

corporation, the new matter, if any, to be added to the charter shall be indicated by being underscored or in italics and all matter to be eliminated from the existing charter, if any, shall be indicated in its proper place by enclosing such matter in double parentheses or in bold-face brackets. Where the subject matter consists of an entirely new section or sections the words of such new section or sections shall also be underscored or in italics or contain some marginal or other notation to that effect. When the purpose of any proposal is to repeal in entirety any section or sections of the existing charter, the matter intended to be repealed need not be written out in full and enclosed in either double parentheses or bold-face brackets.

(b) The resolution to amend a charter shall identify the source of the existing section or sections, citing the code or other publication or amendment in which appears the most recent text of the section or sections to be amended.

(c) Amendments to the charter of any municipal corporation shall be in a consecutively numbered series.

(d) The resolution to amend a charter shall provide specifically (and not simply by implication) for the repeal of any section or sections of the existing charter which are inconsistent with the amended section or sections.

(e) A proposal to amend a charter, whether initiated by the legislative body of the municipal corporation or by a petition of qualified voters of the municipal corporation, may not be rescinded after its adoption by the legislative body or after its formal submission in a petition, in any manner other than that of another charter amendment.

[(b)] *(f) At the time a charter amendment or amendments become effective by reason of having been ordained or passed by the legislative body of the municipal corporation, or at the time of making public proclamation as to the vote on any question containing a proposed charter amendment or amendments which have been adopted, the mayor or other chief executive officer of the municipal corporation shall send separately by registered mail to the Secretary of State of Maryland and to the Department of Legislative Reference the following information concerning the charter amendment or amendments: (1) The complete text thereof, or a statement that the charter contained in Article 23B has been adopted, (2) the date of the referendum election, if any, (3) the number of votes cast for and against each question containing the charter amendment or amendments, whether in the legislative body or in a referendum, and (4) the effective date of the charter amendment or amendments.*

(g) The charter amendment or amendments are not effective and shall not be applied or considered as if effective, unless and until it or they have been registered as required in sub-section (f) of this section.

18. The exact text of any amendment or amendments to the charter of any municipal corporation, adopted as in this subheading specified, shall thereafter be included in any subsequent edition or codification of the charter of the municipal corporation, **[unless the charter contained in Article 23B has been adopted,]** until altered, modified