GLENCOE PARK DISTRICT COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS RESOLUTION No. 911

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING TEMPORARY RULES FOR PUBLIC COMMENT DURING THE GOVERNOR'S DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, the Glencoe Park District is an Illinois unit of local government operating under the Constitution and laws of the State of Illinois; and

WHEREAS, the Illinois Open Meetings Act, 5 ILCS 120/1 et seq. requires public bodies, including park districts, to provide an opportunity for public comment at each open meeting of the public body;

WHEREAS, the Open Meetings Act authorizes public bodies to prescribe reasonable rules governing public comment and recording of open meetings; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the Glencoe Park District finds that it is in the best interest of the Park District to temporarily adopt such rules which shall apply only during the term of Executive Order No. 2020-10 (Covid-19 EO No. 8), as extended by Executive Order 2020-18 (Covid-19 Order 16).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Park Commissioners of the Glencoe Park District, as follows:

SECTION 1. **Findings**. The Board of Commissioners hereby adopts the following legislative findings:

(1) The United States Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the United States Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), and the World Health Organization (WHO) have each determined that the SARS-CoV-2 virus causes the COVID-19 respiratory disease. The SARS-CoV-2 virus is a new strain of coronavirus not been previously identified in humans and is easily spread from person to person. The COVID-19 disease can result in serious illness and death.

- (2) Dozens of confirmed cases of COVID-19 have been identified in the State of Illinois to date, and many of the cases in Illinois are in the greater Chicagoland area. On January 31, 2020, the Secretary of HHS declared a public health emergency for the entire United States of America concerning COVID-19. On March 9, 2020, Governor Pritzker issued a disaster proclamation concerning the spread of COVID-19 in Illinois. On March 11, 2020, WHO declared that the spread of COVID-19 is a global pandemic. On March 13, 2020, President Trump declared a national emergency concerning the COVID-19 pandemic.
- (3) The Illinois Department of Public Health has now confirmed localized community person-to-person transmission of COVID-19 in Illinois, significantly increasing the risk of exposure and infection to Illinois' general public and creating an extreme public health risk in the Village and throughout the State. As has been experienced in other locales in the United States and around the world, the SARS-CoV-2 virus has the potential to infect large numbers of people in a short amount of time, placing extreme burdens on the health care system and the economy.
- (4) In order to prevent the spread of COVID-19 in the community, and to protect the residents of the community from disease and death, it is necessary to implement and adopt temporary rules for public comment while the Glencoe Park District conducts meetings remotely.
- **Section 2: Public Comment Rules**. The Board of Commissioners hereby suspends the normal rules for public comment and temporarily adopts the rules for public comment described in Exhibit A, attached hereto and incorporated by references, for the term of Executive Order 2020-10, as extended by Executive Order 2020-18.
- **Section 3. Effective Date**. The adoption and implementation of this Resolution is a matter of urgent public concern which requires it to take effect immediately upon its passage and approval.

 SO RESOLVED this 21st Day of April 2020.

AYES: Boron, Covey, Lutton, Onderdonk, Brooks	
NAYS: None	
ABSENT: None	
	APPROVED:
	Lisa M. Brooks, Board President Board of Park Commissioners Glencoe Park District
	ATTEST:
	Lisa M. Sheppard, Board Secretary Board of Park Commissioners Glencoe Park District
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EXHIBIT A TEMPORARY RULES FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

GLENCOE PARK DISTRICT TEMPORARY RULES FOR PUBLIC COMMENT ONLY DURING EXECTUIVE ORDER NO. 2020-10 (COVID-19 EO No. 8)

The Board of Commissioners welcomes public comments during all meetings. The Board has adopted and approved the following rules for public comment.

- 1. All speakers must submit public comments via email to the designated park official from the time the agenda is made public up until 15 minutes prior to the scheduled meeting. The email must include the speaker's name (address is optional). Public comments will be read aloud by a member of the Park Board or the Executive Director during the scheduled meeting. The designated email shall be lsheppard@glencoeparkdistrict.com.
- 2. Each person (or representative) is limited to one (1) email submission for public comment, which comment shall not exceed 250 words.
- 3. All comments from the public will be limited to three (3) minutes per person. The President or presiding officer reserves the right to suspend or limit the length of time available for all public comments to no greater than thirty (30) minutes.
- 4. All comments must be civil in nature. Email comments will be rejected if the content is slanderous or threatening.

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
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COUNTY OF COOK)

SECRETARY'S CERTIFICATE

I, Lisa M. Sheppard, do hereby certify that I am Secretary of the Board of Park Commissioners of the Glencoe Park District, Cook County, Illinois, and as such official, I am keeper of the records, ordinances, files and seal of said Park District; and,

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing instrument is a true and correct copy of Resolution No. 911:

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adopted at a duly called Regular Meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners of the Glencoe Park District, held at Glencoe, Illinois, in said District at 7:00 PM on the 21st day of April 2020.

I DO FURTHER CERTIFY that the deliberations of the Board on the adoption of said resolution were conducted openly, that the vote on the adoption of said resolution was taken openly, that said meeting was called and held at a specified time and place convenient to the public, that notice of said meeting was duly given to all of the news media requesting such notice, that said meeting was called and held in strict compliance with the provisions of the Open Meetings Act of the State of Illinois, as amended, and with the provisions of the Park District Code of the State of Illinois, as amended, and that the Board has complied with all of the provisions of said Act and said Code and with all of the procedural rules of the Board.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto affix my official signature and the seal of the Glencoe Park District at Glencoe, Illinois this 21st day of April 2020.

Lisa M. Sheppard, Board Secretary Board of Park Commissioners Glencoe Park District

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