

## Minutes of the Independence City Commission's April 2, 2020 Special Meeting

The Independence City Commission met for a special meeting on April 2, 2020 at 9:00 A.M. at the Civic Center of the Memorial Hall. Mayor Leonhard Caflisch, Commissioner Louis Ysusi and Commissioner Dean Hayse were present. Others present included:

### City Staff

Kelly Passauer, Assistant City Manager/Zoning Administrator  
David Schwenker, City Clerk/City Treasurer  
David Cowan, Director of Safety/ADA Coordinator  
Brian McHugh, Memorial Hall Supervisor  
Barry Beurskens, Memorial Hall Maintenance  
Lacey Lies, Director of Finance by phone

### Visitors

Larry McHugh  
Chuck Goad by phone  
Trisha Purdon by phone

#### I. SPECIAL SESSION

Mayor Caflisch called the meeting to order.

#### II. ITEMS FOR COMMISSION ACTION

- A. Consider authorizing an emergency grant program as recommended by the Economic Development Advisory Board.

In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the City's Economic Development and Advisory Board recommends funding an Emergency Grant Program which would provide a \$5,000 grant to certain hospitality and small retail businesses that have been negatively impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic.

#### Eligible Businesses:

- Hospitality Industry (excluding hotel/motel)
  - o Defined as restaurant and retail (businesses that sell goods/products that are subject to sales tax)
- Located within the City limits with a permanent address (brick and mortar business location excluding home businesses)
- Owner/Franchisee must live within Montgomery County
- Must hold a current City business license
- Must have been open and operating at the time of the COVID-19 pandemic
- Must reopen within 60 days after the Governor rescinds the Executive Order(s) restricting residents and businesses due to the COVID-19 Pandemic
- Must have been negatively impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic

#### **Motion:**

**On the motion of Commissioner Hayse, seconded by Commissioner Ysusi the**

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**Commission approved the Emergency Grant Program as outlined and amended.**

**Aye: Ysusi, Caflisch, Hayse**

**Nay: None**

**III. ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion:**

**On the motion of Mayor Caflisch, seconded by Commissioner Ysusi the Commission adjourned the meeting.**

**Aye: Ysusi, Caflisch, Hayse**

**Nay: None**

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Leonhard Caflisch, Mayor

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Louis Ysusi, Commissioner

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Dean Hayse, Commissioner

Attest:

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City Clerk/Treasurer