

**Certification of Meeting Conducted Pursuant to La. R.S. 42:17.1**

In accordance with R.S. 42:17.1 this notice shall serve as certification of the City of Baker La's inability to otherwise operate in accordance with the Louisiana Open Meetings Law due to such a meeting being detrimental to the health, safety, and/or welfare of the public as a result of the public health emergency, as declared by Governor John Bel Edwards on March 11, 2020 by State Emergency Declaration 25 JBE 2020.

The City of Baker, La will provide for attendance at its essential government meeting on October 28, 2021, via telephone conference (774-220-4000 PIN 22537) or physical presence in Council Chambers at 3225 Groom Road, Baker, La. It is essential that the City of Baker, La continue to operate to address matters directly related to its response to the disaster or emergency and/or matters that if delayed will cause a curtailment of vital public services or severe economic dislocation and hardship and/or matters that are critical to the continuation of its business and that are not able to be postponed due to OPEN MEETINGS LAW REVISED 09/28/2021 Page 19 of 29 to legal requirements and/or other matters that presiding officer has determined are critical or time-sensitive.

Considering the foregoing, and in accordance with R.S. 42:17:1 and 25 JBE 2020, the City of Baker, La's meeting on Thursday, October 28, 2021 at 4:00 PM CST will be held via telephone conference (774-220-4000 PIN 22537) or physical presence in Council Chambers at 3225 Groom Road, Baker, La. and in a manner that will allow for observation and input by members of the public, as set forth below:

The meeting may be observed at 3225 Groom Road, Baker, La or via telephone conference (774-220-4000 PIN 22537). In accordance with the rules of conduct of the Baker City Council Meetings, any person desiring to be heard relative to matters for public hearing may contact the Clerk of the Baker City Council, in writing to P O Box 707, Baker, LA 70704-0707 or [acanady@cityofbakerla.com](mailto:acanady@cityofbakerla.com), no later than 2:00 PM CST on October 28, 2021. All public comments will be properly identified and acknowledged during the meeting.

Certified this 28<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2021.



Darnell Waites  
Mayor, City of Baker, LA