PLAINFIELD TOWN COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-17

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF PLAINFIELD, INDIANA REGARDING WAIVING CERTAIN PROCEDURES AND FORMALITIES DURING A DISASTER EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, on March 6, 2020, the Governor of Indiana declared a public health emergency of Coronavirus disease outbreak ("COVID-19") pursuant to I.C. 10-14-3-12; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to I.C. 10-14-3-12(d)(1), the Governor has the authority to: (1) suspend the provisions of any regulatory statute prescribing the procedures for conduct of state business, orders, rules or regulations of any state agency in strict compliance with any of these provisions would in any way prevent, hinder or delay necessary action in coping with the emergency; and

WHEREAS, after a special meeting of the Town Council on March 17, 2020 the President of the Town Council approved Executive Order 2020-1, an Executive Order of the Plainfield Town Council declaring a local emergency to provide for the Town of Plainfield to coordinate the Town’s response and protective actions to address the concerns of the spread of a novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) to provide for the health, safety and welfare of the residents and the Town employees; and

WHEREAS, on March 6, 2020 the Governor of Indiana declared a public health emergency for Coronavirus Disease 2019 Outbreak ("COVID-19") pursuant to I.C. 10-14-3-12; and
WHEREAS, I.C. 10-14-3-17 gives the Town of Plainfield ("Town") the authority to waive procedures and formalities otherwise required by law as a result of the disaster emergency declaration; and

WHEREAS, I.C. 10-14-3-17(j)(5) states, in part, a political subdivision may:

In the event of a national emergency or disaster emergency as provided in section 12 (I.C. 10-14-3-12) of this chapter, waive procedures and formalities otherwise required by law pertaining to:

(A) the performance of public work;
(B) the entering into of contracts;
(C) the incurring of obligations;
(D) the employment of permanent and temporary workers;
(E) the use of volunteer workers;
(F) the rental of equipment;
(G) the purchase and distribution of supplies, materials, and facilities; and
(H) the appropriation and expenditure of public funds.

WHEREAS, the Plainfield Town Council is the purchasing agent for the Town; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council for the Town desires to avoid the disruption of Town government and essential Town services that COVID-19 may create; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council for the Town recognizes concern for public health due to COVID-19 may prevent the council from meeting to conduct its business and affairs including the approval of payroll and other duties required by law.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Town Council for the Town of Plainfield, Indiana, that those procedures required by law pertaining to those functions set forth in I.C. 10-14-3-17(j)(5) under the jurisdiction of the council shall be waived in the event the President of the Town Council, as the Town's Executive and Town Council, determines that the council is unable to hold a meeting due to public health concerns arising out of COVID-19 at
which time the Town Council President shall have the authority to approve the same that would otherwise have been presented at the meeting.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED by the Town Council for the Town of Plainfield, Indiana, that this Resolution shall be deemed null and void upon the expiration of the declared public health emergency or any subsequent declared national emergency related to COVID-19.

SO RESOLVED on this 23rd day of March, 2020.

ADOPTED by the Town Council of the Town of Plainfield, Indiana, this 23rd day of March, 2020.

TOWN COUNCIL, TOWN OF PLAINFIELD
HENDRICKS COUNTY, INDIANA

Robin G. Brandgard, President

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Attested by:

Mark J. Todisco, Clerk-Treasurer
of the Town of Plainfield