A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE APPOINTMENT OF PATRICK AINSWORTH TO THE POSITION OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR FOR THE CITY OF CREST HILL EFFECTIVE JANUARY 6, 2025, AND SETTING THE INITIAL SALARY FOR PATRICK AINSWORTH

WHEREAS, the Corporate Authorities of the City of Crest Hill, Will County, Illinois, have the authority to adopt ordinances, resolutions, and rules and regulations that pertain to the City's government and affairs, and which are designed to protect the public health, safety, and welfare of its citizens; and

WHEREAS, the Corporate Authorities have previously exercised its statutory authority to create the position of Community and Economic Development Director, which position is codified in Chapter 2.94 of the City of Crest Hill Code of Ordinances, as amended from time to time; and

WHEREAS, the City of Crest Hill is currently without the services of a permanent Community and Economic Development Director; and

WHEREAS, Section 2.94.010 establishes that the hiring of the position of Community and Economic Development Director shall be by mayoral appointment with the advice and consent of the City Council; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor has appointed Patrick Ainsworth to the position of Community and Economic Development Director for the City of Crest Hill beginning January 6, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the Corporate Authorities have hereby determined that it is in the best interests of the City and its citizens to approve the Appointment of Patrick Ainsworth as Community and Economic Development Director for the City of Crest Hill beginning on January 6, 2025, conditioned on the satisfactory completion of all pre-employment requirements and conditions; and

WHEREAS, Section 2.94.020 of the City of Crest Hill Code of Ordinances provides that the compensation for the Community and Economic Development Director shall be fixed by the City Council; and

WHEREAS, the Corporate Authorities have determined that foregoing appointment of Patrick Ainsworth to the position of Community and Economic Development Director, as now approved and effective January 6, 2025, shall be at a starting salary of \$152,500.00 annually with employee benefits as outlined in the City of Crest Hill Employee Handbook; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Crest Hill, Illinois, pursuant to its statutory authority, as follows:

SECTION 1: PREAMBLE. The City Council hereby finds that all the recitals contained in the preamble to this Resolution are true, correct, and complete and are hereby incorporated by reference hereto and made a part hereof.

SECTION 2: PATRICK AINSWORTH APPOINTED AS COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR. The City Council hereby approves the appointment of Patrick Ainsworth as Community and Economic Development Director for the City of Crest Hill effective January 6, 2025, at a starting salary of \$152,500.00 annually with employee benefits as outlined in the City of Crest Hill Employee Handbook, conditioned on the satisfactory completion of all pre-employment requirements and conditions.

<u>SECTION 3</u>: SEVERABILITY. If any section, paragraph, clause, or provision of this Resolution is held invalid, the invalidity of such section, paragraph, clause, or provision shall not affect any other provision of this Resolution.

SECTION 4: REPEALER. All ordinances, resolutions or orders, or parts thereof, which conflict with the provisions of this Resolution, are to the extent of such conflict hereby repealed.

SECTION 5: EFFECTIVE DATE. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its passage and publication according to law.

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PASSED THIS 18TH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2024.

	Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Alderwoman Jennifer Methvin				
Alderman Scott Dyke				
Alderwoman Claudia Gazal				
Alderman Darrell Jefferson				
Alderperson Tina Oberlin				
Alderman Mark Cipiti Alderman Nate Albert				
Alderman Joe Kubal				
Mayor Raymond R. Soliman				
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-	Christ	ine Vershay-	Hall, City Cl	erk
APPROVED THIS 18 TH DAY OF NOVEMB	ED 2024			
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Raymond R. Soliman, Mayor				
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ATTEST:				
Christine Vershay-Hall, City Clerk				