

**ORDINANCE NUMBER 0-2020-06
CITY COUNCIL RULES AND PROCEDURES**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 2020-05, ESTABLISHING THE RULES AND PROCEDURES TO
BE USED BY THE WARD CITY COUNCIL; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES;**

WHEREAS, A.C.A. § 14-43-501 requires City Councils to organize itself annually during the month of January; and,

WHEREAS, Rules and Procedure for the Ward City Council are hereby established as Attachment "A" of Ordinance 2020-01.

WHEREAS, because of Emergency Legislative Action signed by the Governor, it is necessary to update City of Ward Ordinance 2020-05.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WARD, ARKANSAS THAT
ORDINANCE 2020-05 IS HEREBY AMENDED AS FOLLOWS;**

SECTION 1: Delete SECTION 2a and replace with the following:

- a. If the Governor declares a disaster emergency under the Arkansas Emergency Services Act of 1973, it may become necessary to hold City Council (and other public meetings) virtually utilizing electronic means. "Electronic Means" shall be defined as by a telephone, cell phone, electronic tablet, computer, or other electric device which allows video calls or chat that provides evidence of the communication and is recordable and audible to all parties participating in or attending or viewing the meeting.

SECTION 2: Add the following paragraph to SECTION 2:

- f. The policies and procedures concerning Virtual Meetings expire when the declared emergency has ended, been repealed, or is allowed to expire by order of the Governor.


PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 15th **DAY OF** June, 2020

YEAS: 5 **NAYS:** 0

APPROVED:


Charles Gastineau, Mayor

ATTEST:


Courtney Ruble, City Clerk

CITY SEAL

