

## City of Annapolis

### Charter Revision Commission 160 Duke of Gloucester Street Annapolis, MD 21401

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#### **PRESS RELEASE**

# City of Annapolis Charter Revision Commission Established: Public Comments Welcomed

Date: May 1, 2021 Contact: Andrew Haire, Chair

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On January 11, 2021, the Annapolis City Council appointed nine City residents to a Charter Revision Commission who have been tasked to independently examine all aspects of the City Charter, including election procedures, land-use policy, City administration procedures and even the manner by which the city budget is formulated and managed.

The Commission has been directed to review the Charter and make specific recommendations for revisions to the City Council, who will then adopt those proposals deemed appropriate. The Commission's term is 6 months but was recently extended by the City Council to mid-September in order to complete its objectives.

The Commissioners possess a wide range of backgrounds and broad based experience dealing with governance. According to Commission Chair Andrew Haire, "The Commission will look at the Charter with fresh eyes. We plan to perform an exhaustive review of the present Charter with a goal of finding improvements that will enable our City government to work most efficiently."

The Commission is actively seeking comments from the community on possible revisions to the Charter. Members of the public are encouraged to submit comments online prior to Commission meetings (<a href="here">here</a>) with an option to present live (virtual) testimony at the meeting.

Virtual Meeting: A virtual meeting is when people, regardless of their location, use video and audio to link up online. Virtual meetings allow people to share information and data in real-time without being physically located together.

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> September



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Comments can also be forwarded to the Commission, via email: <a href="mailto:crcannapolis@gmail.com">crcannapolis@gmail.com</a>. A copy of the current Annapolis City Charter may be found <a href="mailto:here">here</a>. The Commission's website can be accessed <a href="here">here</a>.

Commission members:

Andrew Haire, Chair

Paul Rankin, Vice Chair

Eileen Leahy, Secretary

Minor Carter

Jeffrey Durand

Lawrence Harris, Jr.

Benjamin Mednick

Ron Schneider

**Robert Tufts** 

Meeting dates – all presently scheduled for 6:00 PM EDT:

- Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> May Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> July

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> May
 Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> June
 Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> July
 Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> August

- Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> June Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> August