

1 **ORDINANCE NO.**

2 **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 20211104-062, RELATING TO**
3 **CITY CODE CHAPTER 2-1 (CITY BOARDS) REGARDING HYBRID**
4 **PARTICIPATION AT MEETINGS OF BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS AND**
5 **THEIR SUBCOMMITTEES AND QUORUM REQUIREMENTS TO CHANGE**
6 **THE EFFECTIVE DATE; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

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8 **BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:**

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10 **PART 1. Findings.**

- 11 (1) Due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, City Council finds that moving up the
12 effective date of Ordinance No. 20211104-062, which amended City Code Chapter
13 2-1 (*City Boards*) to allow for hybrid participation at meetings of boards and
14 commissions and their subcommittees and remove the requirement that a quorum
15 be physically present, better supports those individuals who volunteer to serve on
16 those boards and commissions and allows greater public access to board and
17 commission meetings while ensuring members of the public as well as board
18 members can maintain social distancing when necessary for health and safety
19 reasons.

20 **PART 2.** The effective date of Ordinance No. 20211104-062 is changed from February
21 28, 2022, to the same date as the effective date of this ordinance, except that Ordinance
22 No. 20211104-062 does not apply to any board or commission meetings whose agendas
23 have already been posted at the time of the effective date of this ordinance.

24 **PART 3.** The Council finds that the COVID- 19 pandemic and recent increase to Stage 5
25 of the COVID-19 risk-based guidelines constitutes an emergency. Because of this
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27 emergency, this ordinance takes effect immediately on its passage for the immediate
28 preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.

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30 **PASSED AND APPROVED**

31 _____, 2022

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Steve Adler
Mayor

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38 **APPROVED:** _____

39 Anne L. Morgan
40 City Attorney

ATTEST: _____

Myrna Rios
City Clerk