

in other districts. Such zoning ordinances may provide that the zoning board of appeals may, in appropriate cases and subject to appropriate principles, standards, rules, conditions, and safeguards set forth in the ordinance, make special exceptions to the terms of the zoning regulations in harmony with their general purpose and intent. Such ordinances may provide that the zoning board of appeals may authorize variances from the strict application of the regulations in such situations and subject to such limitations as may be set forth in the ordinance. Before authorizing any variances or special exceptions to the zoning ordinances or regulations, the Zoning Board of Appeals shall give notice of a public hearing at which any interested persons may be heard concerning the proposed variance or special exception by an advertisement published at least ten days prior to said public hearing in one or more newspapers of general circulation in the City of Frederick.

HEARING ON ZONING ORDINANCE

185. Before passing any zoning ordinance or any amendments thereto, the board of aldermen shall give at least ten days notice in some newspaper published in the City of Frederick of a public hearing to be held on the zoning ordinance or amendments thereto.

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

186. There shall be a zoning board of appeals which shall consist of five members to be appointed by the mayor with the advice and consent of the board of aldermen for terms of four years. The members of the board of zoning appeals in office at the time this charter becomes effective shall serve until the expiration of their present terms of office. Any member of the zoning board of appeals may be removed by the board of aldermen for cause after being given a written copy of the charges against him and a public hearing thereon. Any vacancy shall be filled by the mayor with the advice and consent of the board of aldermen for the remainder of the unexpired term. The compensation of members of the zoning board of appeals shall be determined by the board of aldermen.

PROCEDURE

187. All meetings of the zoning board of appeals shall be held at the call of the chairman, who shall be designated by the mayor with the advice and consent of the board of aldermen, and at such other times as the zoning board of