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2 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE TRANSPORTATION,  
3 INFRASTRUCTURE, PARKS, SPLOST (TIPS) COMMITTEE OF THE CITY OF  
4 STONECREST, GEORGIA

5 AND APPOINTING THE INITIAL MEMBERS; TO REPEAL CONFLICTING  
6 RESOLUTIONS; TO PROVIDE FOR SEVERABILITY; TO PROVIDE AN EFFECTIVE  
7 DATE AND FOR OTHER LAWFUL PURPOSES.

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9 **WHEREAS**, the governing authority of the City is authorized by O.C.G.A. § 36-35-3 to  
10 adopt ordinances and resolutions relating to its property, affairs, and local government; and

11 **WHEREAS**, Mayor and Council for the City of Stonecrest is the governing authority of  
12 the City; and

13 **WHEREAS**, Mayor and City Council are authorized by the City Charter, as amended by  
14 Senate Bill 21, adopted April 1, 2021, to adopt ordinances and resolutions for the administration  
15 of the City and to create and appoint members to Committees, commissions, and committees  
16 concerning the affairs of the City; and

17 **WHEREAS**, the City Charter grants the City the power to exercise and enjoy all other  
18 powers, functions and rights necessary or desirable to promote the general welfare of the City and  
19 its inhabitants; and

20 **WHEREAS**, the city council shall have the power by ordinance or resolution to establish  
21 oversight, policy, and standing committees of the council; and

22 **WHEREAS**, the governing authority of the City has determined that it is in the best interest  
23 of the City and its citizens to establish a standing committee known as the TIPS Committee of the  
24 City of Stonecrest, Georgia; and

**WHEREAS**, it is the governing authority's desire that the TIPS Standing Committee provide a forum for discussing best practices and to advise the City Council regarding best practices with respect to strategies for Transportation, Infrastructure, Parks and SPLOST action planning for Stonecrest and community.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF STONECREST, GEORGIA**, as follows:

**SECTION I**

**ESTABLISHMENT OF THE TRANSPORTATION INFRASTRUCTURE PARKS AND SPLOST (TIPS) STANDING COMMITTEE AND AUTHORIZATION**

In response to the City of Stonecrest's overall values and changing needs of the City's population, Mayor and Council hereby create a TIPS Standing Committee to advise and engage with City Council for such duration as Mayor and Council may desire (hereinafter referred to as the "TIPS Committee"). Creating this Committee is an opportunity for the City to affect substantive improvements to the City's review of comprehensive readiness to move project forward and to transform our City into one defined by the collective pursuit of a high quality of life for all residents.

**SECTION II**

**MISSION AND DUTIES**

The mission of the TIPS Committee is to receive public comments from the citizens of the City of Stonecrest as a part of the deliberation of the comprehensive actions to address the immediate need of improving legislative actions of City Council. The purpose of the TIPS standing Committee is to ensure:

1. To provide as necessary and appropriate advice, reviews, reports and recommendations to the City Manager, Mayor, Mayor Pro Tempore and City Council on comprehensive activity and areas of immediate concern.
2. That lists of projects are equitable, appropriately prioritized, and well distributed throughout the City.
3. That each district of the City is represented and has the opportunity to advocate for improved facilities and resources.

### **SECTION III**

#### **MEMBERSHIP**

The TIPS Committee shall be composed of five (5) members, two (2) of which shall be Councilmembers appointed by the City. The City Council shall establish qualifications for members of the TIPS Committee except that each member must be either a resident of the City or an owner or officer of a business domiciled in the City. Each Committee person shall be nominated and approved by the City Council. The Chair and vice chair shall be councilmembers appointed by the mayor and approved by council. Members must attend two thirds (2/3) of the TIPS Committee meetings in a calendar year. Failure to do so warrants removal from the Committee.

### **SECTION IV**

#### **TERMS**

Each member shall serve for a term of one (1) year. Members filling vacancies shall serve the remainder of the term to which they were appointed. A consecutive appointment is permissible. Members whose terms expire shall continue to serve until a replacement is

appointed or a consecutive appointment is made. Any member may be removed with or without cause by the City Council.

**SECTION V**

**COMPENSATION**

TIPS Committee members will serve without compensation. Reasonable expenses for travel and Committee related expenses may be reimbursed pursuant to a policy to be established by the City Manager and approved by the City Council.

**SECTION VI**

**QUORUM**

A majority of the actual number of TIPS Committee members establishes a quorum. Any action taken requires a majority of affirmative votes of the quorum present.

**SECTION VII**

**GOVERNANCE**

The TIPS Committee may adopt bylaws for the governance of the Committee. The TIPS Advisory Committee shall set its own meeting schedule and establish the meeting agendas. Meetings shall be governed in accordance with the Open Meetings Act found within the Official Code of Georgia Annotated. The TIPS Committee shall meet at least eight days before each regularly scheduled work session of the city council, having one meeting in each one meeting in each month of a calendar year.

All meetings shall be open to the public and all records maintained by the TIPS Committee shall be public records unless expressly exempted by a provision of the Georgia Open Records Act. The TIPS Committee shall keep minutes of its proceedings, showing the vote of each member upon each question, and shall maintain 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. At each meeting, the public shall be granted time for public comment.

The chairperson shall serve for one (1) year or until re-appointed or a successor is appointed. The vice chair shall serve for one (1) year or until re-appointed or a successor is appointed. The Committee shall select one of its members to be the secretary if one is not appointed by staff.

### **SECTION VIII**

#### **INITIAL MEMBERS**

The initial members of the TIPS Committee shall be as follows:

1. Councilmember
2. Councilmember
3. City Manager
4. Finance Director
5. Director of Engineering
6. Mayor Ex-Officio

### **SECTION IX**

#### **ENFORCEMENT AND SEVERABILITY**

(a) It is hereby declared to be the intention of the Mayor and Council that all sections, paragraphs, sentences, clauses, and phrases of this Resolution are or were, upon their enactment, believed by the Mayor and Council to be fully valid, enforceable and constitutional.

(b) It is hereby declared to be the intention of the Mayor and Council that, to the greatest extent allowed by law, each and every section, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this

Resolution is severable from every other section, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this Resolution. It is hereby further declared to be the intention of the Mayor and Council that, to the greatest extent allowed by law, no section, paragraph, sentence, clause, or phrase of this Resolution is mutually dependent upon any other section, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this Resolution.

(c) In the event that any phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph or section of this Resolution shall, for any reason whatsoever, be declared invalid, unconstitutional or otherwise unenforceable by the valid judgment or decree of any court of competent jurisdiction, it is the express intent of the Mayor and Council that such invalidity, unconstitutionality or unenforceability shall, to the greatest extent allowed by law, not render invalid, unconstitutional or otherwise unenforceable any of the remaining phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs or sections of the Resolution and that, to the greatest extent allowed by law, all remaining phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs and sections of the Resolution shall remain valid, constitutional, enforceable, and of full force and effect.

#### **SECTION X**

##### **REPEAL OF CONFLICTING RESOLUTIONS**

All resolutions and parts of resolutions in conflict herewith are hereby expressly repealed.

#### **SECTION XI**

##### **EFFECTIVE DATE OF RESOLUTION**

This Resolution shall become effective upon the date of approval and execution by the Mayor and Council of the City of Stonecrest, Georgia.

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**CITY OF STONECREST, GEORGIA**

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**Jazzmin Cobble, Mayor**

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**Sonya Isom, City Clerk**

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**City Attorney**

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