

City of Greeley, Colorado
COUNCIL BRIEFING
 April 17, 2020

The Council Briefing began at 4:00 p.m. on Friday, April 17, 2020, via a remote Zoom Meeting between City Staff and the City Council. It was live-streamed on the City of Greeley's YouTube Channel.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Gates called the Zoom Meeting to Order.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Gates led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

3. ROLL CALL

Cheryl Aragon, Interim City Clerk, called the roll. Those virtually present were Mayor John Gates and Councilmembers Tommy Butler, Ed Clark, Michael Fitzsimmons, Dale Hall, Brett Payton, and Kristin Zasada.

4. COVID-19 (CORONAVIRUS) PANDEMIC UPDATE

Dan Frazen, Emergency Manager, provided an update on current cases and fatalities in Colorado and specifically Weld County. He also spoke of those hospitalized and on ventilators in Greeley hospitals, North Colorado Medical Center and University of Colorado Health.

He went on to state that additional cloth masks for essential City staff have been received and distributed, advised that the Homeless Shelter is now operating in the Island Grove Event Center with some individuals and staff being tested for the virus, check-ins continue to happen with assisted living facilities, and strategic stock pile ventilators are now being delivered to Greeley hospitals.

Relative to the alternative care facility, it now has a completion date of approximately April 26th.

Mr. Frazen advised that the Weld County Commissioners signed the Intergovernmental Agreement for the Personal Isolation Facility at Bonell, and work is being done and inspections scheduled.

He went on to speak of the President's press conference, the Colorado Governor's press conference, and shared that Weld County continues to see an increase in positive cases.

Councilmember Zasada inquired about the ventilators that are being ordered by the hospitals. She wanted to point out that these orders had been placed awhile back, not all of a sudden, and Mr. Frazen confirmed that.

Roy Otto, City Manager, reported that applications are coming in for the Greeley Area Recovery Fund dollars, and the task force will be approving and issuing grants next week. He noted that he will provide updates to Council as there are updates to provide.

In terms of private fundraising, Benjamin Snow, Economic Health and Housing Director, reported that he is in constant contact with the Chamber and quite a few commitments have come in that are not represented yet on the website.

Mayor Gates reported that the Thunderbirds will be conducting a fly over of Greeley on Saturday, April 18th between 1:05 p.m. and 1:30 p.m. in honor of frontline hospital workers and first responders.

Councilmember Hall reported that in terms of the business world, his April rents are being paid, but May will be a big concern.

The Council Briefing adjourned at 4:16 p.m.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Cheryl Aragon". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Cheryl" and last name "Aragon" clearly distinguishable.

Cheryl Aragon, Interim City Clerk