said if a need was determined, they would come back and ask for additional sober living facilities.

Mayor Brady opened the public hearing.

Scotty McClure said the community needed this facility and spoke in support.

Gerald Ross said he was concerned that the city's drug problem could not be handled by this facility.

Dan Oehler said his firm owned the adjoining properties to the proposed project. He said they had a financial interest in this project, just as the applicant did. He said their investment in the area was significantly greater than the applicant's, and said their interest in this community had been proven to be significantly higher, more sincere, and more historical. He said he hoped this was not a "done deal," according to a recent newspaper article. He distributed photos and information to the Council Members (Exhibit 1). He said the Council was responsible to insure the use of the property would not be detrimental to the public's health. He asked that, if approved, the size of the facility be greatly reduced as well as the term of the CUP.

Larry Tunforss spoke in support of the facility, and said the 200,000 residents of Mohave County were in need of additional substance abuse locations. He said the existing 10-bed facility at Marina Point experienced no neighborhood issues since it opened five years ago. He said their worries were unsubstantiated.

Mike Ward of Creative Care provided a history of the Lingenfelter family, and spoke in support of Ms. Ott and the proposed facility.

Heidi Borad said she was a first grade teacher. She spoke in support of the facility as family substance abuse problems affected children now and later in their adult life.

Grace Hecht spoke in support of Kristen Ott and her efforts to bring the facility to the community.

Having no one else present wishing to speak, Mayor Brady closed the public hearing.

City Manager Cotter said they were working within the parameters of the codes and the advice from their legal counsel.

Council Member D'Amico asked if the CUP could be revoked if the applicant was not following the conditions.

City Attorney Emery said if the CUP was violated in any form, the city could bring an action to have it reconsidered or put additional restrictions on it.

**MOTION:** Vice Mayor Wegmann made a motion to approve the Rivyve Behavioral Health Facility Conditional Use Permit U19-003. Council Member Shutts seconded the motion.

**VOTE:** AYES: Brady, Bruck, Clark, D'Amico, Shutts, Wegmann NAYS: Ring  
ABSENT: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

6. Discussion and possible action to approve: 1) the Final Plat for Belle Air Heights, Tract 5017, Unit 1; 2) the Primary Financial Assurance through the Property Escrow Agreement along with additional assurance through a bond; 3) the water allocation in the amount of 5.04 acre-feet; and 4) authorizing the Mayor to execute the agreement on behalf of the city. (Development Services Director Wiltse)

**Council Member Clark recused himself from discussion on Agenda Item No. 6 due to a conflict of interest and left the dais.**

City Manager Cotter said this was the first phase of a new subdivision with 4.97 acres to be subdivided into 15 lots for single family development and two tracts for public utility and drainage easements.

Mayor Brady asked if anyone from the public wanted to speak.

Eva Corbett asked about the purchaser of property.

Council Member Clark said this was an infill project at Talon Point. He said the owners were Mexican nationals from Mexico City. He said the home sizes would range from 1,750 to 2,400 square feet with two and three car garages.

**MOTION:** Council Member Ring made a motion to approve: 1) the Final Plat for Belle Air Heights, Tract 5017, Unit 1; 2) the Primary Financial Assurance through the Property Escrow Agreement along with additional assurance through a bond; 3) the water allocation in the amount of 5.04 acre-feet; and 4) authorizing the Mayor to execute the agreement on behalf of the city. Council Member Bruck seconded the motion.

**VOTE:** AYES: Brady, Bruck, D'Amico, Ring, Shutts, Wegmann NAYS: None  
ABSENT: None Abstain: Clark

**MOTION CARRIED**

**Council Member Clark returned to the dais.**

7. Discussion and possible action to approve the Preliminary Condominium Plat for a project known as City Square Unit 2, Tract 5097, for a parcel of land that is described as Parcel 2 of the amended parcel plat for Bullhead Square, Section 23, T20N, R22W, Bullhead City, Arizona. (Development Services Director Wiltse)

City Manager Cotter said approval of this plat would allow for redevelopment of the former K-Mart building. He said new climate controlled indoor storage would re-purpose most of the building, and said there would be add-ons for retail space.

Mayor Brady asked if anyone from the public wanted to speak. No one from the public spoke.

**MOTION:** Council Member Bruck made a motion to approve the Preliminary Condominium Plat for a project known as City Square Unit 2, Tract 5097, for a parcel of land that is described as Parcel 2 of the amended parcel plat for Bullhead Square, Section 23, T20N, R22W, Bullhead City, Arizona. Vice Mayor Wegmann seconded the motion.

**VOTE:** AYES: Brady, Bruck, Clark, D’Amico, Ring, Shutts, Wegmann NAYS: None  
ABSENT: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

**Bid Awards, Contracts, Intergovernmental Agreement, and Purchases**

None

**Other Business**

8. Discussion and possible action to approve Resolution No. 2020R-14 supporting the proposed Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Wild Burro Management Plan in and near the Black Mountain Herd Management Area. (City Manager Cotter)

City Manager Cotter said the city had been dealing with the burro problem for many years. He said the estimated wild burro population in the Black Mountain Herd Management Area was estimated to be nearly four times greater than the target population of 478 which impacted the landscape, health, and wildlife. He said an environmental assessment and public opinion process was available on the BLM’s project website page. He said this resolution would support the reduction of the burro herd in the Black Mountains through adoptions, fertility control, and gatherings.

