

Resolution to Activate the Downtown Development Authority of the City of Blue Ridge

A RESOLUTION TO DECLARE THE NEED FOR A DOWNTOWN DEVELOPEMNT AUTHORITY TO FUNCTION IN THE CITY OF BLUE RIDGE, GEORGIA, PURSUANT TO THE PROVISION OF THE DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITIES LAW O.C.G.A. 36-42; TO APPOINT A BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR THE DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY; TO DESIGNATE A DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMET AREA; TO PROVIDE FOR FILING WITH THE SECRETARY OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA OF A COPY OF THIS RESOLUTION; TO REPEAL CONFLICTING RESOLUTIONS; TO PROVIDE FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES:

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, it has been determined by the Mayor and Council of the City of Blue Ridge; Georgia (the "City") that there is a need in the City for the revitalization and redevelopment of the central business district of the City to develop and promote for the public good and general welfare trade, commerce, industry and employment opportunities and to promote the general welfare of the State of Georgia by creating a climate favorable to the location of new industry, trade and commerce and the development of existing industry, trade and commerce within the City; and

WHEREAS, it has been determined by the Mayor and Council of the City that revitalization and redevelopment of the central business district of the City under the Downtown Development Authority's Law (1981 GA. Laws p.1744; O.C.G.A. 36-42 will develop and promote for the public good and general welfare trade, commerce, industry and employment opportunities and will promote the general welfare of the State of Georgia; and

WHEREAS, it has been determined by the Mayor and Council of the City that it is in the public interest and is vital to the public welfare of the people of the City and of the people of the State of Georgia to revitalize and redevelopment the central business district of the City; and

WHEREAS, the Downtown Development Authority Law creates in and for each municipal corporation in the State of Georgia a downtown development authority for the purpose of revitalizing and redeveloping the central business district of such municipal corporation and promoting for the public good and general welfare, trade, commerce, industry and employment opportunities and promoting the general welfare of the State of Georgia; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the City have determined that it is desirable and necessary that the Downtown Development Authority of the City be activated, pursuant to the Downtown Development Authorities Law, in order to fulfill the needs expressed herein;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RES OLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the City, and it is hereby resolved by the same, that there is hereby determined and declared to be a need for a Downtown Development Authority as more fully described and defined in the Downtown Development Authorities Law to function in the City.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that there is hereby activated in the City the public body corporate and politic known as the "Downtown Development Authority of the City of Blue Ridge" which was created upon the adoption and approval of the Downtown Development Authorities Law.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that there are hereby appointed as members of the first Board of Directors of the Downtown Development Authority of the City the following named person, each of whom shall be:

Names	Term of Office
_____	Six Years
_____	Six Years
_____	Six Years
_____	Four Years
_____	Four Years
_____	Two Years
_____	Two Years

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that commencing with the date of adoption of this resolution each of the persons named above as directors shall serve in such capacity for the number of years set forth opposite is or her respective name, however, that the terms shall be four years for those directors appointed or reappointed on or after July 1, 1994. The term of a director who is also a member of the governing body of a municipal corporation shall end when such director is no longer a member of the governing body of the municipal corporation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Directors hereinbefore elected shall organize itself, carry out its duties and responsibilities and exercise its powers and prerogatives in accordance with the terms and provision of the Downtown Development Authorities Law as it now exists and as it might hereafter be amended or modified.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the downtown development area shall be that geographical area described in Exhibit A, attached hereto and made a part hereof by reference, which area, in the judgment of the Mayor and Council of the City, constitutes the central business district of the City as contemplated by the Downtown Development Authorities Law.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City shall furnish promptly to the Secretary of State of the State of Georgia a certified copy of this resolution in compliance with the provisions of the Downtown Development Authorities Law.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that any and all resolutions in conflict with this resolution be and the same are hereby repealed.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution shall be effective January 1, 2019, upon its adoption by the Mayor and Council of the City, and from and after such adoption the Downtown Development Authority of the City shall be deemed to be created and activated.

Adopted and Approved this 11th day of December 2018.

Mayor and Council of the City of Blue Ridge

Attest:

City Clerk