

**FRANKFORT SQUARE PARK DISTRICT**

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this 17th day of August 2023.

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Park Board Secretary

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WHEREAS, the Open Meetings Act, 5 ILCS 120/1 *et seq.* (“OMA”), permits elected and appointed officials of the Park District to participate at public meetings by means other than physical presence, provided the Park District adopts a policy that conforms to the requirements and restrictions of the OMA;

WHEREAS, the Board of Park Commissioners has previously adopted Ordinance 16-02-293 to codify the policy of the Park District regarding the attendance of members of all Park District boards, commissioners, and committees to participate in public meetings by means other than physical presence;

WHEREAS, Public Act 103-0311 amended section 7 of the OMA, providing additional reasons for members of a public body to attend a public meeting by other means other than physical presence;

WHEREAS, the Corporate Authorities desire to permit attendance of members of all boards, commissions, and committees of the Park District to participate in public meetings by means other than physical presence in accordance with the requirements and recent amendments of the OMA;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the President and Board of Commissioners of the Frankfort Square Park District, Will and Cook County, Illinois, THAT:

SECTION 1. RECITALS. The Board adopts the foregoing recitals as its legislative findings, declares that such recitals accurately describe the purpose and intent of this Ordinance, and direct that this Ordinance shall be liberally construed to most fully protect the health, safety, and welfare of the Frankfort Square community.

SECTION 2. REMOTE PARTICIPATION POLICY; AMENDMENTS. Section 3 of the Frankfort Square Park District Remote Participation Policy, entitled “Prerequisites,” is hereby amended as follows:

“Section 3. Prerequisites. A member of the Covered Group shall be provided the opportunity to attend an open or closed meeting or only one of such meetings from a remote location if the member meets the following conditions and a majority of a quorum of the Covered Body votes to approve the remote attendance:

- (i) The member must notify the recording secretary or clerk of the Covered Body at least 24 hours before the meeting unless advance notice is impractical;
- (ii) The member must meet one of three reasons described herein why he or she is unable to physically attend the meeting, including either: (a) that the member cannot attend because of personal illness or disability; (b) the member cannot attend because of employment purposes or the business of

the Park District; (c) the member cannot attend because of a family or other emergency; or (d) the member cannot attend because of unexpected childcare obligations; and

- (iii) A quorum of the Covered Body must be physically present at the location of the public meeting.”

SECTION 3. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage, approval, and publication in pamphlet form in the manner provided by law.

SO ORDAINED this 17th day of August, 2023.

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President, Board of Park Commissioners

ATTEST:

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Secretary, Board of Park Commissioners

VOTES: (\_\_\_\_)

AYES: (\_\_\_\_)

NAYS: (\_\_\_\_)

ABSENT: (\_\_\_\_)

ABSTAIN: (\_\_\_\_)