

**CITY OF LARAMIE
RESOLUTION 2021-07**

A RESOLUTION MODIFYING RESOLUTION 2020-24 SUSPENDING CITY OF LARAMIE, CITY COUNCIL CODE OF CONDUCT RULE 1 AND ARTICLE 2, CHAPTER 2, SECTION 10 REQUIRING ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS TO ATTEND COUNCIL MEETINGS AND WORKSESSIONS BY TELEPHONE OR WEB CONFERENCING WITH COMPENSATION DURING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC WITHOUT IT COUNTING TOWARDS THE ANNUAL FIVE MEETING ALLOWANCE AND DIRECTING ALL STAFF MEMBERS AND THE PUBLIC TO ATTEND COUNCIL MEETINGS AND WORKSESSIONS VIA TELEPHONE OR WEB CONFERENCING ONLY

Whereas, the City Council for the City of Laramie, Wyoming (“Council”) adopted Rules of Procedure and Code of Conduct of City Council (“Council Rules”); and,

Whereas, the Council Rules reflect current and best practices for conducting public business by Council; and,

Whereas, the World Health Organization (“WHO”) declared COVID-19 a worldwide pandemic on March 11, 2020; and,

Whereas, the Statewide Public Health Orders prohibit gatherings of 10 people or more; and,

Whereas, the City in an effort to protect the health of our community; elected officials, staff and residents have regularly attended meetings using telephone and web-conferencing to reduce exposure to COVID-19 and protect vulnerable members of the community; and,

Whereas, it is effective and productive to have all council members, staff, public and invited guests on one virtual platform for council meetings and work sessions.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF LARAMIE, WYOMING:

Section 1. All Council members, city staff, public and invited guests will only attend council meetings and work sessions via telephone or web conferencing.

Section 2. Council Rules, Rule 1 and Chapter 2, Section 10 are suspended to allow council members to attend council meetings by telephone or web conferencing with compensation without it counting toward the annual five meetings allowance.

Section 3. This shall be effective January 5, 2021 and continue until rescinded by Council or the end of the COVID-19 pandemic is declared.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED THIS 5th day of January 2021.

_____, Mayor and President
Laramie City Council

ATTEST _____
Nancy Bartholomew,
City Clerk