

STATE OF GEORGIA  
COUNTY OF CLAYTON

ORDINANCE NO. 2016 - 184

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE *CODE OF CLAYTON COUNTY, GEORGIA*, AS AMENDED, SPECIFICALLY TO AMEND PART I “RELATED LAWS PERTAINING TO CLAYTON COUNTY”, CHAPTER 2 “ADMINISTRATION”, ARTICLE II “BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS”, SECTION 2-35 “AGENDA, DUTIES OF THE PRESIDING OFFICER, MINUTES, QUORUM, PUBLIC COMMENT”, SECTION 2-35-01 “AGENDA”; TO AMEND PART I “RELATED LAWS PERTAINING TO CLAYTON COUNTY”, CHAPTER 2 “ADMINISTRATION”, ARTICLE II “BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS”, SECTION 2-36 “PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURES OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS”, SECTION 2-36-01 “DEBATE”; TO REPEAL CONFLICTING LAWS, ORDINANCES, AND RESOLUTIONS; TO PROVIDE FOR SEVERABILITY; TO PROVIDE FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS ORDINANCE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF  
CLAYTON COUNTY AND IT IS HEREBY ORDAINED

**Section 1.** The *CODE OF CLAYTON COUNTY, GEORGIA*, as amended, is hereby further amended by amending Part I “Related Laws Pertaining To Clayton County”, Chapter 2 “Administration”, Article II “Board of Commissioners”, Section 2-35 “Agenda, duties of the presiding officer, minutes, quorum, public comment”, Section 2-35-01 “Agenda” to read as follows:

“The clerk of the board of commissioners shall prepare an agenda for each regular and called meeting of the board. The regular monthly meetings shall consist of two business meetings.”

**Section 2.** The *CODE OF CLAYTON COUNTY, GEORGIA*, as amended, is hereby further amended by amending Part I “Related Laws Pertaining To Clayton County”, Chapter 2 “Administration”, Article II “Board Of Commissioners”, Section 2-35 “Agenda, duties of the presiding officer, minutes, quorum, public comment”, Section 2-35-01 “Agenda”, subsection (b) “Department heads wishing to place an item on the agenda”, by deleting subsection (b) and replacing it with a new subsection (b) to read as follows:

“(b) *Department heads wishing to place an item on the agenda.* Any department head may submit an item to the chief operating officer for consideration as an agenda item. Such items shall be reviewed by the chief operating officer to insure that the item is consistent with the policies and direction of the board of commissioners, and that any required budgetary impact is reviewed and approved by the chief financial officer. Such items shall also be reviewed and approved by the staff attorney’s office, except for budget items submitted by the finance department. If approved, the chief operating officer will notify the clerk and supply supporting documents by close of business on the Wednesday before the next meeting. Items submitted after that time will be placed on the agenda for the meeting immediately following the next meeting.”

**Section 3.** The *CODE OF CLAYTON COUNTY, GEORGIA*, as amended, is hereby further amended by amending Part I “Related Laws Pertaining To Clayton County”, Chapter 2 “Administration”, Article II “Board of Commissioners”, Section 2-36 “Parliamentary Procedures of the Board Of Commissioners”, Section 2-36-01 “Debate”, by deleting Section 2-36-01 in its entirety and replacing it with a new Section 2-36-01 to read as follows:

“*Section 2-36-02. Debate.* After the main motion is recognized by the chair, the board shall debate the motion. The debate shall be managed by the chairman in a manner that is fair to all members of the board. Specifically, every commissioner will be afforded an opportunity to speak during debate of any item, commissioners shall indicate the desire to speak and the chairman shall recognize said commissioner. Debate may end after every commissioner, who desires to speak, has been afforded an opportunity to speak on a topic of debate.

During the course of debate, commissioners may introduce subsidiary motions that propose that the board take a particular action on a motion (section 2-05). There are two classes of subsidiary motions: Debatable subsidiary motions and un-debatable subsidiary motions. Debatable subsidiary motions consist of motions to postpone indefinitely, amend, refer to committee, and postpone to a time certain. Debatable

subsidiary motions require a second before they can be voted on or debated. There are three un-debatable subsidiary motions: limit debate, vote immediately, and lay on the table. They require a second and cannot be debated.

Commissioners may also introduce privileged motions (section 2-06). Privileged motions facilitate the running of the meeting and can be introduced during the course of debate. Privileged motions consist of a motion to raise a question of privilege and motions to recess and adjourn. The motions to recess and adjourn require a second. Debate is not allowed on privileged motions.”

**Section 4.** All laws, ordinances and resolutions, or parts thereof, which conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed.

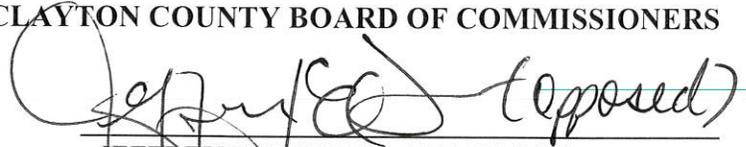
**Section 5.** If any part of this Ordinance shall be declared unconstitutional by the valid judgment of any court of competent jurisdiction, such unconstitutionality shall not affect the remainder of this enactment, and such remainder shall remain in full force and effect.

**Section 6.** This Ordinance shall become effective on immediately upon its approval by the Board of Commissioners.

SO ORDAINED, this the 20<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2016.

[signatures on the following page]

CLAYTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

 (opposed)

JEFFREY E. TURNER, CHAIRMAN



SONNA GREGORY, VICE CHAIRMAN



MICHAEL EDMONDSON, COMMISSIONER



GAIL B. HAMBRICK, COMMISSIONER

 (opposed)

SHANA M. ROOKS, COMMISSIONER

ATTEST:



SANDRA T. DAVIS, CLERK