



City of Charles Town

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RESOLUTION

A Resolution Extending the Limited Use of Designated Curbside Pickup Signs within the Charles Town Downtown Parking District

WHEREAS, on March 16, 2020, Governor Jim Justice declared a state of emergency for all counties in West Virginia to allow agencies to coordinate and create necessary measures to prepare for and respond to the outbreak of a respiratory disease caused by a novel coronavirus known as COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on March 18, 2020, the City of Charles Town, in anticipation of Governor Justice's plan to issue a stay-at-home Executive Order restricting many downtown businesses from providing traditional goods and services to their customers, established designated temporary curbside pickup areas and signage within the Charles Town Parking District (Parking District) to facilitate local businesses who resolved to provide customers with remote ordering and pickup services; and

WHEREAS, on April 27, 2020 Governor Justice released guidance entitled *West Virginia Strong – The Comeback*, a plan for reopening West Virginia's economy and setting the stage for lifting some of the public gathering restrictions imposed in his previous Executive Orders; and

WHEREAS, the execution of this plan and the more recent lifting of COVID restrictions has enabled employers to reopen their businesses for expanded services, but many still face challenges that impact their sustainability, primarily retail and food establishments, who must rely on customer orders and pickup services to remain economically viable; and

WHEREAS, not only have the designated curbside pickup signs provided convenience and safety for customers, they have also encouraged critical ongoing support of our downtown businesses and enabled them to compete with other businesses outside the downtown area where curbside pickup access is readily available; and

WHEREAS, on July 6, 2020 City Council initially approved a resolution authorizing limited, ongoing use of curbside pickup signs within the Parking District through September 30, 2020, extended that benefit until December 31, 2020 with a subsequent resolution, and extended it once more through April 2, 2021 with another resolution.

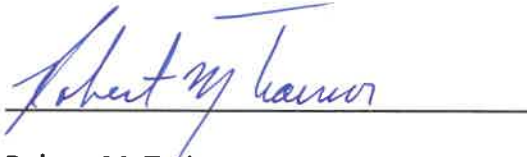
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that City Council authorizes an extension of the limited, ongoing use of curbside pickup signs within the Parking District through September 3, 2021 to assist businesses in safely meeting the ongoing needs of customers and enabling them to compete with other businesses that will continue to provide this service; and

NOW, THEREFORE LET IT BE FURTHER RESOLVED, that the total number of designated curbside pickup signs within the Parking District, issued under this resolution, is limited to not more than 20, which the City Manager, Police Chief, and Downtown Coordinator will assign; and

NOW, THEREFORE LET IT BE FURTHER RESOLVED, that any business assigned a curbside pickup sign will commit to display the sign only during hours of operation, remove the sign from the street when not in use, and not use the sign for any purpose other than to provide curbside pickup services for their customers; and

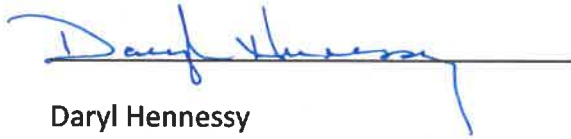
NOW, THEREFORE LET IT BE FURTHER RESOLVED, that City Council realizes that the provisions of this Resolution may necessitate revision at a future date.

Adopted the 15th day of MARCH, 2021.



Robert M. Trainor
Mayor

Attest:



Daryl Hennessy
City Manager/Clerk