

THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS RESOLUTION IS MAY 28, 2019
RESOLUTION NO. 19-09

RESOLUTION OF
THE COUNTY COUNCIL
OF FREDERICK COUNTY, MARYLAND

Re: Establishment of Frederick County Charter Review Commission

A RESOLUTION establishing a Charter Review Commission to review and make recommendations concerning the Frederick County Charter; appointing certain persons to serve on the Commission; providing for the duties of the Commission including the duty to submit a final report on or before a certain date; and generally relating to the Charter Review Commission.

WHEREAS, the Frederick County Charter requires the County Council of Frederick County to establish a Charter Review Commission ("Commission") no less than every ten years beginning in 2019; and

WHEREAS, the Commission's purpose is to ensure that the Charter is clear in meaning, addresses the needs of contemporary government, and remains a functional, working document that effectively outlines the framework for the efficient operation of County government; and

WHEREAS, the Council has selected seven residents of Frederick County to serve as members of the Commission, including at least one member from each Council District.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the County Council of Frederick County, Maryland this 28th day of May, 2019 that there is hereby established a Charter Review Commission to review the provisions of the Charter and make recommendations as to the necessity for deleting, adding, or amending its contents.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the County Council of Frederick County, Maryland this 28th day of May, 2019 that, as provided in the Frederick County Charter, there is hereby established a Charter Review Commission to "review the provisions of this Charter and make recommendations as to the necessity for deleting, adding, or amending its contents". (Charter § 703(b))

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the following persons are appointed to serve on the Commission:

District 1. Paul Gilligan, Burkittsville, MD
District 2. Walter Olson, New Market, MD
District 3. Stephen Slater, Frederick, MD
District 4. John Daniels, Frederick, MD
District 5. Dr. April Miller, Myersville, MD
At Large. Lisa Jarosinski, Mount Airy, MD
At Large. Dylan Diggs, Frederick, MD

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that members of the Commission are entitled to reimbursement for expenses incurred, in accordance with the Charter and County policy.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Commission shall submit to the Council, on or before February 28, 2020, a comprehensive written report of its findings and recommendations.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Commission shall present their final report and recommendation to the County Council on or before March 10, 2020.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Commission shall establish a schedule of public hearings to be held at various times and locations in the County.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Commission shall conduct meetings in accordance with the Maryland Open Meetings Act and Robert's Rules of Order.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all recommendations and proposed Charter revisions shall be approved by a majority of the Commission members before the recommendations are forwarded to the Council.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that any minority reports of the Commission may be forwarded to the Council for consideration.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Commission shall adopt or designate, and may modify, rules of procedure to accomplish the charges as set forth in this Resolution.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Commission shall be dismissed and dissolved upon the presentation of its report and recommendations.

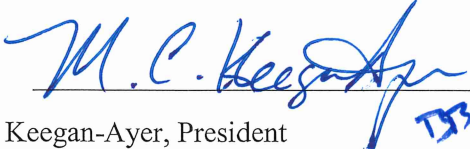
AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Charter Commission members serve at the pleasure of the County Council and may be removed at any time by the vote of 4 Council Members. In the event of a vacancy, the Council shall appoint a new commission member. In filling a vacancy, the Council shall ensure that the Commission continues to include at least one member from each Council District.

The undersigned hereby certifies that this Resolution was approved and adopted on the 28th day of May, 2019.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF

FREDERICK COUNTY, MARYLAND

By:


M.C. Keegan-Ayer, President