

**DETERMINATION REGARDING IN-PERSON VILLAGE BOARD MEETINGS  
VILLAGE OF KENILWORTH, ILLINOIS  
JULY 16, 2020**

**WHEREAS**, on March 9, 2020, Governor J.B. Pritzker, declared all counties in the State of Illinois as a disaster area in response to the outbreak of COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 16, 2020, the Governor issued Executive Order 2020-07, which, among other things, suspended certain provisions of the Illinois Open Meetings Act in order to allow public bodies to hold open meetings virtually, without a quorum present in any one location; and

**WHEREAS**, Executive Order 2020-07 was extended by subsequent Executive Orders issued by the Governor; and

**WHEREAS**, in accordance with the Governor's Executive Orders, thousands of Illinois public bodies held public meetings virtually using audio or video conferencing; and

**WHEREAS**, on May 23, 2020, both houses of the Illinois General Assembly passed Senate Bill 2135, which amended the Illinois Open Meetings Act ("*OMA*") to add a new Section 7(e); and

**WHEREAS**, new Section 7(e) of the OMA allows public bodies to hold entirely virtual public meetings without a quorum physically present in any one location under certain circumstances and pursuant to certain conditions; and

**WHEREAS**, on May 29, 2020, in advance of his anticipated approval of Senate Bill 2135, the Governor issued a Disaster Proclamation that declared in-person attendance at public meetings of more than ten people at the regular public meeting location to be not feasible, in accordance with Section 7(e)(4) of the OMA (as contained in Senate Bill 2135); and

**WHEREAS**, on June 12, 2020, the Governor signed Senate Bill 2135 (now known as Public Act 101-0640), which took effect immediately;

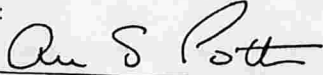
**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Ann Potter, President of the Village of Kenilworth, in consideration of the recitals set forth above and pursuant to Section 7(e)(2) of the OMA, 5 ILCS 120/7(e)(2), have determined that due to the on-going emergency associated with the COVID-19 pandemic, in-person meetings of the Village Board are not practical or prudent at this time and until further notice.

Accordingly, the July 20, 2020 meeting of the Village Board will be conducted virtually. Live audio and a video feed of the meeting will be available. Please check the Village's website for information including notice of the meeting, the locations for audio and video of the meeting, and the opportunity to provide public comment. In addition, the meeting agenda also will include this information. In accordance with Section 7(e)(5) of the OMA, the Village Manager will be present in the Council Chambers for the Village Board meeting.

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SIGNED AND SEALED with the official seal of the Village of Kenilworth on this 17th day of July, 2020.

By:



Ann Potter  
President  
Village of Kenilworth



Deputy Village Clerk (Seal)

