

RESOLUTION NO. 4974

A RESOLUTION EXTENDING THE MAYOR'S DECLARATION OF A DISASTER EMERGENCY AND EXTENDING THE TEMPORARY PROVISIONS OF ORDINANCE NO. 6126 REGARDING TELEPHONIC PARTICIPATION OF COUNCIL MEMBERS AND CONDUCT OF COUNCIL MEETINGS

WHEREAS, since March 2020, the Mayor and City Council have taken many actions in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, including the efficient and effective disbursement of CARES Act funds to the community; and

WHEREAS, recently there has been good news concerning vaccines for the coronavirus, but certain aspects of the pandemic are still of concern; and

WHEREAS, on March 24, 2020, Mayor Matherly issued a Declaration of a Disaster Emergency Within the City of Fairbanks for the COVID-19 Pandemic and Requesting State and Federal Assistance, which has been extended five times (Resolutions 4907, 4909, 4913, 4928, as Amended, and 4946, as Amended) and is set to expire on June 30, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the Council enacted Ordinance No. 6126 that authorized telephonic participation by council members at City Council meetings and authorized the Mayor to modify the provisions of the Fairbanks General Code regarding the conduct of public meetings through May 31, 2020, which was extended three times (Resolutions No. 4913, 4928, as Amended, and 4946, as Amended) and is set to expire on June 30, 2021; and

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 4928, as Amended, authorized remote participation of council members and members of the community using an online platform; and

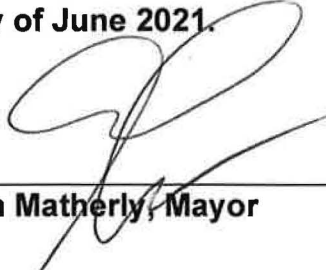
WHEREAS, an extension of the Mayor's declaration of emergency and the provisions of Ordinances No. 6126 is warranted.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Fairbanks, that the Mayor's Declaration of a Disaster Emergency Within the City of Fairbanks for the COVID-19 Pandemic and Requesting State and Federal Assistance is hereby extended through December 31, 2021, unless extended or terminated by further resolution of the City Council; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the temporary provisions of Ordinance No. 6126, authorizing the telephonic participation of council members at City Council meetings and authorizing the Mayor to modify provision of the Fairbanks General Code regarding public meeting and the temporary provision approved by Resolution 4928, as Amended, allowing remote participation of council members and community members

via an online platform, are hereby extended through December 31, 2021, unless extended or terminated by further resolution of the City Council.

PASSED and APPROVED this 14th Day of June 2021.



Jim Matherly, Mayor

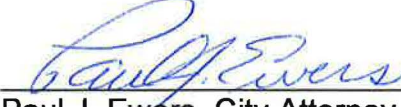
AYES: PASSED and APPROVED on the CONSENT AGENDA
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None
APPROVED: June 14, 2021

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



D. Danyielle Snider, MMC, City Clerk



Paul J. Ewers, City Attorney