

COUNTY OF FULTON

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 2.14 OF ARTICLE 2
OF THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF SANDY SPRINGS, GEORGIA
SO AS TO ALLOW FOR THE APPROVAL AND PASSAGE OF A RESOLUTION
OR ORDINANCE BY THE CITY COUNCIL AFTER THE TITLE IS READ
AT THE TIME THE RESOLUTION OR ORDINANCE IS OFFERED**

WHEREAS, Section 2.14 of Article 2 of the Charter of the City of Sandy Springs provides for every proposed Ordinance and Resolution to be introduced in writing; gives the City Council the authority to approve, disapprove, or amend; and currently requires two separate readings of the title of a proposed Ordinance at two City Council Meetings in order for the Ordinance to be passed; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and the City Council have determined that it would be of greater benefit to the City and its residents to authorize the City Council to approve and allow a Resolution or an Ordinance to be passed after the reading of the title of the Resolution or the Ordinance at the time it is offered; and

WHEREAS, Article IX, Section II, Paragraph II of the Constitution of the State of Georgia, entitled Home Rule for Municipalities, allows the General Assembly of the State of Georgia to provide by law for the self-government of municipalities, which the General Assembly has done with The Municipal Home Rule Act of 1965, O.C.G.A. §36-35-1 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, O.C.G.A. §36-35-3 allows municipal charters to be amended by ordinances duly adopted at two regular consecutive meetings of the municipal governing authority, not less than seven nor more than 60 days apart; and

WHEREAS, a Resolution was approved and adopted on August 15, 2006, by the City Council while in regular session to amend the Charter by Ordinance as set forth above and pursuant to O.C.G.A. §36-35-3 the required notice has been published in the Fulton County Daily Report once a week for three weeks prior to its final adoption, and a copy of the proposed amendment has been on file in the Office of the Clerk of Sandy Springs and in the Office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of Fulton County, Georgia, all as required by law; and

WHEREAS, the required notice will have been published within the statutory period of 60 days immediately preceding the final adoption of this Ordinance amending the Charter; and

WHEREAS, the title of this Ordinance shall have been read at two consecutive City Council meetings not less than 7 nor more than 60 days apart as required by Georgia law;

NOW, THEREFORE, in accordance with O.C.G.A. §36-35-3 the Mayor and City Council of the City of Sandy Springs, Georgia, pursuant to their authority, do hereby adopt this Ordinance so that the Charter of the City of Sandy Springs is hereby amended by deleting in its entirety the current Section 2.14 and substituting the following as Section 2.14, amended, which shall henceforth read as follows:

"Section 2.14 Ordinance Form; Procedures

- (a) **Every proposed ordinance and resolution shall be introduced in writing, and the City Council shall have the authority to approve, disapprove, or amend the same. After the title**

of any proposed resolution or ordinance is read at a City Council meeting, it may be approved and passed at such time by the City Council.”

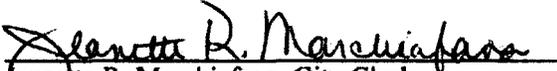
SO ORDAINED this 19th day of September, 2006.

Approved:



Eva Galambos, Mayor

Attest:



Jeanette R. Marchiafava, City Clerk
(Seal)

First Reading on September 5, 2006

Second Reading on September 19, 2006

