

**CITY COMMISSION MEETING**

**Winfield, Kansas**

**Special Called Meeting**

DATE: Thursday February 25, 2021  
TIME: 4:00 p.m.  
PLACE: Community Council Room, City Hall, 200 E 9th Avenue

**A G E N D A**

CALL TO ORDER.....Mayor Gregory N. Thompson

ROLL CALL.....City Clerk Brenda Peters

**BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR**

**NEW BUSINESS**

Ordinances & Resolutions

**Bill No. 2119 – A Resolution** – A Resolution of the City of Winfield, KS declaring a local state of financial emergency.

**ADJOURNMENT**

-Next regular meeting 5:30 p.m. Monday, March 1, 2021

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF WINFIELD KANSAS  
DECLARING A LOCAL STATE OF FINANCIAL EMERGENCY**

**WHEREAS**, over a two-week period in February, low temperatures with sub-zero wind chills over several days accompanied by snow, sleet, and freezing rain across the state have caused stress to the energy infrastructure; and

**WHEREAS**, communities across the state including the City saw an increase in the demand for natural gas and electricity; and

**WHEREAS**, the City's agent for securing natural gas supply, the Kansas Municipal Gas Agency, employs a multi-pronged purchasing strategy to mitigate risks; and

**WHEREAS**, the cost to purchase daily index natural gas exceeded 150 times the normal prices rising from less than \$3.00/MMBtu to \$428.00/MMBtu; and

**WHEREAS**, without emergency action, the increased prices required to purchase natural gas and/or electricity will result in significantly higher than normal utility bills for the citizens of the City threatening the financial health, and the physical welfare of the City's residents and businesses; and

**WHEREAS**, The Governor of the State of Kansas declared a State of Disaster Emergency Proclamation within the state on February 14, 2021; and

**WHEREAS**, The Chairman of the Board of County Commissioners of Cowley County, Kansas declared a State of Local Disaster Emergency within the county on February 15th; and

**WHEREAS**, the Governing Body of the City of Winfield, in response to the situation desires to place the public on notice that it is exploring every avenue of relief and is declaring an extraordinary local state of financial emergency.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF WINFIELD, KANSAS:**

As of 2/24/2021 the City of Winfield, Kansas is in an extraordinary financial emergency.

This resolution shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its adoption and shall remain in effect until future action is taken by the Governing Body.

This resolution shall be published at least once in a newspaper of general circulation in the City.

**ADOPTED** this 25th day of February 2021 and **SIGNED** by the Mayor.

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Gregory N. Thompson, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Brenda Peters, City Clerk