

**CITY OF MANZANITA
JULY 2, 2020
SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

CALL MEETING TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by Mayor Scott at 12:03 pm July 2, 2020 via Zoom.

ROLL: Members present were: Mike Scott, Steve Nuttall, Hans Tonjes, Linda Kozlowski and Thomas Aschenbrener Staff present: Cynthia Alamillo, Kristin Grassest and Nina Jarvis.

FARMERS MARKET COVID-19 RELATED RESTRICTIONS: Farmers Market manager Emily Vollmer stated that while the prepaid only market has operated successfully, vendors continue to operate at a loss without on-site sales. Vollmer stated that because the market provides an essential service, some of the restrictions should be lifted to allow for on-site purchasing as well.

Vollmer presented a plan to Council for lifting the restrictions of on-site sales while still using safe practices to protect staff and the community. The proposal included requiring face masks to enter the market (for both customers and vendors), 10 feet between each booth to maintain social distancing, hand washing stations throughout the market, and a one-way flow of traffic to avoid cross traffic between customers. The Market would have a limited number of customers allowed in at one time, pick up orders would be processed in a separate location, and social distancing officers would help to ensure compliance.

Council greatly supports the Farmers market and appreciates the valuable resources that they bring to the Community. However, concerns remain over how the crowds will be controlled if a large amount of people attend. Although there will be a limited amount of people allowed in the market at once, there are concerns that customers will congregate out-side while waiting to be admitted. Although the market does not expect an unmanageable number of customers, past years have seen up to 2,000 people and Council is apprehensive to move forward while cases of COVID continue to rise. No final decisions were made.

Mayor Scott adjourned the meeting at: 2:03 pm

**MINUTES APPROVED THIS
5th Day of August, 2020**

Michael Scott, Mayor

Attest:

Cynthia Alamillo, City Manager/Recorder