

fense shall not be a bar to a conviction for a continuation of the offense subsequent to the first or any succeeding conviction.

ARTICLE XVIII CHARTER AMENDMENTS

AUTHORIZED

213. Amendments to this charter may be made as hereinafter provided, and such amendments shall have the same force of law as if they had been enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Maryland. The word "amendments" as used in this article shall include alterations and additions.

PROPOSAL BY BOARD OF ALDERMEN

214. Amendments may be proposed by a favorable majority vote of all the members of the board of aldermen. The mayor shall not have the power to veto an amendment ordinance. The ordinance proposing an amendment shall provide for an expression of the will of the qualified voters at a special or the next succeeding general election. Special charter amendment elections shall be administered as other elections. Charter amendments shall enact a new section or sections, or they shall repeal a section or sections of the charter and re-enact the same as amended.

PROPOSAL BY CHARTER COMMISSION

215. The board of aldermen may by ordinance authorize and direct the mayor to appoint a charter commission to amend this charter or propose a new charter. Any charter amendment or new charter proposed by a duly constituted charter commission shall be submitted by the board of aldermen, without change or modification, to the qualified voters of the City of Frederick at a special election before the next succeeding regular city election or at the next succeeding regular city election; provided, that such charter amendment or new charter shall be submitted to the board of aldermen at least sixty days before any regular city election at which such amendment or new charter is to be submitted to the qualified voters of the city.

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216. The board of aldermen shall authorize, at city expense, an advertisement of any charter amendment or