MINUTES OF THE ARAPAHOE COUNTY
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
TUESDAY, MARCH 17, 2020

At a public meeting of the Board of County Commissioners for Arapahoe County, State of Colorado, held at 5334 South Prince Street, Littleton, Colorado 80120 there were:

- Nancy Sharpe, Chair (Commissioner District 2) Present
- Bill Holen, Chair Pro Tem (Commissioner District 5) Absent and Excused
- Kathleen Conti (Commissioner District 1) Present
- Jeff Baker (Commissioner District 3) Present
- Nancy Jackson (Commissioner District 4) Present
- Ron Carl (County Attorney) Present
- Joan Lopez (Clerk to the Board) Absent and Excused
- Joleen Sanchez (Clerk to the Board Administrator) Present

when the following proceedings, among others, were had and done, to-wit:

CALL TO ORDER
Commissioner Sharpe called the meeting to order.

INTRODUCTIONS

ROLL CALL

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

MODIFICATION(S) TO THE AGENDA
There were no modifications to the agenda.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

The motion was made by Commissioner Baker and duly seconded by Commissioner Conti to adopt the Agenda as presented.

The motion passed unanimously.
CITIZEN COMMENT PERIOD
There were no citizen comments on this date.

COMMISSIONER ADVISEMENT
Commissioner Conti said, “Pursuant to Colorado Revised Statute Section 24-18-109(5), I hereby disclose that I serve on the Board of the directors for AllHealth Network”.

Commissioner Jackson said, “Pursuant to Colorado Revised Statute Section 24-18-109(5), I hereby disclose that I serve on the board of directors of Aurora Mental Health Center and on the board of directors of Rocky Mountain Crisis Partners”.

CEREMONIES
There were no ceremonies on this date.

CONSENT AGENDA
The motion was made by Commissioner Conti, duly seconded by Commissioner Jackson to approve the consent agenda as presented.

The motion passed 4-0, Commissioner Holen absent and excused.

GENERAL BUSINESS ITEMS

6.a. Resolution No. 200195 - Resolution to Ratify and Continue Declaration of Local Disaster Emergency
Ron Carl, County Attorney, explained the purpose of this resolution.

The following motion was made by Commissioner Jackson, duly seconded by Commissioner Baker: I move to adopt the resolution to ratify and continue the Declaration of Local Disaster Emergency signed by the Chair of the Board of County Commissioners and dated March 13, 2020.

The motion passed 4-0, Commissioner Holen absent and excused.

6.b. Resolution No. 200195 - WVR20-002 May Farms Farm Hand Dwelling Fee Waiver Request
Caitlyn Cahill, Zoning and Animal Control Manager, introduced the case and explained the request for a fee waiver. She said the total cost of the application is $461.00. She said historically, staff has not recommended approval of waivers, as it is minimal. She explained the alternatives.

Commissioner Jackson asked if this would be permanent housing.

Ms. Cahill stated that this would be temporary, during the summer. She explained that the amount of the fee was set years ago, and staff has not had time to perform an evaluation to adjust the fee. She further explained that there would be no reduction in staff time for this case.
Commissioner Baker said the applicant is highly respected in the community and talked about the need for agricultural workers.

There was discussion regarding possible zoning violations throughout the County.

The following motion was made by Commissioner Jackson, duly seconded by Commissioner Sharpe: In the case of WVR20-002, 64001 US Highway 36, Request for Waiver of Fees Associated with a Special Exception Use hearing for agricultural worker housing, we have read the Board Summary Report and received testimony at the regularly scheduled public meeting of the Board. We find ourselves in agreement with staff’s recommendation as outlined in the Board Summary Report dated March 3, 2020 and deny the applicant’s request for a fee waiver.

The motion passed 4-0, Commissioner Holen absent and excused.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS
Commissioner Sharpe stated that the decision was made by the Board today that all County facilities would be closed to the public to help contain the spread of the COVID-19 virus, through Friday, March 27th. She further stated that the situation will continue to be evaluated and the Board will determine what further action would be taken.

Commissioner Sharpe further stated that employees who can work from home will do so. She said the Commissioners value the public and the employees and want to do as much as possible to ensure everyone is safe and healthy.

There being no other business before the Board, Commissioner Baker adjourned the meeting at 9:54 a.m.

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JOAN LOPEZ, CLERK TO THE BOARD
BY JOLEEN SANCHEZ, CLERK TO THE BOARD ADMINISTRATOR