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**COUNTY BOARD – PROPOSED ADDENDUM
TUESDAY, June 02, 2020, 9:00 A.M.**

Zoom Information: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81306758458>

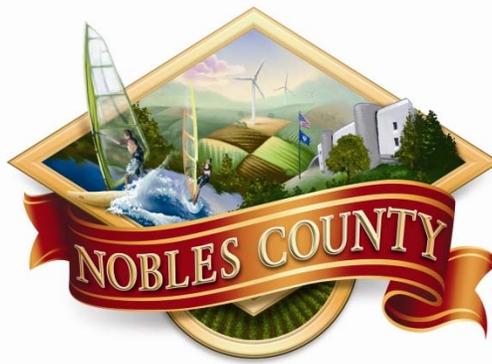
Call in Number: 1-312-626-6799

Meeting ID: 813 0675 8458

6.0 Department Presentations (9:30 a.m.)

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6.4 Use of Roadway Right of Way for Business (Action)



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COMMISSIONER BRIEFING

Use of Roadway Right of Way for Business

Public Works

Stephen Schnieder

Time needed: 10 Minutes

Issue:

The Governor is allowing restaurants and bars to open with outdoor seating.

To meet the guidelines for safety and to allow for sidewalks to be open for their intended use, parts of the roadway may be permitted for use by businesses upon meeting certain conditions for safety.

The applications to use the county road right of way for business purposes is issued by the county.

The local unit of government would need to make the request for the business and support the closing of the parking area.

Insurance coverage would be needed, and the county would be held harmless for any potential damages or legal action.

Discussion:

Is Nobles County interested in allowing restaurants and bars to use the road right of way for business?

Will Nobles County assist the community with barricades to close off the parking areas?

Will the permits need to go through the county board for approval, or will the permits be approved by staff?

Is there a need for this permit or any interest in the communities to use part of the right of way for business?

Options:

Authorize drafting a policy addressing the use of the right of way for restaurant and bar use.

Take no action.

Recommendation:

Determine if a policy should be established in case there is a request to use the right of way.