

ORDINANCE NO. 23-1265

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKE FOREST PARK, WASHINGTON, AMENDING CHAPTER 2.22, VOLUNTEER COMMISSION SYSTEM OF THE LAKE FOREST PARK MUNICIPAL CODE, BY ADDING SECTION 2.22.075, ALTERNATE MEMBERS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, the City has established a Volunteer Commission System pursuant to Chapter 2.22 of the Lake Forest Park Municipal Code ("LFPMC"), which establishes commissions; provides for roles, duties, qualifications, terms, appointment by the Mayor, and confirmation by the City Council; and

WHEREAS, additional commissions, boards, and committees have been established by the Mayor and City Council to address specific issues or concerns, such as the Tree Board, Parks and Recreation Advisory Board, Library Advisory Committee, and Climate Action Committee; and

WHEREAS, some of the City's commissions, boards and committees have been unable at times to seat a quorum of members for a meeting, which is necessary for the body to meet and discuss City business; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council find that it is in the City's best interest to have the option of appointing and confirming two alternate members on commissions, boards and committees to help meet quorum requirements and to fill permanent vacancies when they arise.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKE FOREST PARK, WASHINGTON, DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. AMENDMENT. LFPMC 2.22.075, Alternate members is added as follows:

2.22.075 Alternate members.

A. Commissions, tasks forces, boards, and committees created by this chapter or elsewhere, may have up to two alternate members appointed by the mayor and confirmed by the City Council. Alternate members may be called upon by the chair to substitute for absent members and will have the same powers and duties as the permanent member for that meeting. Alternative members will be called upon to serve at meetings in order of seniority.

B. When vacancies arise, the most senior alternate member will automatically become a permanent member and serve the remainder of the vacated term. Service of a partial term shall not count toward a member's term limit.

Section 2. CORRECTIONS. The City Clerk is authorized to make necessary corrections to this ordinance including, but not limited to, the correction of scrivener's/clerical errors, references, ordinance numbering, section/subsection numbers and any references thereto.

Section 3. SEVERABILITY. Should any portion of this ordinance, or its application to any person or circumstance, be declared unconstitutional or otherwise invalid for any reason, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance or its application to other persons or circumstances.

Section 4. EFFECTIVE DATE. This ordinance shall take effect five (5) days after passage and publication.

APPROVED BY A MAJORITY of the Lake Forest Park City Council this _____ day of _____, 2023.

APPROVED:

Jeff Johnson
Mayor

ATTEST/AUTHENTICATED:

Matt McLean
City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Kim Adams Pratt
City Attorney

Introduced: _____
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