

**City of Ada**  
**Minutes of the City Council Special Session**  
**May 18, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.**  
**City Hall**

- I. Call to Order
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Roll Call
- IV. Resolution 2020-05-02 **RESOLUTION URGING GOVERNOR WALZ TO ALLOW BUSINESSES IN THE CITY OF ADA TO REOPEN**
- V. Adjourn

**Meeting will be held by Zoom**

Mayor Hintz appearing by video conference at 405 W. Thorpe Ave. Ada  
Member Stene appearing by video conference at 306 6th Ave W Ada  
Member Krieger appearing by video conference at 208 6<sup>th</sup> Ave W Ada  
Member Opheim appearing by video conference at 503 Lily Lane  
Member Nelson appearing by video conference at 209 Jamison Dr. Ada  
Member Lewis appearing by video conference at 113 Main St. W Ada  
Member Mathsen appearing by video conference at 608 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave E Ada  
Member Roux appearing by video conference at 506 W. 6<sup>th</sup> St. Ada

State of Minnesota  
County of Norman  
City of Ada

**RESOLUTION 2020-05-02**

**RESOLUTION URGING GOVERNOR WALZ TO ALLOW BUSINESSES IN THE  
CITY OF ADA TO REOPEN**

**WHEREAS**, The Ada City Council is urging Governor Walz to allow businesses, including “non-critical” businesses, in the City of Ada to reopen;

**WHEREAS**, the “Stay at Home Order” was to be lifted on May 4<sup>th</sup> but now has been extended

**WHEREAS**, Norman County has had only 10 confirmed cases of COVID-19;

**WHEREAS**, the “Stay at Home Order” has caused undue hardship and financial loss to many small businesses, some whom will never recover from this catastrophe, as businesses continue to have financial strain due to health and business insurance, taxes, rent, utilities and other costs, with no source of revenue to cover those costs;

**WHEREAS**, all businesses can reasonably reopen as the “Stay at Home Order” is not a one size fits all solution. “Critical” businesses, such as hardware and grocery stores, are allowed to stay open but must successfully follow the guidelines handed down by the MN Department of Health and the CDC; our “Main Street” non-critical businesses are just as capable of following those same guidelines;

**WHEREAS**, we firmly believe that all of our businesses can reopen safely, and still provide adequate protection to our most vulnerable citizens;

**WHEREAS**, with the location of the City of Ada, many residents are commuting to other locations or resorting to online stores and spending their money and returning home; thereby, legally circumventing the intent of the Stay at Home Order, but at the expense of our local non-critical businesses.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** the Ada City Council respectfully requests that our non-critical businesses be allowed to reopen as soon as possible as we are concerned that some of these businesses may no longer be viable by the end of the extension.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that each business must prepare and post a Preparedness Plan on-site prior to reopening. The Plan must address the items contained in the MN Department of Health and CDC guidance.

The foregoing resolution was introduced by Council Member \_\_\_\_\_ and second by member \_\_\_\_\_ who moved it's adoption and a roll call vote on the acceptance was recorded by:

Ayes:

Nayes:

Absent:

Adopted by the Council this 18th day of May 2020.

EFFECTIVE DATE: May 18<sup>th</sup>, 2020.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor

ATTEST:

\_\_\_\_\_  
City Clerk-Treasurer