

**CADDO PARISH COMMISSION**  
**505 TRAVIS STREET, GOVERNMENT PLAZA**  
**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA**  
**(Virtual)**  
**July 14, 2020**  
**1:00pm**

1. ROLL CALL:

Commissioners:

Hopkins	District 1	Gage-Watts	District 7
Johnson	District 2	Taliaferro	District 8
Jackson	District 3	Atkins	District 9
Young	District 4	Chavez	District 10
Burrell	District 5	Lazarus	District 11
Cawthorne	District 6	Epperson	District 12

2. INVOCATION:

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

4. CITIZENS COMMENTS:

Citizens who wish to address the Committee, please fill out a comment card by clicking [HERE](#) and submit to the Commission Clerk's Office. Individual comments are limited to 3 minutes and will be read aloud during the Public Comments section of this agenda. Citizens may also address the Committee by calling the Commission Clerk's Office at (318) 226-6596 during the Public Comments section of this agenda.

5. NEW BUSINESS:

5.I. Certificate For Teleconference 07.14.20

Documents:

[CERT FOR TELECONFERENCE 7.14.2020.PDF](#)

5.II. Discussion/Action Relative To Public Safety At The Caddo Parish Courthouse And Within The 500 Block Of Texas Avenue  
(Commissioner Johnson)

5.III. Amending Ordinance 5962 Of 2020  
Amending Ordinance 5962 of 2020 and otherwise providing with respect thereto.  
(Commissioner Young)

Documents:

[ORDINANCE AMENDING 5962 REGARDING AGE.PDF](#)

5.IV. COMMISSION TO CONVENE INTO EXECUTICE SESSION

Commission to discuss matters relative to **case number, 620,773-B, First Judicial District Court.**  
(Parish Attorney's Office)

6. ADJOURN:

To all persons desiring to attend and observe a meeting of the Caddo Parish Commission, or who wish to present information to the body: If you have physical limitations that require special accommodations in order for you to attend and participate in a meeting of the Caddo Parish Commission, please contact the office of the Caddo Parish Commission Clerk at (318) 226-6596, at least 24 hours in advance of the meeting so that an effort can be made to provide those accommodations.

**CERTIFICATE OF NEED TO TELECONFERENCE AND/OR VIDEO  
CONFERENCE THE CADDO PARISH COMMISSION  
SPECIAL SESSION OF JULY 14th, 2020**

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**WHEREAS**, the Governor of the State of Louisiana has issued Proclamation Number 33 JBE 2020, stating that, due to the current Public Health emergency declared in the Governor's Proclamation Number 25 JBE 2020, and citing the provisions of La. R.S. 29:721, *et seq.*, granting him the authority to control the "ingress and egress to and from a disaster, the movement of persons within the area, and the occupancy of premises therein; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Governor, in Proclamation Number 33 JBE 2020, has limited all gatherings of 10 or more people, for public safety purposes; and,

**WHEREAS**, Governor has issued a general stay at home order "unless performing an essential activity," 33 JBE 2020, Section 3; and,

**WHEREAS**, attendance at a Caddo Parish Commission Regular Session meeting is not stated in the list of essential activities, listed in 33 JBE 2020, Section 3; and,

**WHEREAS**, the usual conduct of the meeting would require travel and the presence of a number of persons in excess of ten (10); and,

**WHEREAS**, the Governor of the State, in Proclamation Number 30 JBE 2020, Section 4, issued on March 16, 2020, has invoked the aforementioned statutes authorizing him to allow attendance at essential governmental meetings via teleconference or video conference during the pendency of this emergency; and,

**THEREFORE**, the Caddo Parish Commission hereby certifies that it will not be able to obtain a quorum and convene a meeting in a public forum on July 14, 2020 due to the Governor's proclamations, and will be required to meet by video conference, and, if necessary teleconference, on that date as allowed by law and the Proclamations of the Governor listed above.

Date: July 13th, 2020

  
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**Mario Chavez**  
**Caddo Parish Commission President**

**ORDINANCE NO.    of 2020**

BY THE CADDO PARISH COMMISSION:

AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NUMBER 5962 OF 2020 RELATIVE TO MASK WEARING IN RESPONSE TO COVID-19, TO CHANGE THE AGE AT WHICH MASKS MUST BE WORN, AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, the Caddo Parish Commission adopts the recitals of Ordinance No. 5962 of 2020;

WHEREAS, Governor John Bel Edwards has issued Proclamation Number 89 JBE 2020 mandating mask wearing state-wide;

WHEREAS, that proclamation mandates mask wearing for children ages eight and above while strongly encouraging mask wearing for children between the ages of two and seven years of age;

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 5962 mandated children ages two years and older to wear masks;

WHEREAS, the Caddo Parish Commission believes it appropriate to adjust the age provision of Ordinance No. 5962; and

WHEREAS, the need for said action is immediate and necessary;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Caddo Parish Commission in due, legal and regular session convened, that Ordinance No. 5962 is hereby amended to change the age requirement from two years of age to eight years of age by amending Subparagraph C.1. to read as follows:

**“C. Exemptions – Facial Coverings Not Required.**

Facial coverings are not required for the following persons:

- 1. Children under eight (8) years of age and any child while under the custody of a licensed childcare facility, including daycare centers;

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BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that if any provision or item of this ordinance or the application thereof is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions, items or applications which can be given effect without the invalid provisions, items or applications, and to this end the provisions of this ordinance are hereby declared severable.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that this ordinance shall take effect upon adoption.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that all ordinances or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

**Approved as to legal form:**

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**Parish Attorney**

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**Date**