

**CITY OF PATERSON**

**NOTICE OF MEETING WITHOUT 48-HOUR ADVANCE PUBLISHED NOTICE, AS AN EXCEPTION TO THE ORDINARY ADVANCE-NOTICE REQUIREMENTS OF THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT.**

**PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PATERSON SCHEDULED A MEETING FOR FRIDAY, JANUARY 22, 2021 AT 5:30 PM, HELD VIA WEBEX DUE TO THE CURRENT PANDEMIC.**

As is the practice for City of Paterson public meetings over the course of the current pandemic, the meeting was broadcast on the City of Paterson Youtube channel, and/or Channel 77 (Cablevision), and/or Channel 32 (Verizon), with remote participation in the Public Portion via dial-in to 973-321-1579, ID Code 8326.

The ordinary notice requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act, codified in pertinent part at N.J.S.A. 10:4-8(d) and N.J.S.A. 10:4-9(a), would require this Notice to be published no later than 5:30 PM on Wednesday, January 20, 2021. However, it was necessary to call this meeting pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-9(b) because of a “matter of such urgency and importance that a delay for the purpose of providing adequate notice would be likely to result in substantial harm to the public interest,” N.J.S.A. 10:4-9(b)(1), to be addressed by the following:

**1. DISCUSSION OF THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL, AS A SUCCESSOR TO THE CITY OF PATERSON BOARD OF HEALTH, ADDRESSING COVID-19, AND URGENT LOCAL RESPONSE THERETO**

**NO FORMAL ACTION TO BE TAKEN**

The said “matter of such urgency and importance” that, if delayed, “would be likely to result in substantial harm to the public interest,” N.J.S.A. 10:4-9(b)(1) is that the effectiveness of local response to the COVID-19 pandemic can materially affect the health of Paterson residents, thus providing reason for the Municipal Council as a successor to the City of Paterson Board of Health to evaluate local pandemic response.

On Thursday, January 21, 2021, the meeting was called, and notice was given by posting at City Hall, 155 Market Street, by filing it with the City Clerk, and by sending the notice by fax or e-mail to the Herald News, the Record, and other newspapers used for Public Notices as required by N.J.S.A. 10:4-9(b)(3).

Other than a **SHORT PUBLIC PORTION** required by N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(a), this meeting without 48-hour advance published notice was limited to discussion of and/or action on the above-described matter.

**DATED: January 21, 2021**

**FLAVIO RIVERA, COUNCIL PRESIDENT  
SONIA GORDON, CITY CLERK**