A. Call to order
Mayor Clay Koplin called the Council Special Meeting to order at 11:00 am on September 4, 2019 in the Cordova Center Mayor’s Conference Room.

B. Roll call
Present for roll call were Mayor Clay Koplin and Council members Melina Meyer, Anne Schaefer and David Glasen. Council members Tom Bailer, Jeff Guard and David Allison were present via teleconference. Council members Ken Jones was absent. Also present were City Clerk Susan Bourgeois and City HR/Grants Manager Cindy Appleton as well as members of the City Manager Assessment Committee: Cathy Sherman, Tony Schinella and Cathy Renfeldt.

C. Approval of agenda
M/Meyer S/Glasen to approve the agenda.
Vote on the motion: 6 yeas, 0 nays, 1 absent (Jones). Motion was approved.

D. Disclosures of conflicts of interest and Ex Parte Communications - none

E. Communications by and petitions from visitors
1. Audience Comments regarding agenda item - none

F. New Business
2. Video-conferenced Interviews with City Manager Candidates
Mayor Koplin went over what he’d say as the intro. He said he’d explain it should take 40 minutes or so, he’d say there is no extra credit for extra-long answers. He asked Appleton if she had any comments/suggestions to make. She said Council had a sheet in front of them with interview do’s and don’ts, which were pretty common-sense. Mayor Koplin said Council is welcome and encouraged to ask follow-ups to any questions.
Candidate Helen Howarth called into the meeting for her interview at 11:14 am. Council conducted the interview consisting of eleven questions from 11:14 am until 11:52 am. After the candidate was offline, Council had a short discussion and there was concurrence of all six to invite Howarth for an in-person interview.
Mayor Koplin recessed the meeting at 11:54 am and Council came back into the special meeting at 12:00 pm. Candidate Ernest Weiss called into the meeting for his interview at 12:00 pm. Council conducted the interview consisting of eleven questions from 12:00 pm until 12:28 pm. After the candidate was offline, Council had a short discussion and Glasen and Bailer said they would prefer to conduct the other interviews before committing to an on-site interview with this applicant. Guard and Allison said they were not interested in a follow-up with this candidate. Other Council members said they would prefer to wait until tomorrow’s discussion of all candidates.
3. Council discussion of interviewees - this was already done above.

G. Audience participation - none

H. Council comments
Glasen said that was a piece of cake.
Schaefer said that was a good start.

I. Executive Session
Council did not require this executive session
4. see item 3 above may be discussed in executive session for this reason: subjects which may be discussed are subjects that tend to prejudice the reputation and character of any person, provided that the person may request a public discussion, specifically, discussion of city manager applicants.

J. Adjournment
M/Glasen S/Meyer to adjourn.
Vote on the motion: 4 yeas, 0 nays, 3 absent (Jones, Guard, Schaefer). Motion was approved. The meeting was adjourned at 12:32 pm

Approved: September 18, 2019

Attest: 
Susan Bourgeois, CMC, City Clerk