

## City Council – Action Request Form

**Date:** January 11, 2021

**To:** Mayor, Mayor Pro Tempore, and Members of the City Council

**From:** Angela I. Carmon, City Attorney

**Council Action Requested:**

Ordinance Amending Chapter 18, Section 18-21 Entitled “Curfew and Other Restrictions Authorized During a State of Emergency”

**Strategic Focus Area:** Safe and Secure Community

**Strategic Objective:** No

**Strategic Plan Action Item:** No

**Key Work Item:** No



**Summary of Information:**

The attached ordinance amendment, recommended for your approval, provides for enforcement of the Mayor’s emergency proclamations/declarations through a civil enforcement process including the imposition of a civil penalty and allows the city manager to designate the appropriate city staff to undertake such civil enforcement efforts. Thus far, the Winston-Salem Police Department (“WSPD”) has been responsible, primarily, for the enforcement of the Mayor’s proclamations/declarations. The attached ordinance amendment, if approved, will afford WSPD the opportunity to redirect resources to other matters of a criminal nature while other city staff, designated by the city manager, take on such enforcement efforts. Additionally, the ordinance amendment makes it clear that the Mayor, where appropriate, can incorporate various provisions of any executive order issued by the governor into his proclamation/declaration, and provide for enforcement of such within the city limits. Finally, the ordinance amendment cleans up a few statutory references that have changed over time.

**Committee Action:**

<b>Committee</b>	<u>Public Safety 1/11/2021</u>	<b>Action</b>	<u>Approval</u>
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**Remarks:**