

TAMPA CITY COUNCIL

NOTICE OF VIRTUAL SPECIAL CALL MEETING

Date: Thursday, September 10, 2020
Time: 10:00 AM (Following CRA Meeting)
Location: Communications Media Technology (GoToWebinar)

Because of the COVID-19 State of Emergency, this virtual Special Call Meeting of the Tampa City Council will be held in accordance with declarations and provisions of the Governor's Executive Order 20-69 as extended by EO 20-179 and EO 20-193, and by City Council Resolution No. 2020-225 and as amended by Resolution No. 2020-490. It will be conducted by audio teleconferencing with video presentations, remote participation which is referred to by State of Florida statutes and rules as "communications media technology" ("CMT").

The purpose of the meeting is to receive a report and update from the Administration on the City's mental health initiative, as well as to conduct any other new business.

The public and citizens of the City of Tampa will be able to watch, listen or view this meeting on:

Cable TV: Spectrum Channel 640
Frontier Channel 15

Internet: <https://www.tampagov.net/livestream>

Since this meeting will be conducted with the use of communications media technology, the following alternative methods have been established for members of the public to offer public comment:

1. **Internet or web** at <https://www.tampagov.net/PublicComment>
2. **Voicemail** message with your comments by calling (813) 274-8877 (Please follow the prompts when you call.)

3. **By mail** to City of Tampa City Clerk, 315 E. Kennedy Blvd., 3rd Floor, Tampa, FL 33602.

4. **Speak remotely during public comment:**

Complete the form at <https://www.tampagov.net/PublicComment> **AND** stating on the form under Request Type that you wish to speak live during the public comment period. You will be contacted with additional instructions.

5. **Provide comments "in person" during the meeting:**

Those individuals who do not have access to a communications media device or are otherwise unable to participate via communications media technology, may utilize the communications media technology device that will be made available to the public by the City of Tampa, during the virtual meeting, at:

The Tampa Convention Center
333 S. Franklin Street, Tampa FL 33602, (Channel Entrance only).

PLEASE NOTE: *The members of the City Council will NOT be present at the Tampa Convention Center but will be participating in the virtual meeting via CMT. Use of masks and social distancing inside the building are required.*

Public comments, prerecorded and live, will be heard at the start of the meeting at the direction of the City Council. All written or voicemail comments must be received no later than **10:00 AM, Wednesday, September 9, 2020**, in order to be made part of the official record of the meeting. Registration for public comment by speaking remotely should also be completed by **10:00 AM, Wednesday, September 9, 2020**.

Written comments may not exceed 400 words, and voicemail comments may not exceed 3 minutes in length. Recorded and live public comment will be heard at the start of the meeting. Voicemail comments will be played during the public comment section of the meeting and become part of the permanent record of the meeting. Written comments received by mail or email will be distributed to the City Council, and will also be included in the permanent record of the meeting. All public comments timely received by mail, email or voicemail will be afforded equal consideration as if the public comments were made in person. Persons requiring help in accessing this means of public participation should call [813-274-8397](tel:813-274-8397) for assistance.

For additional information, please contact City Council Attorney Martin Shelby at Martin.Shelby@tampagov.net or 813-274-8869.

Should any person desire to appeal any decision of the Tampa City Council with respect to any matter to be considered at this meeting, that person shall ensure that a verbatim record of the proceeding is made including all testimony and evidence upon which any appeal may be based ([F.S. 286.0105](#)).

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (“ADA”) and Section 286.26, Florida Statutes, persons with disabilities needing a reasonable accommodation to participate in this public hearing or meeting should contact the City of Tampa’s ADA Coordinator at least 48 hours prior to the proceeding. The ADA Coordinator may be contacted via phone at 813-274-3964, email at TampaADA@tampagov.net, or by submitting an ADA - Accommodations Request form available online at tampagov.net/ADARequest.