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Sent: 7/16/2020 9:24:46 AM
To: 'Sheneika Smith', 'Keith Young'
Cc: 'Gwen Wisler AVL City Council', 'Vijay Kapoor', 'councilgroup', 'bbranham', 'Debra Campbell', 'Brian Haynes'
Subject: RE: Public Council Meeting July 28th

Debra â€œ when you have that information, can you share it with us.

From: Sheneika Smith <sheneikasmith@avlcouncil.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 16, 2020 10:23 AM
To: Keith Young <keithyoung@avlcouncil.com>
Cc: Gwen Wisler AVL City Council <gwenwisler@avlcouncil.com>; Vijay Kapoor <vijaykapoor@avlcouncil.com>; Esther Manheimer <esthermanheimer@avlcouncil.com>; councilgroup <AshevilleNCCouncil@ashevillenc.gov>; bbranham <bbranham@ashevillenc.gov>; Debra Campbell <dcampbell@ashevillenc.gov>; Brian Haynes <brianhaynes@avlcouncil.com>
Subject: Re: Public Council Meeting July 28th

I don't mind attending in person, but would like to know more about the safety plan.

On Thu, Jul 16, 2020, 10:16 AM Keith Young <keithyoung@avlcouncil.com> wrote:

Also, I have spoken with the mayor about myself attending remotely as well. I thought I could force myself to appear in person. That is not the case. I believe I would like to resume that previous course I discussed with you Esther about being remotely linked to the meeting. I do not feel safe and will follow suit with Brian. I have been tested for COVID-19 my results are not back. There is a possibility that I may have it or be Asymptomatic. I have reason to believe that I seriously might have it. I will hopefully find out before the meeting. Again, I am not comfortable at this time coming in person. I put myself at risk everyday walking into the courthouse with massive amounts of the public coming in, I only do this because I have to work to survive. Otherwise I wouldn't. I don't need any other bullets to dodge. I have been successful thus far in avoiding this thing. I went this long miraculously without cathing anything. I hope my blessings will prevail after this test comes back. I hope you all understand. Thanks.
-Keith Y.

On Thu, Jul 16, 2020 at 9:38 AM Gwen Wisler AVL City Council <gwenwisler@avlcouncil.com> wrote:

If Brian wants to attend virtually, I am good with that.
Gwen

On Jul 16, 2020, at 8:51 AM, Vijay Kapoor <vijaykapoor@avlcouncil.com> wrote:

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I am fine if Brian wants to attend remotely. I can attend in person.

On Thu, Jul 16, 2020, 8:45 AM <esthermanheimer@avlcouncil.com> wrote:

Council â€œ Please see Brianâ€™s objection below, **let me know if anyone else objects to the in-person meeting**. The staff plans to hold this meeting in the arena so there will be a great deal of space for social distancing.

Thank you,
Esther

From: Brian Haynes <brianhaynes@avlouncil.com>

Sent: Thursday, July 16, 2020 8:14 AM

To: councilgroup <AshevilleNCCouncil@ashevillenc.gov>; Debra Campbell <dcampbell@ashevillenc.gov>

Subject: Public Council Meeting July 28th

Hi All,

I'm writing to express my opposition to resuming City Council meetings open to the public on July 28th. With Covid 19 cases spiking across large portions of the country, including North Carolina we should be looking at returning to some of Phase One restrictions such as those on lodging, instead of further reopening. My family lives in a multi-generational household which includes my parents and I would not be willing to put them at risk by attending this meeting. For us to hold a large open meeting at this time sends the wrong message.

Respectfully,

Brian