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The Board of Directors of the City of Little Rock, Arkansas, met in a Special Called Meeting with Mayor Frank Scott, Jr., presiding. City Clerk Susan Langley called the roll with the following Directors present: Webb; Peck; Hines; Wright; Kumpuris; Adcock; Vice-Mayor Wyrick; and Mayor Scott. Directors Absent: Hendrix; Richardson; and Fortson. Director Joan Adcock delivered the invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. <u>ORDINANCE</u>: To amend Little Rock, Ark., Rev. Code § 2-50 (1988) to define the word present to include attendance by electronic means; *to declare an emergency;* and for other purposes. (1st Reading held on March 17, 2020) Staff recommends approval.

The ordinance was read for the second time.

Due to the fact that there were only seven (7) Board Members in attendance, the rules could not be suspended for a motion to be made for the ordinance to be read a third and final time.

City Attorney Tom Carpenter stated that if the Board wanted to hold a second Special Called Meeting that day to advance the ordinance to third reading, a two (2)-hour notification would need to be made. City Attorney Carpenter stated that the ordinance would need six (6) affirmative votes in order for it to be passed; however, it would take eight (8) affirmative votes in order for the emergency clause to be passed. City Attorney Carpenter stated that the emergency clause would ensure that the ordinance was effective immediately, and with no emergency clause, the ordinance would not be effective until thirty (30) days after passage.

Director Hines made the motion, seconded by Director Adcock to adjourn the meeting and to schedule another Special Called Meeting that afternoon at 2:30 PM. By unanimous voice vote of the Board Members present, the meeting was adjourned and a Special Called Meeting was scheduled for 2:30 PM.

ATTEST:	APPROVED:
Susan Langley, City Clerk	Frank Scott, Jr., Mayor