

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING  
OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE  
CITY OF NORTH RICHLAND HILLS, TEXAS  
HELD IN THE CITY HALL 4301 CITY POINT DRIVE  
MAY 26, 2020**

**A. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Trevino stated in accordance with the Texas Governor's March 13, 2020 Disaster Declaration and subsequent suspension of certain Texas Open Meetings Act Provisions, this May 26, 2020 meeting of the North Richland Hills City Council is hereby called to order at 6:00 p.m.

Mayor Trevino stated that tonight's meeting will be conducted using Webex video conference in order to observe physical distancing to mitigate the spread of COVID-19.

Mayor Trevino conducted a roll call of City Council members to confirm the presence of a quorum.

Present via video conference:

Oscar Trevino, Mayor  
Scott Turnage, Mayor Pro Tem  
Tito Rodriguez, Deputy Mayor Pro Tem  
Rita Wright Oujesky, Place 2  
Suzy Compton, Place 3  
Mason Orr, Associate Mayor Pro Tem  
Mike Benton, Place 5

Absent:

Tim Welch, Place 7

Staff present via video conference:

Mark Hindman, City Manager  
Alicia Richardson, City Secretary  
Maleshia B. McGinnis, City Attorney

**A.1 INVOCATION**

Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Rodriguez gave the invocation.

**A.2 PLEDGE**

Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Rodriguez led the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States and

Texas flags.

### **A.3 CITIZENS PRESENTATION**

There were no requests to speak from the public.

### **A.4 PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no requests to speak from the public.

## **B. GENERAL ITEMS**

### **B.1 CONSIDER INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH TARRANT COUNTY FOR CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19) RELIEF FUND ALLOCATION.**

#### **APPROVED**

City Manager Mark Hindman informed City Council that President Trump, on March 27, 2020, signed into law the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act) that provides funding for state, local and tribal governments in the form of reimbursement for certain eligible expenses incurred in response to the COVID-19 public health emergency and related impact. The CARES Act established the Coronavirus Relief Fund and appropriated \$150 billion to the Fund nationwide. Cities and counties with a population greater than 500,000 were direct recipients of monies from the Fund and remaining funding was provided to the State of Texas. The State of Texas has allocated funding to cities and counties below a population of 500,000 at a level of \$55.00 per capita. For counties with a population below 500,000, the allocation will go to each city based on its population and the county will receive the per capita share for all residents living in the unincorporated section of the county. Since North Richland Hills is located in a county with a population greater than 500,000 we must look to Tarrant County for allocation of the funds. Tarrant County has determined that they will reallocate a portion of their funding to all Tarrant County cities based on the same \$55.00 per capita allocation the State of Texas is using for cities located in counties with populations less than 500,000. The item for City Council's consideration this evening is to approve an interlocal agreement with Tarrant County establishing the terms, processes and conditions for receiving and expending these funds in the required order set up by the federal government.

Mr. Hindman commented that the funding equates to a little over \$3.7 million to be allocated toward expenses incurred by the City in response to COVID-19. The funding will also allow the City to provide assistance to the community.

**A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCIL MEMBER COMPTON, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER WRIGHT OUJESKY TO APPROVE THE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH TARRANT COUNTY FOR THE ALLOCATION OF FUNDING FROM THE CORONAVIRUS RELIEF FUND.**

**MOTION TO APPROVE CARRIED 6-0.**

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**C. EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEMS - CITY COUNCIL MAY TAKE ACTION ON ANY ITEM DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION OR LISTED ON AGENDA.**

Mayor Trevino announced that City Council did not convene into Executive Session.

**D. ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Trevino adjourned the meeting at 6:19 p.m.

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Oscar Trevino, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Alicia Richardson, City Secretary