

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-03-06

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE USE OF ELECTRONIC CONSENT FOR SIGNATURES ON ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS, CONTRACTS AND OTHER INSTRUMENTS REQUIRING THE CITY'S SIGNATURE

WHEREAS, on March 10, 2020, the Governor of the State of Colorado declared a disaster emergency to be in effect due to the COVID-19 virus and declared pandemic; and

WHEREAS, on March 31, 2020, the City Council adopted a Resolution declaring an emergency on the same basis; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has and may in the future for an undetermined period of time, conduct meetings electronically by telephone and other electronic means, and

WHEREAS, City buildings may, to an exclusive or partial extent, be closed to the public during this time, and various City employees will be working remotely during this time; and

WHEREAS, consistent with the Governor's declarations and protocols established by other municipalities throughout the state, the City and its employees have shifted to the conduct of official business by telephone, email, and other electronic means, rather than in person; and

WHEREAS, as a consequence of the foregoing, physical signature of ordinances, resolutions, contracts, proclamations and other instruments may not be possible or practical; and

WHEREAS, the City Council wishes to authorize electronic approval and signature of such instruments, in order to facilitate the ongoing business of the City and its relationship with the public, other local governments, and the state of Colorado and to provide certainty to the persons, organizations, and governments with whom the City contracts and otherwise interacts; and

WHEREAS, in order to achieve these goals, the City Council intends this Resolution to provide authorization for execution of all such instruments by electronic consent.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORT MORGAN, COLORADO:

Section 1. This Resolution shall remain in effect for sixty (60) days from the date of its adoption, unless further renewed by City Council,

Section 2. All ordinances, resolutions, contracts, proclamations and other instruments of any kind or nature, providing for or otherwise requiring physical signatures

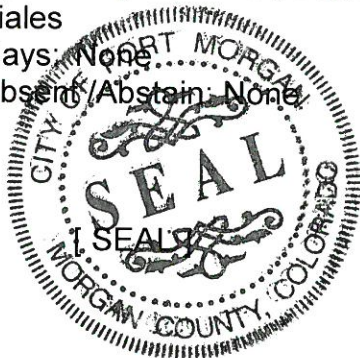
by City officials and employees, shall be permitted to be electronically approved by email consent of the required signers thereof, with a physical signature affixed at a later time, but such later physical signature shall not be a prerequisite to the immediate effectiveness of the instrument upon the signers' email approval or consent. It is the intention of the City Council that all parties dealing with the City in connection with any such instrument be entitled to rely upon the same, once electronically approved as provided herein, in the same manner as if a physical signature had been affixed. Documents calling for a notarial certification of City officials' signatures may instead be authenticated by the electronic signature of the City Clerk as provided herein.

INTRODUCED, PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 31st day of March, 2020, the vote upon roll call being as follows:


Ayes: Mayor Shaver, Councilmembers Anderson, Deal, Howe, Lindell, Schossow, and Urdiales

Nays: None

Absent/Abstain: None



THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
FORT MORGAN, COLORADO

BY: 
Ronald Shaver, Mayor

ATTEST:


John Brennan, City Clerk

STATE OF COLORADO)
COUNTY OF MORGAN) ss.
CITY OF FORT MORGAN)

CERTIFICATE

I, John Brennan, City Clerk of the City of Fort Morgan, Colorado, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing **Resolution** is a true, perfect and complete copy of the **Resolution** adopted by the City Council and is identical to the original thereof appearing in the official records of the City of Fort Morgan, Colorado, and that the same has not been, since its adoption, in any respect, rescinded or amended.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the City of Fort Morgan this 31st day of March, 2020.


John Brennan, City Clerk