

ORDINANCE NO. 2014-32 OF THE CITY OF LAKE WORTH, FLORIDA, AMENDING SECTION 2-12 OF ARTICLE I OF CHAPTER 2 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES AMENDING PROCEDURES FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF BOARD MEMBERS; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, in 2013, the City Commission adopted a new process for the appointment of members to City's boards;

WHEREAS, there is a need to clarify the new process in terms of the order of appointments and the timeframe for making such appointments;

WHEREAS, the City finds making such clarifications serves a valid public purpose.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LAKE WORTH, FLORIDA, that:

Section 1. Section 2-12 of Article I of Chapter 2 of the Code of Ordinances is amended to read as follows:

Chapter 2

ADMINISTRATION

ARTICLE I. IN GENERAL

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Sec. 2-12. Appointment of members of city boards and terms of office.

(a) Appointment of members to all city boards created by the city commission shall be as follows:

1. On city boards consisting of five members, each member of the city commission shall have one appointment in the following order: mayor, vice mayor, then numerically by each commission district.
2. On city boards consisting of seven members, the mayor and vice-mayor shall have two appointments and the remaining three commissioners shall each have one appointment in the following order: mayor, vice mayor, numerically by each commission district, mayor, then vice mayor.
3. On new city boards consisting of membership other than five or seven, the city commission shall specify the method of appointment in the enabling ordinance.
4. The city commission as a whole may appoint alternate members to city boards to serve as a substitute for absent regular members; and while so serving, the substitute shall have the full power and authority of the

absent member.

5. On city boards consisting of five members and two alternates in their enabling ordinance, the mayor and vice-mayor shall each have one member appointment and one alternate appointment and the remaining three commissioners shall each have one appointment in the following order: mayor, vice mayor, numerically by each commission district, mayor, then vice mayor.
6. The board appointments will be effective upon ratification by the city commission as a whole during a public meeting.

(b) An elected official responsible for an appointment of a member to a city board shall have 30 days to make the appointment. The 30 days shall commence upon notification from the City Clerk or designee to the elected official of the needed appointment. If the elected official does not notify the City Clerk or designee of his or her appointment within 30 days of the City Clerk or designee's notification, the elected official waives his or her right to make that appointment. Once waived, the City Clerk or designee shall notify the next elected official responsible for an appointment to that city board. In the event that the last responsible elected official waives his or her right to make an appointment, the City Clerk or designee will notify the other elected officials of the needed appointment and any elected official may bring forward an appointment for ratification by the city commission as a whole during a public meeting. In such a case, the appointed member shall be assigned to the last responsible elected official who waived his or her right to the appointment.

1 (b)(c) The members and alternate members of all city boards shall serve
2 at the pleasure of the city commission. The members' terms shall be as
3 stated in the enabling ordinance of their respective boards; however, all
4 members shall continue to serve until a successor is appointed. All
5 members and alternate members are eligible for reappointment.
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7 (e) (d) Upon the adoption of this Ordinance, the City Clerk will coordinate
8 with the Mayor and City Commissioners to appoint new members or new
9 alternates as vacancies arise from time to time.
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11 (d)(e) All city boards created by general law, special act of the legislature,
12 or pursuant to other authority, shall follow the requirements of the
13 enabling legislation when such legislation is in conflict with this
14 Ordinance.
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16 Section 2. Section 1 of this Ordinance shall be codified.
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18 Section 3. This Ordinance shall become effective ten (10) days after passage.
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The passage of this Ordinance on first reading was moved by Vice Mayor Maxwell, seconded by Commissioner Szerdi, and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Mayor Pam Triolo	AYE
Vice Mayor Scott Maxwell	AYE
Commissioner Christopher McVoy	NAY
Commissioner Andy Amoroso	AYE
Commissioner John Szerdi	AYE

The Mayor thereupon declared this Ordinance duly passed on first reading on the 21st day of October, 2014.

The passage of this Ordinance on second reading was moved by Commissioner Amoroso, seconded by Commissioner Szerdi, and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:


Mayor Pam Triolo	AYE
Vice Mayor Scott Maxwell	AYE
Commissioner Christopher McVoy	ABSENT
Commissioner Andy Amoroso	AYE
Commissioner John Szerdi	AYE

The Mayor thereupon declared this Ordinance duly passed and enacted on the 4th day of November, 2014.

LAKE WORTH CITY COMMISSION

By: 
Mayor

ATTEST:


Pamela J. Lopez, City Clerk

