RESOLUTION NO. 5 SERIES 2020

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GUNNISON, COLORADO, ESTABLISHING A POLICY FOR ELECTRONIC PARTICIPATION DURING CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS

WHEREAS, the City of Gunnison is a home-rule municipality; and

WHEREAS, the Charter of the City requires that Council hold at least one council meeting per month, and that the Council set rules of procedure for such meetings; and

WHEREAS, the Planning and Zoning Commission meets twice per month, or as necessary; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that during certain situations such as a health pandemic or emergency affecting the City that makes it impractical or imprudent to meet in person, that meetings may be conducted by telephone, electronically, or by other means of communication so as to provide maximum practical notice and the opportunity for public participation; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that this policy is necessary for the health, safety and welfare of the City and its inhabitants.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GUNNISON, COLORADO, THAT:

In the event a quorum is unable to meet at the day, hour, and place fixed by the rules and procedures of the City Council or the Planning and Zoning Commission because meeting in-person is not practical or prudent due to a health pandemic or emergency affecting the City, meetings may be conducted by telephone, electronically, or by other means of communication so as to provide maximum practical notice. Meetings may be held by telephone, electronically, or by other means of communication if all of the following conditions are met:

- 1. The City Manager or the Mayor determines that meeting in person is not practical or prudent, because of a health pandemic or declaration of emergency affecting the City;
- 2. All members of the City Council or Planning Commission can hear one another or otherwise communicate with one another and can hear or read all discussion and testimony in a manner designed to provide maximum notice and participation;
- 3. Members of the public present at the regular meeting location can hear or read all discussion, testimony and votes, unless not feasible due to the pandemic or emergency;
 - 4. All votes are conducted by roll call;
- 5. Minutes of the meeting are taken and promptly recorded, and such records are open to public inspection; and
- 6. To the extent possible, full and timely notice is given to the public setting forth the time of the meeting, the fact that members of the City Council or the Planning and Zoning Commission are participating by telephone, and the right of the public to monitor the meeting from another location.

This Policy shall only apply to regular and special meetings (including work sessions) of the City Council and Planning and Zoning Commission of the City of Gunnison, Colorado.

INTRODUCED, READ, PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Gunnison, Colorado, this 20th day of March, 2020.

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Jim Gelwicks, Mayor

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Erica Boucher, City Clerk