

**STATE OF GEORGIA  
COUNTY OF DEKALB  
CITY OF STONECREST**

**RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF STONECREST GEORGIA TO ESTABLISH  
THE STONECREST TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY STEERING  
COMMITTEE OF THE CITY OF STONECREST; AND FOR OTHER LAWFUL  
PURPOSES**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Stonecrest ("City") was created by Senate Bill 208, passed in the Georgia General Assembly during the 2016 Session and subsequently confirmed by referendum; and

**WHEREAS**, Senate Bill 208 provided a charter for the City of Stonecrest (the "City Charter"); and

**WHEREAS**, the City Charter was amended by SB 21 on April 1, 2021 and,

**WHEREAS**, Section 1.03(b)(42) of the City Charter grants the City the power to exercise and enjoy all other powers, functions and rights necessary or desirable to promote the general welfare of the City and its inhabitants; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 3.01 (a)(9) of the City Charter gives the Mayor Pro Tem and the City Council the power to establish oversight and policy committees of the city council; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 2-137 of Chapter 2 of the Code of the City of Stonecrest, Georgia provides that the Mayor Pro Tem and council may establish advisory committees; and

**WHEREAS**, the city council recognizes the need to establish a citizen advisory committee before offering a resolution of the city's ultimate desires for various forms of transportation solutions to address transportation needs in Stonecrest, GA. and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council finds that the public health, safety and welfare of the citizens of Stonecrest, as well as the interests of the City of Stonecrest Public Transportation options and its stakeholders, will best be served by establishing a Stonecrest Transportation Advisory Steering Committee which will be comprised of public citizens of the City of Stonecrest; and

**WHEREAS**, the Stonecrest Transit Policy Advisory Steering Committee will review various modes of transportation and make recommendations to the City Council on the most desired mode of public transit for the Stonecrest area, Explore various recommendations for trails studies in the city of Stonecrest and make recommendations to City Council, explore various options for path studies in the city of Stonecrest and make recommendation to city council, follow the development of the Freight Cluster Study and make reports to city council, And explore recommendations for public transit connectivity to MARTA and other regional mobility sources.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the City of Stonecrest, Georgia, as follows:

## **SECTION I.**

### **ESTABLISHMENT AND AUTHORIZATION OF THE STONECREST TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY STEERING COMMITTEE OF THE CITY OF STONECREST GEORGIA**

1. There is hereby established the Stonecrest Transportation Advisory Steering Committee of the City of Stonecrest, Georgia (the "Stonecrest Transportation Committee").
2. That two or more councilmembers will be a member of the Stonecrest Transportation Committee.
3. That the city manager or her designee shall oversee the meetings of the Stonecrest Transportation Committee and shall be an ex-officio, non-voting member of the Stonecrest Transportation Committee.

## **SECTION II. DUTIES**

1. The Stonecrest Transportation Committee shall study and research City matters of interest and importance related to the City's transportation. The committee shall report recommendations to the City Council regarding resolutions to the most desired modes of Transportation in the areas of; heavy rail, light rail, bus rapid transit, the ATL and mobility distribution strategies.
2. The Committee with further monitor and assist with evaluations of the Freight Cluster Study, The Path Study and The Trails Study initiatives. The Stonecrest Transportation Committee may thereafter, from time to time, offer additional written recommendations to the City Council regarding the Stonecrest Master Transportation Plan.

### **SECTION III. MEMBERSHIP**

1. Except as provided in subsection (2) of this Section III, the Mayor and City Council shall establish qualifications for members of the Stonecrest Transportation Committee. Each committee member shall be nominated by the Mayor Pro Tem and approved by the City Council.
  - a. Membership of the Stonecrest Transportation Committee shall consist of any of the following:
    - i. Residents of the City;
    - ii. Two (2) members of the City Council;
    - iii. Recommendations from the A.T.L. Board;
    - iv. Owners of properties or businesses which are located in Stonecrest or their legal representative,
    - v. Persons or corporations doing a substantial part of their business in Stonecrest;
    - vi. Civic associations or non-profits domicile in the city of Stonecrest.
1. Should the Stonecrest Transportation Committee member move out of the City or no longer be an owner or an officer of a business domiciled in the City, he/she may remain active until the Mayor Pro Tem and City Council appoint his or her replacement.
2. Members must attend two-thirds of the Stonecrest Transportation meetings in a calendar year. Failure to do so warrants removal from the Stonecrest Transportation Committee.

### **SECTION IV. TERMS**

1. Each Stonecrest Transportation Committee member shall serve until the succeeding end of the City's fiscal year. Consecutive terms are permissible.
2. Members filling vacancies shall serve the remainder of the term to which they were appointed. A consecutive appointment is permissible. If a member's term expires those members shall continue to serve until a replacement is appointed or a consecutive appointment is made.
3. Any member may be removed with or without cause by the City Council.

## **SECTION V. COMPENSATION**

Stonecrest Transportation Committee members will serve without compensation.

## **SECTION VI. QUORUM**

A majority of the actual number of Stonecrest Transportation Committee members shall establish a quorum at the initial meeting. The number of members to establish a quorum may thereafter be specified by that Committee's rules of procedure. Any action taken requires a majority of affirmative votes of the quorum present.

## **SECTION VII. GOVERNANCE**

1. The Stonecrest Transportation Committee shall adopt its rules of procedure, which shall be substantially similar to the rules of procedure of the City Council and determine its time of meeting. The date and time of each meeting as well as agenda items to be considered shall be publicized in the same manner as meetings of the Mayor and Council.
2. All meetings at which official action is taken shall be open to the public and all records maintained by the Stonecrest Transportation Committee shall be public records unless expressly exempted by a provision of the State's Open Records Act. The Stonecrest Transportation Committee shall keep minutes of its proceedings, showing the vote of each member upon each question, and records of its examinations and other official actions, all of which shall be filed in the office of the City Clerk. Copies of the minutes shall be sent to the Mayor and each member of the City Council. The minutes of the proceedings shall be a public record. This section shall not be construed as prohibiting closed sessions when permitted by the State Open Meetings and Open Records Acts.
3. Expenditures of the Stonecrest Transportation Committee, if any, shall be within the amounts appropriated for the purposes intended by the Mayor and City Council during the annual budgeting process.

**SECTION VII.  
INITIAL MEMBERS**

The initial members of the Stonecrest Transportation Committee shall be as follows:

1. Erica Williams
2. Alan Burdett
3. Bernard Knight
4. George Turner (Councilmember)
5. Tara Graves (Councilmember)
6. Vacant
7. Vacant
8. Vacant
9. Vacant
10. Vacant
11. City Manager or Designee

**SECTION VIII.**

This Resolution shall be effective immediately upon its approval

**SO RESOLVED** this the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2022.

**CITY OF STONECREST, GEORGIA**

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**George Turner, Jr., Mayor Pro Tem**

**ATTEST:**

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**City Clerk**

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

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**City Attorney**