

STATE OF WISCONSIN

VILLAGE OF GREENDALE

MILWAUKEE COUNTY

ORDINANCE NO. 953

AN ORDINANCE TO ALLOW PLAN COMMISSION MEMBERS TO PARTICIPATE BY AUDIO OR VIDEO CONFERENCE IN THE VILLAGE OF GREENDALE

**WHEREAS**, upon review of the Village Code, the Village Manager recommended certain revisions be made to the Village's meetings ordinance; and

**WHEREAS**, the Village Board finds that the revisions to the meetings ordinance will be a benefit to the health, general welfare, and safety of the residents of the Village of Greendale.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, the Village Board for the Village of Greendale, Milwaukee County, Wisconsin, DOES HEREBY ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

**SECTION 1:** Chapter 1 of the Village of Greendale Municipal Code entitled "General Government," Section 1.31 entitled "Plan Commission" Subsection (4) entitled "Attendance by Audio or Video Conference," is hereby created as follows:

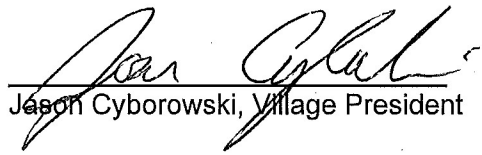
- (4) Attendance by audio or video conference. Audio or video conference appearance at a Plan Commission meeting by a member of the Plan Commission is permitted, subject to the requirements of this subsection. Such member must notify the Village Manager sufficiently prior to the meeting to allow for necessary setup. The Village Manager shall determine on a case-by-case basis whether sufficient time is available for setup, but in every case notice must be provided to the Village Manager at least two hours prior to the meeting. When a member participates by audio or video conferencing devices, the devices shall be placed in the meeting room in a way that allows the member not physically present to hear and be heard by all those who are physically present, including all individuals of the public in attendance. A member participating by audio or video conference shall not be the presiding officer for the meeting, but shall be counted in the quorum, and may vote. There is no limit on the number of times per year a member may appear by audio or video conference; however, such appearance should only be used sparingly, due to exceptional circumstances.

**SECTION 2: SEVERABILITY.** The several sections of this ordinance are declared to be severable. If any section or portion thereof shall be declared by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, unlawful or unenforceable, such decision shall apply only to the specific section or portion thereof directly specified in the decision and shall not affect the validity of any other provisions, sections or portions thereof of the ordinance. The remainder of the ordinance shall remain in full force and effect. Any other ordinances whose terms are in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed as to those terms that conflict.

**SECTION 3: EFFECTIVE DATE.** This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon passage and posting or publication as provided by law.

Adopted by the Village Board of the Village of Greendale on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2023

VILLAGE OF GREENDALE

  
Jason Cyborowski, Village President

ATTEST:

  
Melanie Van Kauwenberg, Village Clerk