

**A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN
OF BASALT, COLORADO, AMENDING THE TOWN'S
ELECTRONIC PARTICIPATION POLICY FOR USE IN THE
EVENT OF A LOCAL EMERGENCY DECLARATION.**

**Town of Basalt, Colorado
Resolution No. 16
Series of 2020**

WHEREAS, the Town of Basalt ("Basalt" or the "Town") is a home-rule municipality organized under Article XX of the Colorado Constitution and with the authority of the Basalt Home Rule Charter (the "Charter");

WHEREAS, Section 3.7 of the Basalt Home Rule Charter provides that a majority of Town Council members in office must attend a meeting to form a quorum to conduct business;

WHEREAS, pursuant to C.R.S. § 24-33.5-709, the Town Manager and Town Council have authority to declare a local disaster or emergency;

WHEREAS, Town government must continue to operate during a local disaster or emergency, while taking measures to protect the health and welfare of its employees and officials;

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 5, Series of 2020, the Town Council adopted an Emergency Electronic Participation Policy (the "Policy") for use during times of Local Emergency Declaration;

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 6, Series of 2020, the Town Council declared a Local Disaster Emergency related to the COVID-19 pandemic, which continues;

WHEREAS, in order to more efficiently and effectively conduct meetings, the Town Council wishes to amend the Policy to allow for a "voice vote" in lieu of a "roll call" vote in certain instances, and to make changes to ensure compliance with Colorado's Open Meetings Law during "virtual" meetings, among other changes; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council has determined that it is in the best interest of the public health, welfare, and safety of the residents of the Town of Basalt to adopt the amendments to the Policy.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF BASALT, COLORADO, THAT:

Section 1. Recitals. The above recitals are hereby incorporated as findings by the Town Council of the Town of Basalt.

Section 2. Electronic Participation Policy. The Town Council of the Town of Basalt hereby adopts the Emergency Electronic Participation Policy, attached hereto as **Exhibit A**. This Policy shall replace in its entirety the Electronic Participation Policy adopted by Resolution No. 5, Series of 2020 and shall take immediate effect.

Section 3. Use. The Emergency Electronic Participation Policy adopted herein shall only apply upon the adoption of a resolution by the Basalt Town Council declaring a local disaster emergency or the Town Manager declaring a local disaster emergency pursuant to Section 24-33.5-709 of the Colorado Revised Statutes.


READ AND ADOPTED by a vote of 7 to 0 this 12th day of May
2020.

TOWN OF BASALT, COLORADO



William G. Kane, Mayor

ATTEST:



Pamela K. Schilling, Town Clerk

