Ordinance No.: 08.10.23.0\_\_\_\_

## AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOGANVILLE, GEORGIA, TO LIMIT THE FULL AND COMPLETE ORAL READING OF CITY ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS AT CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS

## THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOGANVILLE HEREBY ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:

WHEREAS, the City of Loganville, Georgia (the "City") has been vested with substantial legislative power to adopt clearly reasonable ordinances, resolutions, or regulations relating to its property, affairs, and local government for which no provision has been made by general law (O.C.G.A. § 36-35-3); and,

WHEREAS, Section 2.22. of the City Charter requires that each ordinance shall be in written form and read at a regular or special meeting of the Mayor and Council except in emergency situations before being voted upon; and,

WHEREAS, the City desires to limit the full and complete oral reading of the entirety of City ordinances and resolutions to be considered at City Council Meetings; and,

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council are aware that matters to be considered by them at their regular, special, and called meetings including proposed ordinances and resolutions will be properly posted to the City's website and other required forms of communication available to the public prior to the meetings in accordance with the Georgia Open Meetings Act (O.C.G.A. § 50-14-1 et seq.) by City Staff and that with such public posting the citizens of Loganville and those concerned with matters to be considered by the Mayor and Council will have opportunity to review and read ahead of time any proposed items to be considered by the Mayor and Council; and,

WHEREAS, such opportunity prior to the meetings of the Mayor and Council to review proposed ordinances and resolutions obviates the need to orally read the entirety of each proposed ordinance and resolution while still affording the public an opportunity to be well informed of the proposed actions of the Mayor and Council.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, that the Council of Loganville does hereby declare and adopt this Ordinance as follows:

- 1. The preamble of this Ordinance shall be considered to be, and is hereby incorporated by reference as if fully set out herein; and,
- 2. The full and complete textual oral reading of future City Ordinances and Resolutions before the Mayor and Council for their consideration shall not be required, but may be summarized by the title of the proposed ordinance or resolution and the substance of the same to be considered by the Council contained therein by City Staff upon presentation of the same to the Mayor and Council; and,
- 3. Upon motion made by the Mayor or any one City Council member, without the need of a second or vote on the same to request a full and complete textual oral reading of any ordinance or resolution under consideration by the Mayor and Council, the ordinance or resolution shall be read aloud in its entirety at the same City Council meeting; and,
- 4. This ordinance shall become effective upon its adoption.

| READ AND ADOPTED | o, this day of                      | , 2023.   |
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|                  | CITY OF LOGANVILLE                  | , GEORGIA |
|                  | By:Skip Baliles, Mayor              | (SEAL)    |
|                  | Attest:<br>Kristi Ash, Deputy Clerk | (SEAL)    |

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