EAST FALLOWFIELD TOWNSHIP CHESTER COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA RESOLUTION NO. 2021-17

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF EAST FALLOWFIELD, CHESTER COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, RECOMMENDING THAT THE PENNSYLVANIA GENERAL ASSEMBLY ADOPT LEGISLATION TO PERMIT THE USE OF VIRTUAL MEETING PLATFORMS FOR PUBLIC MEETINGS HELD BY MUNICIPALITIES.

WHEREAS, municipalities throughout the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania have needed to establish safety measures associated with the COVID-19 pandemic, which have included adapting to new methods of conducting regular public meetings to transact municipal business; and

WHEREAS, municipalities have utilized available virtual meeting platforms as permitted under legislation enacted by the Pennsylvania General Assembly in order to ensure that municipal business may be conducted in a manner to protect the community from the COVID-19 pandemic, while also allowing for constituent participation; and

WHEREAS, the use of these platforms has resulted in an increased level of flexibility in the ability to conduct municipal business; and

WHEREAS, the use of these platforms has resulted in an increased level of constituent engagement in the functions of municipal government; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of East Fallowfield Township believes that maintaining the ability to utilize these platforms on a permanent basis would benefit the municipality and the community.

NOW THEREFORE, **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Supervisors of Township of East Fallowfield requests that the Pennsylvania General Assembly consider legislation that would permit the use of virtual meeting platforms to conduct public meetings after the end of the COVID-19 pandemic.

RESOLVED this 25th day of May 2021, by the East Fallowfield Township Board of Supervisors, Chester County, Pennsylvania.

	BOARD OF SUPERVISORS EAST FALLOWFIELD TOWNSHIP Wilson T. Lambert, Jr., Chairman Joe Heffern, Vice Chairman
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Scott Swichar, Township Manager/Secretary