# TOWN COUNCIL OF INDIAN HEAD

#### **CHARTER AMENDMENT RESOLUTION NO. 10-01-21**

## Introduced by Mayor Paulin

#### A RESOLUTION concerning

### **CHARTER AMENDMENT - BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF ELECTIONS**

- FOR the purpose of amending the Charter of the Town of Indian Head to provide, under certain circumstances, for the Town Council not to appoint a Board of Supervisors of Elections and, in lieu, to provide by agreement for the Charles County Board of Elections to administer and manage Town of Indian Head municipal elections; and matters generally related to the administration and management of Town elections.
- BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments
  Charter of the Town of Indian Head
  (as published by General Code Corporation)
  ARTICLE III, Elections
  Section C3-3

SECTION 1. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF INDIAN HEAD, That Section C3-3 of the Charter of the Town of Indian Head (as published by General Code Corporation), ARTICLE III, Elections, is repealed and reenacted, with amendments, to read as follows

#### **ARTICLE III - Elections**

#### § C3-3 Board of Supervisors of Elections.

- A. Appointment. ((There)) SUBJECT TO § C3-3.D, THERE shall be a Board of Supervisors of Elections consisting of three (3) members who shall be appointed by the Town Council on or before the first Monday in March in every odd-numbered year. The terms of members of the Board of Supervisors of Elections shall begin on the second Monday in March in the year in which they are appointed and shall run for two (2) years. Members of the Board of Supervisors of Elections shall be qualified voters of the town and shall not hold or be candidates for any elective office during their terms of office. The Board shall appoint one (1) of its members as Chairman. Vacancies on the Board shall be filled by the Town Council for the remainder of the unexpired term. The compensation of the members of the Board shall be determined by the Council. The Town Council shall appoint two (2) substitute members to the Board of Supervisors of Elections. The terms of office of the substitute members will be the same as for the members of the Board of Supervisors of Elections.
- D. THE TOWN COUNCIL MAY DETERMINE BY RESOLUTION, FROM TIME TO TIME, TO NOT APPOINT A BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF ELECTIONS AS PROVIDED FOR IN § C3-3.A. THE COUNCIL MAY DETERMINE NOT TO APPOINT A BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF ELECTIONS ONLY IF THE COUNCIL PROVIDES BY AGREEMENT FOR THE DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE BOARD FOR THE ADMINISTRATION AND MANAGEMENT OF TOWN ELECTIONS TO BE CARRIED OUT BY THE CHARLES COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS WITH THE ASSISTANCE OF SUCH STAFF AS DETERMINED BY THE CHARLES COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS.

SECTION 2: AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF INDIAN HEAD that the date of adoption of this Resolution is October 4,

2021, and the amendment to the Charter of the Town of Indian Head, hereby enacted shall become effective on November 23, 2021 (50 days following enactment of this Resolution), unless a proper petition for referendum hereon shall be filed as permitted by law, provided a complete and exact copy of this Resolution shall be continuously posted on the bulletin board in the Town Hall until 50 days following enactment of this Resolution, and provided further that a copy of the title of this Resolution shall be published in the Southern Maryland News", a newspaper of general circulation in the Town of Indian Head, or in any other newspaper of such general circulation, once in each of the weeks beginning October 8, 2021, October 15, 2021, October 22, 2021, and October 29, 2021.

SECTION 3: AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF INDIAN HEAD that the Town Clerk is hereby specifically commanded to carry out the provisions of Section 2 of this Resolution, and, as evidence of such compliance, the Clerk shall cause to be maintained appropriate certificates of publication of the newspaper or newspapers in which the title of the Resolution shall have been published, and if a favorable referendum is held on the Charter change, the Mayor shall declare the Charter hereby enacted to be effective on the date provided by law.

SECTION 4: AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF INDIAN HEAD that as soon as the Charter Amendment hereby enacted shall become effective, either as provided herein or following a referendum, the Clerk of Council shall send to the Department of Legislative Services of Maryland a copy of this Resolution showing the number of members of the Council voting for and against it and a report on the votes cast for or against the Charter Amendment hereby enacted at any referendum thereon and the date of such referendum.

The above Amendment to the Charter of the Town of Indian Head was enacted by the foregoing Resolution which was passed at a Town meeting of the Indian Head Town Council on October 4, 2021, with 3 members of the Town Council voting in the affirmative, 0 members of the Town Council voting in the negative, 0 members of the Town Council abstaining and 0 members of the Town Council absent and the Resolution becomes effective in accordance with law on the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of November, 2021 unless a proper petition for referendum hereon shall be filed as permitted by law.

ADOPTED this 4th day of October, 2021.

ATTEST:

TOWN COUNCIL OF INDIAN HEAD

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Brandon Paulin, Mayor

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Ron Sitoula, Vice Mayor

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Randy Albright, Councilman

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CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW. ((Double Parenthesis)) indicate matter deleted from existing law. <u>Underlining</u> indicates amendments to bill.

Strike Out indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.

\* \* \* indicates matter in the current Charter unchanged by this Charter Amendment and intentionally omitted.