

# MINUTES

KEY COLONY BEACH  
CITY COMMISSION SPECIAL MEETING  
Thursday April 30, 2020 9:30 a.m.  
Virtually via Zoom Conferencing

**1. Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance, and Roll Call:** The special meeting of the Key Colony Beach City Commission was called to order by Mayor DeNeale at 9:30 a.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

*Present Virtually:* Mayor John DeNeale, Vice Mayor Ron Sutton, Secretary/Treasurer Patti Trefry, Commissioner April Tracy and Commissioner Kimmeron Lisle.

*Also Present Virtually:* City Administrator Christopher Moonis, City Clerk Rebecca Todd, Executive Assistant Saara Staten, City Attorney Tom Wright, Police Chief DiGiovanni, Building Official Gerard Roussin.

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Mayor DeNeale reported on the Governor's order released the previous evening. He does not expect any changes for the Keys based on his conversations with the other mayors even though there were no preemptions for Monroe County. In the Governor's order the vacation rental restriction remains in place however restaurants are permitted to open at 25% capacity on May 4<sup>th</sup>. The County is disinclined to open restaurants at this time as to not place too much pressure on the checkpoint. However, Key West wants to open restaurants at the 25% capacity. Mayor DeNeale stated Monroe County is holding a Special Meeting at 11:00 a.m. and suggested delaying any decisions on reopening restaurants until further information is received from them.

City Administrator Moonis reported on the Department Head Meeting regarding opening of City Parks. It is the staff's recommendation to open the parks on Monday May 4<sup>th</sup> with normal hours of operation with the exceptions of the playgrounds at 7<sup>th</sup> St. and Eastside Park. The requirements for disinfecting playground equipment and the amount of disinfectant required was the deciding basis for this exemption. There will be strict social distancing guidelines with no more than 10 persons in any given area and wearing masks is recommended when appropriate. The Police Department will provide enforcement and Chief DiGiovanni agreed to allow the Building Department Officials and Public Works Supervisor to be ombudsman and monitor parks for any persons not practicing the guidelines. Chief DiGiovanni stated he expects more compliance with social distancing guidelines than was observed prior to the park closures. Mayor DeNeale stated the guidelines released by the Recreation Task Force have been successful at private facilities. Commissioner Trefry inquired regarding designation of a greeter as per the guidelines. Recreation Chairperson Ted Fischer stated there has always been a greeter assigned in the mornings which are the busiest times. He will contact participants regarding procedures and post the guidelines on the courts.

**2. Extension of Declaration of Local Emergency:** Mayor DeNeale presented the City of Key Colony Beach 8<sup>th</sup> Declaration of Local State of Emergency for COVID-19.

**MOTION:** Motion made by Vice Mayor Sutton, seconded by Commissioner Tracy to approve the City of Key Colony Beach 8<sup>th</sup> Declaration of Local State of Emergency.  
**ON THE MOTION:** Roll Call Vote. Unanimous approval. (9:47 a.m.)

Commissioner Tracy requested an update from Building Official Roussin on Key Colony Beach Club Condominiums. Building Official Roussin reported they have obtained a new manufacturer and he is awaiting the engineered plans. He and the City Engineer did not find the plans from the previous next gen company acceptable because they did not have Florida product approval. The current company has basically the same building system and does have product approvals. Building Official Roussin advised the painting of the "Do Not Block" box on the intersection of Sadowski Causeway and Clara Blvd. will commence the next morning and the Police Department will assist with traffic.

The meeting adjourned at 9:51 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Rebecca Todd  
City Clerk