

Introduced By:	Parker
Date:	October 13, 2021
Public Hearing:	October 27, 2021
Action:	Enacted
Vote:	6 Yes, 0 No

CITY OF SOLDOTNA
ORDINANCE 2021-020

AN ORDINANCE SUSPENDING RESTRICTIONS ON COUNCIL ATTENDANCE BY
TELECONFERENCE AS ESTABLISHED IN SOLDOTNA MUNICIPAL CODE 2.04.010(E)

WHEREAS, in March of 2020, Substitute Emergency Ordinance 2020-008 in part established provisions which suspended the restrictions on Council attendance by teleconference; and

WHEREAS, in April of 2021, Ordinance 2021-007 was enacted, codifying provisions which suspended the restriction on Council attendance by teleconference when an emergency disaster declaration is in effect; and

WHEREAS, the Emergency Declaration for the City of Soldotna was repealed in May of 2021 by Ordinance 2021-011; and

WHEREAS, although an Emergency Declaration is not currently in place, the Central Kenai Peninsula has been experiencing a substantial or high rate of transmission of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, further suspending the restrictions of Council attendance by teleconference will encourage those who experiencing any symptoms to join the meeting remotely; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the City to temporarily suspend the provisions of Soldotna Municipal Code (SMC) 2.04.010(E) through June 30, 2022;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOLDOTNA, ALASKA:

Section 1. This is a non-code ordinance.

Section 2. That Soldotna Municipal Code 2.04.010(E) is temporarily suspended. The Mayor and Council Members may telephonically attend regular and special meetings regardless of the ability to attend in-person and any such attendance shall not be considered a teleconference attendance for the purpose of the six meeting limitation established in SMC 2.04.010(E).

Section 3. This ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its enactment and shall expire on June 30, 2022 unless earlier repealed, extended or modified.

ENACTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL THIS 27TH DAY OF OCTOBER, 2021.

Paul J. Whitney, Mayor

ATTEST:

Michelle M. Saner, MMC, City Clerk

Yes: Hutchings, Ruffridge, Nelson, Carey, Chilson, Parker
No: None