

Franklin County Tourism Development Authority Bylaws

ARTICLE 1: Name. The name of this authority shall be the Franklin County Tourism Development Authority.

ARTICLE 2: Authorization. The authority shall be established under the authority of North Carolina Senate Bill 369, as ratified in the 2005 Session of the North Carolina General Assembly.

ARTICLE 3: Purpose. To promote tourism in Franklin County and begin building a stronger economic base for the creation of job opportunities specific to tourism-related activities and endeavors.

ARTICLE 4: Membership.

Section 1. The authority shall consist of nine members. Seven of the nine shall be appointed by the Franklin County Board of Commissioners with each commissioner having one appointment to the authority. Three of the seven shall be affiliated with businesses actively involved in collecting the occupancy tax, and four shall be persons generally involved in cultural, educational, and/or hospitality industries. The Franklin County Finance Officer and the Franklin County Economic Development Director or his/her designee shall serve as ex-officio members of the authority.

Section 2. Members nominated by commissioners shall serve co-terminus to the commissioners' terms of office, and each commissioner nominee serves at the pleasure of the board.

Section 3. All members shall serve without compensation.

ARTICLE 4: Voting. All authority members, including ex-officio members, have one vote.

ARTICLE 5: Quorum. Five of the authority members shall be necessary to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. Any question coming before the authority shall be determined by a majority of those present, unless otherwise provided herein.

ARTICLE 6: Officers.

Section 1. The officers of the authority shall be a chairperson, a vice chairperson, secretary, and treasurer. These officers shall perform the duties prescribed by the bylaws and shall be elected annually, with the exception of the treasurer, by the members of the authority at its first regularly scheduled meeting of the new administrative year. The treasurer shall be the duly named Franklin County Finance Officer and shall serve perpetually.

Section 2. The chairperson shall preside at all meetings of the authority and shall supervise the works of the authority in accordance with the bylaws. The chairperson shall serve for one year and may succeed him or herself by reelection of the authority members.

Section 3. The vice chairperson shall act for the authority in the absence of the chairperson.

Section 4. The secretary shall keep a correct record of all meetings of the authority.

Section 5. The treasurer shall disburse funds upon approval of the authority, shall keep accurate records of financial transactions in accordance with the North Carolina Fiscal Control Act, and shall have financial records available and update for review at each regularly scheduled meeting of the authority.

ARTICLE 7: Signature. The treasurer and the county manager have the authority to cosign checks, and all checks issued on behalf of the authority and the county shall be preaudited and have two signatures.

ARTICLE 8: Meetings.

Section 1. The authority shall meet at least six times per year including a meeting in July of each year for the purpose of electing officers.

Section 2. The chairperson or vice chairperson may call for special meetings with a 48 hour notice to all members required.

Section 3. All meetings shall be open to the public as specified by the laws of North Carolina.

ARTICLE 9: Reports. The treasurer shall report quarterly and at the close of the fiscal year to the Franklin County Board of Commissioners on receipts and expenditures for the preceding quarter and for the year in such detail as the board may require.

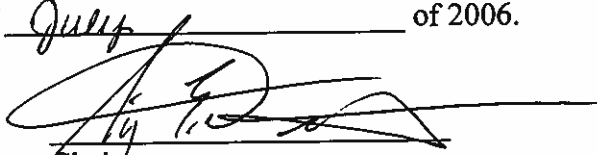
ARTICLE 10: Committees. The chairperson shall have the power to appoint such committees as deemed appropriate.

ARTICLE 11: Administrative Year. The administrative year of the authority shall begin as of July 1 and end as of June 30 of the following year so as to run concurrently with the fiscal year of Franklin County.

ARTICLE 12: Amendments. The bylaws may be amended at any meeting of the authority by a majority of those members present, provided the authority members have been notified of proposed amendment not less than five days prior to the scheduled

meeting. However, such amended bylaws shall not be put into effect until ratified by the Franklin County Board of Commissioners.

ADOPTED this the 17 day of July of 2006.


Chairperson

Attested:

Kristen M King
Secretary

