

On motion by **Councilman Rau** and seconded by **Councilman Miller**, the following ordinance was introduced:

ORDINANCE NO. 4908

An ordinance as amended ratifying emergency Ordinance No. 4905, necessitated by the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) public health crisis, supplemented and amended the City of Gretna Code of Ordinances. to provide for the adoption of LA R. S. 14:329.6 and LA R. S. 14:329.7A; allowing the Gretna Police Department to enforce the conditions of the proclamation of the state of emergency declared by Governor Jon Bel Edwards, and provided for penalties of violations of said conditions and related matters.

WHEREAS, the City of Gretna has an interest in the health, safety, and welfare of its citizens; and

WHEREAS, the City of Gretna, the State of Louisiana, the United States of America, and indeed the world is in the grips of a pandemic, the likes of which are unprecedented; and

WHEREAS, the governor of the State of Louisiana has declared a state of emergency and a series of Executive Orders that outline certain restrictions relative to the operation of businesses as well as social gatherings; and

WHEREAS, current state law provides for the chief law enforcement officer to have the duty and responsibility of enforcing those and any other restrictions that he may promulgate to protect public safety; and

WHEREAS, said current state law, LSA R.S. 14:329.6 and LSA R.S. 14:329.7A provide the authority, conditions, effects of said state of emergency as well as providing for penalties for violations thereof; and

WHEREAS, the City of Gretna wishes to adopt said statutes by reference into the Gretna Code of Ordinances.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Gretna, acting as legislative authority for said City, that:

The City of Gretna Code of Ordinances are hereby supplemented and amended to adopt by reference LSA R.S. 14:329.6 and LSA R.S. 14:329.7A

Provided that a majority of the City Council of the City of Gretna have voted in favor of this ordinance, this ordinance shall have the full force and effect of law at midnight on the tenth day follow- ing the Clerk's presentment of same to the Mayor, in accor- dance with Louisiana Revised Statutes 33:406(c)(2) unless the Mayor returns same, unsigned, to the Clerk during that ten-day period.

This ordinance having been submitted to a vote; the vote thereon was as follows:

Yeas: **Councilmen Rau, Miller, Hinyub and Berthelot**

Nays: None

Absent: Councilman Crosby

ADOPTED: MAY 13, 2020

/S/ NORMA J. CRUZ, CMC
CITY CLERK
CITY OF GRETNA
STATE OF LOUISIANA

Ordinance presented to the Mayor on May 14,2020

/S/ NORMA J. CRUZ, CMC
CITY CLERK
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APPROVED: MAY 14, 2020

/S/ BELINDA C. CONSTANT
MAYOR
CITY OF GRETNA
STATE OF LOUISIANA

Ordinance returned from the Mayor on May 14, 2020

/S/ NORMA J. CRUZ, CMC
CITY CLERK
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