

**RESOLUTION 2020-33**

**A RESOLUTION DECLARING THAT THE BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS MEMBERS SHALL MEET ON APRIL 2, 2020, AND CONDUCT ITS ESSENTIAL BUSINESS BY ELECTRONIC MEANS RATHER THAN BEING REQUIRED TO GATHER A QUORUM OF THE MEMBERS PHYSICALLY PRESENT IN THE SAME LOCATION BECAUSE IT IS NECESSARY TO PROTECT THE HEALTH, SAFETY, AND WELFARE OF TENNESSEANS IN LIGHT OF THE COVID-19 OUTBREAK**

**WHEREAS**, Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) is a severe acute respiratory disease that appears to occur through respiratory transmission, presents with similar symptoms to those of influenza, and can lead to serious illness or death, particularly in the case of older adults and persons with serious chronic medical conditions; and

**WHEREAS**, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention has recommended that all states and territories implement aggressive measures to slow and contain transmission of COVID-19 in the United States; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 12, 2020, pursuant to the authority granted by Tenn. Code Ann. § 58-2-107, the Governor of Tennessee, Bill Lee, issued Executive Order No. 14, declaring a state of emergency to facilitate the response to COVID-19, and

**WHEREAS**, on March 13, 2020, the President of the United States, Donald J. Trump, declared a national state of emergency with respect to COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 20, 2020, Mayor Ken Moore issued Executive Order No. 2020-01 Declaring a State of Emergency and Civil Emergency; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 20, 2020, Governor Lee issued Executive Order No. 16 allowing electronic meetings while continuing to function openly and transparently; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 27, 2020, Mayor Moore issued Executive Order No 2020-03 continuing the Declaration of a State of Emergency and Civil Emergency; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Zoning Appeals believes it is in the best interest of the City of Franklin to conduct the April 2, 2020, meeting by electronic means.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS OF THE CITY OF FRANKLIN, TENNESSEE, AS FOLLOWS:**

The meeting scheduled for April 2, 2020, shall be conducted by electronic means rather than requiring a quorum of the members of the Board of Zoning Appeals to attend in person to protect the health, safety, and welfare of Tennesseans in light of the COVID-19 Outbreak. Physical access in the meeting room will be limited. The public can view and participate in the meetings by watching the meeting live or later as a recording on FranklinTV, the City of Franklin website, the City of Franklin's Facebook page, and the City of Franklin's YouTube account. Specific dial-in and website links can be found on the City's website at <https://www.franklintn.gov/Home/Components/Calendar/Event/7296/1092>.

**IT IS SO RESOLVED AND DONE** on this 2nd day of April, 2020.

**ATTEST:**

**By:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Kelly Dannenfelser**  
**Assistant Director of Planning and Sustainability**

**BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS:**

**By:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Jonathan Langley**  
**Vice-Chair**

**Approved as to Form By:**  
**Shauna R. Billingsley, City Attorney**