

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA) AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE TO
) TEMPORARILY SUSPEND THE NORMAL
) OPERATING PROCEDURES OF ESTILL TOWN
) COUNCIL MEETINGS AND TO AUTHORIZE
) THE ESTILL TOWN ADMINISTRATOR TO
COUNTY OF HAMPTON) DEVELOP AND ENACT A PLAN IN ORDER TO
) ENSURE CONTINUITY IN THE DELIVERY OF
) GOVERNMENT SERVICES IN LIGHT OF THE
) COVID-19 OUTBREAK; AND MATTERS
) RELATED THERETO
TOWN OF ESTILL)

WHEREAS, it is well recognized that SARS-CoV-2, the virus that causes the disease COVID-19, presents a public health concern that requires extraordinary protective measures and vigilance; and

WHEREAS, these matters have taken many forms across the nation including travel bans, school closures, individual quarantines, and cancellation of major events, among other measures; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Estill is working with other government agencies in an effort to prevent the spread of disease; and

WHEREAS, Section 5-7-250 of the South Carolina Code of Laws empowers Council to enact emergency ordinances affecting life, health, or safety; and

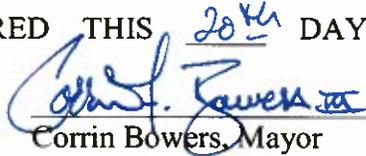
WHEREAS, in light of the foregoing, Estill Town Council deems it proper and necessary to adopt this emergency ordinance in order to: (a) temporarily suspend the normal operating procedures of Estill Town Council; (b) to authorize the Estill Town Administrator to develop and enact a plan in order to ensure continuity in the delivery of government services in light of the

COVID-19 outbreak; and (c) authorize the Town of Estill Town Administrator to revoke special events permits for a temporary period;

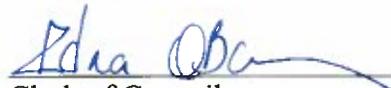
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Town Council of the Municipality of Estill, in Council assembled, that:

1. The Town of Estill temporarily suspends the normal operating procedures of Town Council meetings and hereby allows for the Mayor and Councilmembers to remotely participate in voting and operational procedures by telephone or other means of electronic communication provided that the provisions of the South Carolina Freedom of Information Act are complied with.
2. All deadlines imposed by Town Ordinance, applicable to the municipality or applicant, shall be suspended, during this temporary period.
3. The Town Administrator is authorized to develop and enact a plan in order to ensure continuity in the delivery of government services in light of the COVID-19 outbreak.
4. The Town Administrator is authorized to cancel and revoke any special events permits issued prior to the date of this ordinance for events taking place until April 30, 2020.
5. This emergency ordinance shall be terminated by the issuance of another ordinance or shall automatically expire on the 61st day after enactment of this ordinance, whichever date is earlier.

SIGNED, SEALED AND DELIVERED THIS 20th DAY OF MARCH, 2020.


Corrin Bowers, Mayor

ATTEST:


Clerk of Council

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

J. Martin Harvey, Town Attorney
Introduced: March 20, 2020
Final Reading: March 20, 2020