

A RESOLUTION TO AMEND SECTIONS 176, 177, 178 AND 179 OF THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF FREDERICK AS THE SAME WAS ADOPTED JULY 7, 1966.

SECTION I: BE IT RESOLVED AND ENACTED AND ORDAINED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Frederick that Sections 176, 177, 178 and 179 of the Charter of the City of Frederick, Maryland, be repealed and re-enacted as follows:

Sec. 176. Planning commission--Composition; appointment; term; removal; compensation.

There shall be a planning commission which shall consist of five members, namely, a member of the board of aldermen, and four persons, all residents of the City of Frederick, who shall be appointed by the mayor with the advice and consent of the board of aldermen. The term of each member shall be five years or until his successor takes office; except, that the respective terms of the five members first appointed shall be one, two, three, four and five years. The present members of the planning commission shall continue to serve as members until this resolution becomes effective, after which the planning commission shall be appointed within thirty days in accordance herewith. The commission shall appoint one of its members as chairman. All members of the commission shall serve as such without compensation. Members may be removed by the board of aldermen after a hearing for inefficiency, neglect of duties or malfeasance in office.

Sec. 177. Same--Vacancies.

If the member of the board of aldermen serving on the planning commission ceases to be a member of the board of aldermen before the expiration of his term on the planning commission, the board of aldermen shall appoint another alderman to serve on the planning commission for the remainder of the unexpired term. Vacancies among the other four members of the commission shall be filled by the mayor with the advice and consent of the board of aldermen for the remainder of the unexpired term.

Sec. 178. Same--Powers and duties generally.

The planning commission shall have the power and shall be required:

(a) To make, amend, extend, and add to a master plan for the physical development of the city.

(b) To exercise control over subdividing in the city.

(c) To draft for the board of aldermen an official map of the city.

(d) To prepare and adopt a zoning plan and recommend or disapprove proposed changes in the plan.

(e) To submit annually to the mayor, not less than ninety days prior to the beginning of the budget year, a list of recommended capital improvements which in the opinion of the commission are necessary or desirable to be constructed during the forthcoming four-year period. Such list shall be arranged in order of preference, with recommendations as to which projects shall be constructed in which year.

Sec. 179. Same--Further powers and duties.