## **EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2020-5**

## AN EXECUTIVE ORDER OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE PLAINFIELD TOWN COUNCIL

Affirming in part and superseding in part previously executed Executive Orders No. 2020-1, No. 2020-2, No. 2020-3 and No. 2020-4

- WHEREAS, the President of the Town Council is the Town Executive and as such has been vested with authority under Town of Plainfield Ordinance 09-2020 to take certain actions to protect the public safety, health and welfare of the Town, its people the public, its properties and all other assets; and
- WHEREAS, the President of the Town of Plainfield Town Council took Executive Actions on March 17, 2020 declaring a Local State of Emergency, in response to the concerns of the pandemic spread of a novel coronavirus (COVID-19) and in compliance and response to Executive Orders of the Governor of the State of Indiana; and
- WHEREAS, the Plainfield Town Council met during the regularly scheduled meeting on March 23, 2020 and voted to approve and affirm such emergency order; and
- WHEREAS, the Plainfield Town Council, in the same regularly scheduled meeting on March 23, 2020, also voted to approve Resolution NO. 2020-17, Waiving Certain Procedures and Formalities during a Disaster Emergency; and
- WHEREAS, the President of the Town of Plainfield Town Council took further Executive Actions on March 24, 2020 and May 5, 2020 detailing local compliance with the Governor's "Stay at Home" order and launching the "Plainfield Return to Work Plan" respectively and such orders were affirmed by the Town Council in regularly scheduled meetings; and
- WHEREAS, the State of Indiana remains in a State of Emergency by virtue of Executive Action by the Governor of the State of Indiana further extending the declaration of a State of Emergency on October 30, 2020; and
- WHEREAS, the Indiana State Department of Health confirmed cases of COVID-19 has started to spike after a period of decline; and
- WHEREAS, the Hendricks County Health Department has reported that County Metrics demonstrate an increased positivity rate as of November 9, 2020 after a period of decline; and
- WHEREAS, the Town of Plainfield Human Resources Department has reported that Civil Employee Quarantine due to increased positive cases and/or close contacts has increased, after a period of decline, and is now cause for concern of continuity of operations for the Town; and
- NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that the local State of Emergency shall remain in effect for the Town of Plainfield to coordinate the Town's response and protective actions to address the concerns of the spread of the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) to provide for the health, safety, and welfare of residents and Town employees; and
- IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that, in accordance with the Town's Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan and State emergency management standards, the Fire Chief, serving as Director of Emergency Management, shall maintain and operate the local Emergency Operations Center on an ad hoc basis for on-going communications and coordination during this emergency event; and
- IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Joint Information Center (JIC) shall be re-established as part of the Town's emergency response, in accordance with the Town of Plainfield Comprehensive Emergency Management Program, and shall be conducted virtually via a regular conference/video call of key personnel, public health officials, and emergency management officials; and

- IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Town Manager is vested with the authority to take any further reasonable actions necessary to limit the spread of COVID-19 by redirecting, rescheduling, restricting or otherwise modifying Town daily operations, employee duties or responsibilities and access to town facilities in consultation with the Council President; and
- IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Town Manager will document and implement COVID19 limitations and policy changes in a revised "Return to Work" plan, which will be renamed the "Plainfield Pandemic Response Plan"; and
- IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Town of Plainfield will extend COVID19 PTO at the employee's regular rate of pay beyond the two week limit of the Family First Coronavirus Response Act to cover all verified coronavirus related illnesses and quarantine requirements; and
- IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Town Manager and his staff seek all financial remedies for such emergency actions and efforts during this declared state of emergency, including applying to FEMA for reimbursement for relief or accessing CARES Act funding and all other cost recovery mechanisms made available to the Town; and
- IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the provisions of Executive Orders No. 2020-1, No. 2020-2, No. 2020-3 and No. 2020-4 are hereby modified and replaced by this order and any clause that is not directly addressed or modified by this order are superseded and any conflicts or inconsistencies shall be construed in favor of this order.
- IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this order and the actions derived therefrom will remain in force until the earlier of the following:
  - 1) The order or actions are modified or cancelled by the President; or
  - 2) The Plainfield Town Council, in a Special Meeting or a Regular Scheduled Meeting, cancels the actions taken by the President, modifies the actions taken by the President; or passes new emergency actions that replace and supersede the actions of the President.

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IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I, Robin G. Brandgard, have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Seal of the Town of Plainfield, Indiana, on this 13<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2020.

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Robin G. Brandgard

Robin G. Brandgard, President

ATTEST:

Andrew Klinger Town Manager