

RESOLUTION TO SET THE PERIOD FOR THE CITY COUNCIL MARCH RECESS

- Whereas:** The United States, and many other countries around the world, are experiencing an unprecedented pandemic of the COVID-19 virus which is extremely contagious and is easily spread from person to person, thus causing medical experts urging people to practice social distancing of 6 feet from one another whenever possible, and
- Whereas:** The Detroit City Council encourages public attendance and participation at all of its meetings and routinely has hundreds of members of the public present. Accordingly, the City Council realizes and appreciates the danger to the public gatherings create and the impracticality of keeping the required 6 foot distance between attendees at its meetings; and
- Whereas:** The Department of Innovation and Technology (DoIT) has the capability, through its Zoom Program, to broadcast interactive meetings over the internet which allows for public access and managed, live and active participation in these meetings, and
- Whereas:** It will take time to train participants and implement video conferencing of Council meetings, **Now Therefore Be It**
- Resolved:** That in accordance with Article 5, Chapter 1, Section 4-102 of the 2012 Detroit City Charter, at the close of business on Tuesday, March 17, 2020, Detroit City Council will stand in recess until Tuesday, March 24, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. for Formal Session; **And Be It Finally**
- Resolved:** That the Detroit City Clerk is directed to post notice of this resolution

March 16, 2020