



## OFFICE OF THE CITY COUNCIL

# PUBLIC NOTICE

## FLINT CITY COUNCIL ELECTRONIC PUBLIC MEETING

On Friday, October 5, 2020, the Michigan Supreme Court (MSC) issued an order declaring that the Emergency Powers of Governor (EPG) Act as an unconstitutional delegation of legislative authority, which was the primary authority relied on by Governor Whitmer for her COVID-19 related executive orders. Subsequently, Governor Whitmer requested that the MSC clarify that their order does not go into effect until October 30, 2020. On Monday October 12, 2020, the Michigan Supreme Court rejected Governor Whitmer's request to delay the effect of its decision to strike down the EPG. On, Tuesday, October 13, 2020, Senate Bill 1108 passed, amending the Open Meetings Act to allow municipalities to hold electronic meetings. On Friday, October 16, 2020, Governor Whitmer signed into law Senate Bill 1108 amending the Open Meetings Act. Subsequently, on December 22, 2020 Public Act 267 of 1976 was amended through Senate Bill 1246 extending the electronic meetings with no reason through March 31, 2021. The act also allows that after March 31, 2021 electronic meetings may be held if a local state of emergency was declared. On March 23, 2020, the Flint City Council extended Mayor Neeley's declaration of emergency indefinitely due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Therefore, the following meeting will be held electronically:

## Flint City Council Meeting Monday, August 9, 2021, at 5:30 p.m.

The public and media may listen to the meeting online by live stream at <https://www.youtube.com/c/FlintCityCouncilMeetings> or through **Start Meeting Solution** by dialing (617) 944-8177. If unable to call in, please dial (206) 451-6011.

1. In order to speak during the **PUBLIC HEARING PERIOD** of the meeting by telephone, participants will also call (617) 944-8177 (if unable to call in, please dial (206) 451-6011):
  - a. All callers will be queued and muted until the Public Hearing portion of the agenda;
  - b. Public speakers will be unmuted in order and asked if they wish to address the City Council on ***THE SUBJECT OF THE PUBLIC HEARING SPECIFICALLY***;
  - c. Public speakers should state and spell their name for the record and will be allowed ten (10) minutes to speak during the public hearing;
  - d. The speaker will be returned to mute after the 10 minutes have expired.



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2. In order to speak during the **PUBLIC SPEAKING PERIOD** of the meeting by telephone, participants will also call **(617) 944-8177**. All callers will be queued and muted until the Public Speaking portion of the agenda;
- Public speakers will be unmuted in order and asked if they wish to address the City Council ***ON ANY SUBJECT***;
  - Public speakers should state and spell their name for the record and will be allowed three (3) minutes for public speaking;
  - The speaker will be returned to mute after the 3 minutes have expired;
  - After the telephonic public speakers are completed, emailed public comments will be read by the City Clerk. All emailed public comments will be timed for 3 minutes;
  - Per Rules Governing Meetings of the Council (Rule 7.1 VII), there will only be one speaking opportunity per speaker. Consequently, public participants who call in and speak during the public speaking period of the meeting **WILL NOT** have written comments as submitted read by the City Clerk.
2. The public may send public comments by email to [CouncilPublicComment@cityofflint.com](mailto:CouncilPublicComment@cityofflint.com) no later than 10 minutes prior to the meeting start time of 5:30 p.m.
3. Persons with disabilities may participate in the meeting by the above-mentioned means or by emailing a request for an accommodation to [CouncilPublicComment@cityofflint.com](mailto:CouncilPublicComment@cityofflint.com), with the subject line ***Request for Accommodation***, or by contacting the City Clerk at (810) 766-7418 to request accommodation - including but not limited to interpreters.

If there are any questions concerning this notice, please direct them to City Council office at (810) 766-7418.

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