



# City of Denton

City Hall  
215 E. McKinney St.  
Denton, Texas 76201  
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## Meeting Agenda

### City Council

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**Tuesday, April 7, 2020**

**4:00 PM**

**Work Session Room**

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#### **EMERGENCY MEETING**

Pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 551, V.T.C.A., Government Code, notice is hereby given of an Emergency Special Meeting of the Mayor and City Council of the City of Denton, Texas to be held in the Council Work Session Room at City Hall, 215 E. McKinney Street, Denton, Texas on April 7, 2020, at 4:00 p.m.

After determining that a quorum is present, the City Council of the City of Denton, Texas will convene in an Emergency Special Meeting on Tuesday, April 7, 2020, at 4:00 p.m. in the Council Work Session Room at City Hall, 215 E. McKinney Street, Denton, Texas at which the following item(s) will be considered:

Note: Mayor Chris Watts, Mayor Pro Tem Gerard Hudspeth, and Council Members Keely Briggs, Jesse Davis, John Ryan, Deb Armintor and Paul Meltzer will be participating in the emergency special meeting via video/teleconference.

#### **REGISTRATION GUIDELINES FOR ADDRESSING THE CITY COUNCIL**

Due to COVID-19 precautions, members of the public will not be able to attend the Tuesday, April 7, City Council emergency meeting in-person. To accommodate and receive input on agenda items, citizens will be able to participate in one of the following ways (NOTE: Other than public hearings, citizens are only able to comment one time per agenda item; citizens cannot use both methods to comment on a single agenda item):

- Virtual “White Card” – On Tuesday, April 7, at least one hour before the meeting start time, the agenda was posted online at [www.cityofdenton.com/publicmeetings](http://www.cityofdenton.com/publicmeetings). Once the agenda is posted, a link to the Virtual White Card, an online form, will be made available under the main heading on the webpage. Within this form, citizens may indicate support or opposition, and submit a brief comment about a specific agenda item. Similar to when a citizen submits a physical white card to indicate their position on the item, these comment forms will be sent directly to City Council members and recorded by the City Secretary. The Mayor will announce the number of Comment Cards submitted in support or opposition to an item during the public comment period. Comments may be submitted up until the start of the meeting, which begins at 4:00 p.m. Online comments received after 4:00 p.m. will not be delivered to the City Council nor entered into the public record.

OR

- BY PHONE – Citizens wishing to speak to the Council on an agenda item over the phone, may call (940) 349-7800 up to 30 minutes prior to the meeting, which begins at 4:00 p.m. When the call is initially received, a staff member will receive the caller’s information and either: 1) offer to call the citizen back when it is time for them to speak on their requested item, or 2) record the caller’s information, support or opposition, and comment. If the caller chooses to record their support or opposition, rather than speaking during the meeting, the Mayor will announce the number of comments submitted in support or opposition to the item. If the caller wishes to receive a call back, the voice of each caller will be broadcast into the meeting during the public commenting time of their desired agenda item. Individuals will be able to comment once per agenda item, no matter the method.

NOTE: The City Council reserves the right to adjourn into a Closed Meeting on any item on its Open Meeting agenda consistent with Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code, as amended, or as otherwise allowed by law.

**NOTE: Any item for which a formal action at the Special Called/Emergency Meeting has been taken by Council may be subject to a request for a motion for reconsideration at any time during the meeting, at the Concluding Items Section, or after the meeting. In order to comply with the Texas Open Meetings Act, a request for a motion for reconsideration made during, at the end of, or after a Council meeting will be placed on the agenda and considered at the next official meeting of the City Council.**

## **1. ITEM(S) FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION**

- A. [ID 20-833](#) Consider a resolution of the Council of the City of Denton expressing appreciation to Governor Greg Abbott and the Texas Supreme Court for actions taken to protect and support the citizens of the State of Texas during the COVID-19 public health emergency; respectfully requesting additional measures to benefit citizens of the State of Texas; requesting the Governor call a special session of the Texas Legislature to consider suspending eviction proceedings and other remedies in certain conditions; urging landlords and lenders to identify solutions; and providing for an effective date.

Attachments:      [Exhibit 1 - Agenda Information Sheet.pdf](#)  
                              [Exhibit 2 - Resolution](#)

C E R T I F I C A T E

I certify that the above notice of Emergency Meeting held under TOMA Section 551.045 was posted on the bulletin board at the City Hall of the City of Denton, Texas, as well as the City website and provided to the news media outlets on the 7th day of April, 2020 at 2:39 p.m.

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CITY SECRETARY

NOTE: THE CITY OF DENTON'S DESIGNATED PUBLIC MEETING FACILITIES ARE ACCESSIBLE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT. THE CITY WILL PROVIDE ACCOMMODATION, SUCH AS SIGN LANGUAGE INTERPRETERS FOR THE HEARING IMPAIRED, IF REQUESTED AT LEAST 48 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF THE SCHEDULED MEETING. PLEASE CALL THE CITY SECRETARY'S OFFICE AT 940-349-8309 OR USE TELECOMMUNICATIONS DEVICES FOR THE DEAF (TDD) BY CALLING 1-800-RELAY-TX SO THAT REASONABLE ACCOMMODATION CAN BE ARRANGED.