

AGENDA
SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2021 AT 3:00 P.M.

THERE WILL BE A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE SULPHUR CITY COUNCIL, **SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2021 AT 3:00 P.M.** IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS LOCATED AT 500 NORTH HUNTINGTON, SULPHUR, LOUISIANA TO ADOPT THE FOLLOWING:

CALL TO ORDER
INVOCATION
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
ROLL CALL

1. ORDINANCE declaring a Public Emergency; authorizing the use of funds for the restoration of Police and Fire protection, water quality and production, wastewater collection and treatment and any other service or product which have been limited as a result of inclement weather conditions; and providing for effective date or ordinance.

ADJOURNMENT

***The next regular City Council meeting will be held on Monday, March, 8, 2021 at 5:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers located at 500 North Huntington Street, Sulphur, Louisiana.

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need special assistance to attend this meeting, please contact Arlene Blanchard at 527-4500, describing the assistance that is necessary.

ORDINANCE NO. _____ M-C SERIES

AN ORDINANCE DECLARING A PUBLIC EMERGENCY; AUTHORIZING THE USE OF FUNDS FOR THE RESTORATION OF POLICE AND FIRE PROTECTION, WATER QUALITY AND PRODUCTION, WASTEWATER COLLECTION AND TREATMENT AND ANY OTHER SERVICE OR PRODUCT WHICH HAVE BEEN LIMITED AS A RESULT OF INCLEMENT WEATHER; AND PROVIDING FOR EFFECTIVE DATE OF ORDINANCE.

WHEREAS, the National Weather Service has indicated the potential for heavy rains and wintry precipitation with impacts throughout Calcasieu Parish and specifically the City of Sulphur from Thursday, February 11, 2021 and for several days thereafter; and

WHEREAS, there is potential for localized heavy rainfall and flash flooding across portions of the City of Sulphur. It is anticipated that much colder air will then move into the City bringing the possibility of a hard freeze and a more significant round of winter precipitation; and

WHEREAS, the City of Sulphur could possibly experience severe damage which threatens the safety, health, and security of the citizens of the City of Sulphur, along with damage to private property and public facilities; and

WHEREAS, Emergency action must be taken to protect all persons and property; and

WHEREAS, the City of Sulphur is poised to take protective measures to help mitigate for the potential of heavy rains, flooding, and wintry weather that could cause damage to persons and property.

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Sulphur, Louisiana, the governing authority thereof, that based on the recommendation of Mayor Mike Danahay, a Public Emergency is hereby declared in the City of Sulphur, Louisiana, due to the need to provide police and fire protection, water quality and production, wastewater collection and treatment and any other service or product which have been limited as a result of the upcoming inclement weather.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that, I, Mike Danahay, Mayor of City of Sulphur, by the authority vested in me by the Louisiana Homeland Security and Emergency Assistance and Disaster Act, R.S. 29:721, et seq., and local ordinances do hereby proclaim the following and authorize to secure reimbursement from FEMA for any and all funds expended:

A STATE OF EMERGENCY does exist within the City of Sulphur, Louisiana. All emergency plans must be activated, and the necessary actions be taken.

BE IT FURTHEREST ORDAINED that this Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon adoption.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED by
the City Council of the City of Sulphur,
Louisiana, on this _____ day of
_____, 2021.

JOY ABSHIRE, Vice-Chairman

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing Ordinance has been presented to the Mayor on this _____ day of _____, 2021, at _____ o'clock _____.m.

ARLENE BLANCHARD, Clerk

I HEREBY CERTIFY that I have received from the Mayor at _____ o'clock _____.m. on this _____ day of _____, 2021, the foregoing ordinance which has approved/vetoed by the Mayor.

ARLENE BLANCHARD, Clerk

NOTICE OF PUBLIC EMERGENCY

In order to provide all citizens of Sulphur with required police and fire protection, safe ingress and egress on City streets, water quality and production, and wastewater collection and treatment, the City will need to take appropriate actions to provide these services, which have been limited, as a result of inclement weather conditions. To do this, will require the declaration of a public emergency.

Louisiana Public Bid Law provides in R.S. 38:2212, that all public work including labor, materials and all purchases of materials or supplies exceeding the sum of \$30,000 must be advertised and bid with an exception as stated in R.S. 38:2212 P (1)(a). This section of the law, shall not apply in cases of public emergency where such emergency has been certified to by the public entity and notice shall, within ten days thereof, be published in the official journal of the public entity proposing or declaring such public emergency.

The Sulphur Home Rule Charter, in Section 2-14 (A) Emergency Ordinances, provides that to meet the public emergency affecting life, health, property or public safety, the Council, by a favorable vote of a majority of the authorized membership may adopt an emergency ordinance at the meeting at which it is introduced. Such emergency ordinance shall contain a specific statement of the emergency claimed.

Therefore, a public emergency is hereby declared by Mayor Mike Danahay as of February 14, 2021, necessitating required purchases and services for the restoration of basic City services, without the normal formalities.

Signed this 14th day of February, 2021.

Mayor Mike Danahay