



Council

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Operations

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Planning

**Minutes  
Council Special Meeting  
Yvonne C. Butler Council Chambers, 700 Paris Avenue**

**July 29, 2020**

**Members Present:** Mayor Joe DeVito, Council Members Jerry Ashmore, Mary Beth Heyward, Darryl Owens and Kevin Phillips

**Staff Present:** Town Manager Van Willis, Planning Administrator Linda Bridges, Police Chief Alan Beach, Fire Chief Reece Bertholf and Municipal Clerk Brooke Plank-Buccola

As per Ordinance 2020-15. "Members of the public may submit written public comments to the Town Clerk [bplank-buccola@portroyal.org](mailto:bplank-buccola@portroyal.org) no later than one hour prior to any regular meeting, which shall be distributed to the members of the Governing Body at such meeting."

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor DeVito called the special meeting to order at 6:30pm.

**II. EMERGENCY ORDINANCE:**

**A. Ordinance 2020-21. An emergency ordinance reauthorizing the Town of Port Royal, South Carolina requirement of individuals to wear face coverings in certain circumstances in light of the COVID-19 pandemic; and matters related thereto; and severability**

Council Member Heyward made a motion to raise the age for mandatory facemask from 8 (eight) to 12 (twelve) years old. Council Member Ashmore seconded the motion. Mayor DeVito called for a roll call vote. Council Member Ashmore Aye. Council

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Member Heyward Aye. Council Member Owens Aye. Council Member Phillips Aye. Mayor DeVito Aye. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

Council Member Heyward made a motion to approve Ordinance 2020-21 with an expiration date of September 9, 2020. Council Member Ashmore seconded the motion. Mayor DeVito called for a roll call vote. Council Member Ashmore Aye. Council Member Heyward Aye. Council Member Owens Aye. Council Member Phillips Aye. Mayor DeVito Aye. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

**III. COUNCIL DISCUSSION:**

**A. Fall Concert Series**

The State is mandating that no event held at this time can be more than 250 attendees, must have sanitation stations, and all alcohol sales must cease at 11PM. The main concern is the safety of the attendees by having them wear masks, practice social distancing, and limiting attendance to about 250 attendees. Council feels that holding the concert series in August would rush things. Council has decided to cancel August's concert series and defer a decision for September.

**IV. ADJOURNMENT**

The special meeting adjourned at 6:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Brooke Plank-Buccola  
Municipal Clerk

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