

## OFFICE OF THE MAYOR VILLAGE OF RIVERDALE

## **EXECUTIVE MEMORANDUM**

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COVID-19/Cancellation of Public Meeting

In response to the guidance provided by Illinois Governor, JB Pritzker's, Executive Order 2020-07, and the need to protect the health safety and welfare of the general public, the Village of Riverdale has deemed it necessary to cancel certain public meetings, as detailed below. On March 16, 2020, Governor JB Pritzker, in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, issued Executive Order 2020-7 ("Executive Order"). The purpose of the Executive Order was to prevent the spread of COVID-19. A specific step taken by the Executive Order was to encourage municipalities to suspend consideration of public business during the effective period of the Executive Order.

The Illinois Attorney General has indicated that public bodies may choose to postpone or cancel public meetings. The Attorney General has stated that a public body does not have critical issues that must be addressed because time is of the essence, cancelling or postponing public meetings may be prudent during the COVID-19 outbreak, rather than holding meetings that could pose a risk of danger to the public. If a municipality chooses to cancel meetings then the Attorney General has directed that the public body shall place the cancellation notice on its website, at the principal office of the public body, and at the meeting location.

Accordingly, all scheduled board and commission meetings, including those for the Village Board of Trustees, Zoning Board of Appeals, Board of Fire and Police Commissioners, Civil Service Commission, Riverdale Police Pension Board, Riverdale Fire Pension Board, Foreign Fire Tax Board, and Local Adjudication Hearing dates are canceled until further notice.

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