

(B) PROVIDED, HOWEVER, THAT IF THE LEGISLATIVE BODY SHALL APPROVE OF THE AMENDMENT OR AMENDMENTS PROVIDED FOR IN THE PETITION PRESENTED TO IT UNDER SUB-SECTION (A) ABOVE, IT SHALL HAVE THE RIGHT BY RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THE AMENDMENT OR AMENDMENTS THEREBY PROPOSED AND TO PROCEED THEREAFTER IN THE SAME MANNER AS IF THE AMENDMENT OR AMENDMENTS HAD BEEN INITIATED BY SUCH LEGISLATIVE BODY AND IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 13 OF THIS ARTICLE.

15. (*Posting and Publication.*) *The mayor or other chief executive officer of the municipal corporation, by whatever name known, shall give notice by posting and publication of any submission of a proposed charter amendment to the voters thereof. For not less than the four weeks immediately preceding the election at which the question is to be submitted, a complete and exact copy of the wording of the proposed amendment or amendments shall be posted at the Town Hall or other main municipal building or in a public place. On the day of the election, a similar copy shall be posted at the place or places for voting. Or, in lieu of such posting, there shall be posted a statement that, if the amendment is adopted, the municipal corporation shall be governed under and according to the municipal corporation charter contained in Article 23B of the Annotated Code of Maryland, title "Municipal Corporation Charter", and that this municipal corporation charter comprises the proposed amendment. Notice of the election, together with a fair summary of the proposed amendment or amendments, shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the municipal corporation, not less than once in each of the four weeks immediately preceding the election.*

16. (*Referendum.*) (a) *On the day and during the hours specified for any referendum, the proposed charter amendment or amendments shall be submitted to the ~~registered~~ QUALIFIED voters of the municipal corporation. The official or officials thereof whose duty it is to arrange for and conduct the regular municipal elections shall perform the same duties so far as relevant to the referendum election on the proposed charter amendment or amendments. It is the intent of this section that the referendum election shall be conducted generally according to the procedures and practices observed for regular municipal elections, except as specifically or necessarily modified by the provisions of this sub-heading. The wording specified by the legislative body of the municipal corporation, in the resolution providing for a referendum on the charter amendment or amendments, shall be placed on the ballots or voting machines used at the referendum election. The expenses of the referendum election shall be defrayed by the municipal corporation.*

(b) *The official or officials charged with the duty to arrange for and conduct the referendum, promptly following the closing of the polls, shall tally the results thereof, and shall forthwith certify the results of the referendum to the mayor or other chief executive officer of the municipal corporation.*

(c) *If a majority of those who vote on any question so submitted to the voters of the municipal corporation shall cast their votes in favor of the proposed charter amendment or amendments, the mayor*