

**AN ORDINANCE**

**AN ORDINANCE TO REQUIRE ALL GREENVILLE COUNTY COUNCIL MEETINGS AND COMMITTEE MEETINGS TO BE BROADCAST TO THE PUBLIC.**

**WHEREAS**, Greenville County Council finds that ensuring the public broadcast of Greenville County Council meetings and Greenville County Council Committee meetings would increase transparency and confidence in our local government; and

**WHEREAS**, the public broadcast of these meetings would also enable citizens who may find it difficult to travel to the meeting site to easily observe our government in action; and

**WHEREAS**, ensuring the entire meeting is broadcast to the public safeguards transparency and provides greater understanding and awareness of local government.

**Section 1. County Council Meetings to be Broadcast to the Public**

Audio and video broadcast of all Greenville County Council meetings, including standing or special committee meetings, shall be available for the public to view on the Greenville County website or other available source in real time, unless the meeting is otherwise closed to the public pursuant to law (for example, an executive session).

No Greenville County Council meeting or a standing or special committee meeting shall take place unless the meeting has been noticed under Council Rules and is broadcast in real time on the Greenville County website or other available source.

If a technical (or other) problem causes the audio or video broadcast of a Greenville County Council meeting or a standing or special committee meeting on the County website to end, the meeting must stop or adjourn until the problem has been resolved and the broadcast continues.

The recording of meetings will be available within 30 days of the meeting and accessible on the County Website or other available source for a minimum of 15 years.

**Section 2. Effective Date:** This ordinance takes effect upon adoption.

**DONE IN REGULAR MEETING THIS \_\_\_\_ DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_, 2023.**

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Dan Tripp, Chairman  
Greenville County Council

ATTEST:

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Regina McCaskill  
Clerk to Council

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Joseph M. Kernell  
County Administrator