Mayor Brady asked if anyone from the public wanted to speak. No one from the public spoke.

**MOTION:** Council Member Bruck made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2020R-14 supporting the proposed Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Wild Burro Management Plan in and near the Black Mountain Herd Management Area. Council Member Ring seconded the motion.

**VOTE:** AYES: Brady, Bruck, Clark, D’Amico, Ring, Shutts, Wegmann NAYS: None  
ABSENT: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

9. Discussion and possible action regarding placing “In God We Trust” signage in city facilities. (City Manager Cotter)

**MOTION:** Council Member Bruck made a motion to table Agenda Item No. 9 for discussion at a future Council Meeting. Vice Mayor Wegmann seconded the motion.

**VOTE:** AYES: Brady, Bruck, Clark, D'Amico, Ring, Shutts, Wegmann NAYS: None  
ABSENT: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

10. Discussion and possible action to approve the mid-year budget adjustment of \$237,688 from General Fund Contingency and Court Department to funds and departments as outlined in the summary. (Finance Director Vera)

City Manager Cotter said the budget adjustment was a transfer of \$71,021 from the HURF account to the General Fund to build a shooting range that the Police Department would use. He said the city received a sizeable federal grant to fund the Veterans' Court, and said the budget transfer would reflect funds coming out of that grant.

Mayor Brady asked if anyone from the public wanted to speak. No one from the public spoke.

**MOTION:** Vice Mayor Wegmann made a motion to approve the mid-year budget adjustment of \$237,688 from General Fund Contingency and Court Department to funds and departments as outlined in the summary. Council Member Clark seconded the motion.

**VOTE:** AYES: Brady, Bruck, Clark, D'Amico, Ring, Shutts, Wegmann NAYS: None  
ABSENT: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

11. Discussion and possible action to adopt Resolution No. 2020R-15 declaring an emergency and order to combat COVID-19. (City Manager Cotter)

City Manager Cotter said the coronavirus could have a significant impact on the community. He said 8,000 people would not be working for the next 30 days at the casinos and other businesses, children were not in school, and there were widespread shortages of needed items. He said this was the time for government to pull together and help protect its citizens. He said declaring an emergency would assist the city in asking the state and federal government for help with finances and resources. He said this was a process with the involvement of FEMA.

Mayor Brady asked if anyone from the public wanted to speak.

Royanne Ortiz asked what increased authority would be granted to the city.

City Manager Cotter said for example; they could issue a curfew, apply for a grant, or obtain baby formula out of the normal processes. He said every decision made would be made available to the public. He said they would not sit back and do nothing.

Steven Lee said there were tough choices to make, and said he hoped things could be kept local rather than through FEMA. He said Bullhead City had an at-risk population and said protections should be made available for those at-risk rather than shutting down the entire economy.

Gary Genovese said Chili's was doing a great job in making a significant impact on the prevention of the virus spread.

Eva Corbett asked if the parks would be shut down. She said she was against the resolution.

Mayor Brady said the parks would not be shut down unless doing so would be in the best interest of the health of the community. He said the city had no intention of shutting down any business, but said the decision could come from a higher authority.

Scotty McClure spoke in support of the passage of the resolution.

Billy Pershing said he was in support of the resolution. He said he had trust in the City Council to do the right thing and said it would give the city the ability to take action.

Council Member Ring said this was a serious situation.

**MOTION: Council Member Ring made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2020R-15 declaring an emergency and order to combat COVID-19. Council Member Bruck seconded the motion.**

**VOTE:** AYES: Brady, Bruck, Clark, D'Amico, Ring, Shutts, Wegmann NAYS: None  
ABSENT: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

12. Discussion and possible action to cancel two regularly scheduled City Council meetings to be held on Tuesday, April 7, 2020; and Tuesday, April 21, 2020. (City Manager Cotter)

City Manager Cotter said staff has recommended the City Council consider canceling the two regularly scheduled meetings in April according to the CDC's guidance that large events and mass gatherings of more than 10 people be canceled.

Mayor Brady asked if anyone from the public wanted to speak.

Eva Corbett asked if commission meetings would be cancelled in April.

City Manager Cotter said Council action was not required to cancel commission meetings and said the staff liaisons would be in contact with members regarding cancellations.

Steven Lee suggested holding telephonic meetings.

City Manager Cotter said the upcoming items in April could be held off and addressed in May. He said the City Council could hold special meetings at any time and/or for emergency purposes. He said all meetings would be properly posted and made available for public viewing.

City Attorney Emery said there was no provision in the law to hold any meeting without notification to the public.

**MOTION:** Council Member Bruck made a motion to cancel two regularly scheduled City Council meetings to be held on Tuesday, April 7, 2020; and Tuesday, April 21, 2020. Council Member Ring seconded the motion.

**VOTE:** AYES: Brady, Bruck, Clark, D'Amico, Ring, Shutts (inaudible), Wegmann  
NAYS: None ABSENT: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

**COUNCIL REQUESTED ITEMS**

None

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Council, the Mayor declared the meeting adjourned at 7:43 p.m.

**CERTIFICATION**

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct record of the regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Bullhead City held on the 17th day of March 2020. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

Dated this 5th day of May 2020.

*Susan Stein*  
Susan Stein, MMC, CPM  
City Clerk