VIRTUAL PUBLIC MEETING

City of Marathon Meeting- May 12, 2020

Statement of the Mayor

Pursuant to Executive Order No. 20-69, issued by the Office of Governor Ron Desantis on March 20, 2020, municipalities may conduct meetings of their governing boards without having a quorum of its members present physically or at any specific location, and utilizing communications media technology such as telephonic or video conferencing, as provided by Section 120.54(5)(b)2, Florida Statutes. Procedures for the public comment will be explained by the City Attorney shortly, and may be adopted by the Council for all virtual meetings in the future. The members of the City Council appearing remotely for this meeting are *Mayor*, *Steve Cook*, *Vice Mayor*, *Luis Gonzalez*, *Councilmembers John Bartus*, *Mark Senmartin*, and Dr. Daniel Zieg.

The Pledge of Allegiance will be led by______ [Pledge is said and then]

Mr. Smits, please state the procedures to be followed during this meeting.

[remainder read By the City Attorney]

• The material for each item on the agenda is available during business hours at the city clerk's office and on-line, 24 hours a day at <u>www.ci.marathon.fl.us</u>.

• Any person who wishes to make public comment during this meeting may be heard by the City Council, through the Mayor for not more than three minutes, on any proposition before the City Council, unless modified by the Mayor. Since this is a virtual meeting as authorized by the Governor the State of Florida, members of the public wishing to address the body may do so by calling (305) 289-4130, or emailing <u>cityofmarathon@ci.marathon.fl.us</u> with your name, address, and agenda number of the item(s) you wish to comment on, along with a phone number where you can reached after 4PM on May 12, 2020. Any member of the public wishing to comment on items not on the agenda may make their comment known to the Council by emailing <u>council@ci.marathon.fl.us</u>, or submitting the comment to the drop box maintained at City Hall no later than four (4) hours prior to the meeting. All comments submitted will be included as part of the public record for this virtual meeting and will be considered by the City Council prior to any action taken.

• When addressing the City Council, the member of the public must first state his or her name, his or her address, and what item will be spoken about.

• Anyone wishing to appeal any decision made by the City Council for any matter considered at this meeting may need a verbatim record of the item. A video of this meeting may be requested after the meeting by emailing cityofmarathon@ci.marathon.fl.us, and may be viewed live at https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCFimq7DjLHNolPgqbKTaftQ/live.

• Please silence all cell phones and other noise-making devices.

• Any person with a disability requiring assistance, auxiliary aids, and services for this meeting may notify the City Clerk.

• Please note Council Members have generally been briefed by city staff and the city attorney on items on the agenda today.

Access and Public Comment Accommodations Access to the Meeting

The City of Marathon is using Zoom to hold the May 12, 2020 Virtual Special City Council meeting. Zoom is a cloud platform for video and audio conferencing, collaboration, chat, and webinars across mobile devices, desktops, telephones, and room systems. In order to ensure that the public has the ability to view the meeting, the City will broadcast the meeting. The meeting can be viewed live by visiting <u>https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCFimq7DjLHNolPgqbKTaftQ/live</u>. Additionally, the City has not selected a virtual platform that requires the public to purchase or download any additional software or equipment to watch this meeting. Aside from the Zoom platform and that the participants will be appearing remotely, the public will have no discernible difference in their ability to watch the meeting.

Council Members, are you comfortable with all the notice provisions set forth and these uniform rules of procedures we have established for this Virtual meeting? *Await response in the affirmative... then say* **Thank you.**