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CITY OF CHARLOTTE

ORDINANCE NO. 2014-02

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 2 - ADMINISTRATION - OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF CHARLOTTE, BY AMENDING § 2-57, FIRE DEPARTMENT, BY AMENDING SUBSECTION (B) SO AS TO LIMIT THE DUTIES OF FIRE DEPARTMENT EMPLOYEES OR CONTRACTORS TO BUILDING AND PROPERTY MAINTENANCE INSPECTION SERVICES, TO DELETE DIVISION 3, CAMP FRANCIS ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD, § 2-126 THROUGH 2-130, AND TO ADD DIVISION 5, SUSTAINABILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE, § 2-135 TO 2-141, SO AS TO ESTABLISH A SUSTAINABILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE IN THE CITY OF CHARLOTTE.

Councilmember Dyer moved the following:

THE CITY OF CHARLOTTE ORDAINS:

§ 2-57 of Chapter 2 - Administration - of the Code of the City of Charlotte is hereby amended to read as follows:

§ 2-57 FIRE DEPARTMENT.

(A) The Fire Department shall be under the direction of the Fire Chief, who shall have the duties and responsibilities detailed for such office in the City Charter, this code and state statutes. In addition, the Fire Chief shall have the responsibility for supervising the work of such other employees or contractors employed by the city for the purpose of providing building, plumbing, mechanical, electrical and property maintenance inspection services.

(B) There is hereby established within the Fire Department a building division, which shall have the responsibility of providing, with Fire Department employees and/or through the use of contractors, building and property maintenance inspection services.

Article IV. Boards and Commissions of Chapter 2 - Administration - of the Code of the City of Charlotte is hereby amended by deleting Division 3 - Camp Francis Administrative Board, § 2-126, 2-127, 2-128, 2-129, and 2-130 in their entirety.

Article IV, Boards and Commission, of Chapter 2 - Administration - of the Code of the City of Charlotte is hereby amended by adding the title Division 5 - Sustainability Advisory Committee, and § 2-135 through 2-141, which shall read as follows:

DIVISION 5. SUSTAINABILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

§ 2-135 PURPOSE.

Pursuant to section 6.15 of the City Charter, the Sustainability Advisory Committee is hereby established for the purpose of involving Charlotte citizens in researching and advising the City Council regarding policies and initiatives designed to better enable humans and nature to exist in productive harmony while addressing long-term economic, environmental and energy needs and trends.

§ 2-136 MEMBERS.

- (A) The Sustainability Advisory Committee shall consist of at least 5 but not more than 7 voting members appointed by the Mayor with the approval of the City Council.
- (B) One member shall be a member of the Downtown Development Authority, the Economic Development Advisory Board or the Planning Commission.
- (C) One member shall be a member of the City Council.
- (D) One member may be a non-resident.
- (E) The Committee shall have the authority to appoint ex officio members with the right to participate in discussion but without the right to vote.

§ 2-137 TERMS OF OFFICE.

The terms of the voting members of the Sustainability Advisory Committee shall be three years in duration; provided, however, that the initial terms of office shall be established such that approximately one-third of the members' terms end on December 31 of each year.

§ 2-138 ORGANIZATION.

- (A) Officers. During its first meeting in each calendar year, the Sustainability Advisory Committee shall elect a chairman, vice-chairman and secretary.

- (B) Meetings. The Sustainability Advisory Committee shall meet at least bi-monthly. During its first meeting in each calendar year, it shall approve a schedule of regular meetings.
- (C) Bylaws. The Sustainability Advisory Committee may adopt such bylaws as it feels are necessary for its organization and operation; provided, no provisions of said bylaws shall conflict with any provision of the City's Charter or Code of Ordinances.

§ 2-139 COMPENSATION.

The members of the Sustainability Advisory Committee shall receive no compensation for their services to the City but shall be allowed reasonable and actual expenses when incurred on behalf of the City and approved by the City Council.

§ 2-140 REPORTS AND INITIATIVES.

- (A) The Sustainability Advisory Committee shall present to Council each 6 months a written report summarizing its activities.
- (B) Within 12 months after its first meeting, the Sustainability Advisory Committee shall present to City Council a report summarizing its recommendations regarding specific programs or initiatives that it believes are most practical in advancing the purpose for which the Committee was formed. In evaluating possible programs or initiatives, the Committee may examine the Michigan Green Communities Challenge or similar programs in use by other organization or communities.
- (C) Within 60 days following its receipt of the report referenced above, the City Council shall, by resolution, accept the recommendations of the committee with or without modification, identify specific programs or initiatives that it wishes the Committee to pursue and identify such additional reports as it desires the Committee to prepare.

§ 2-141 SUNSET PROVISION.

This Division 5, Sections 2-135 to 2-140 shall be null, void and of no force and effect two years from the effective date of this ordinance.

This ordinance shall become effective 20 days after adoption and that the above ordinance be passed to a second reading.

Second, Cuttle. Carried. (7) Yeas. (0) Nays.

Dated: February 24, 2014.

Carrie Burch, Mayor

Ginger Terpstra, Clerk