

ORDINANCE NO. 4647

AN ORDINANCE to amend and reordain Chapter 4 (COMMITTEES, BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS), Title 2 (GENERAL GOVERNMENT) of The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as amended.

THE CITY COUNCIL OF ALEXANDRIA HEREBY ORDAINS:

(The following is all new language)

Section 1. That Chapter 4 of Title 2 of the Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as amended, be, and the same hereby is, amended and reordained by the addition of the following new article and sections to read as follows:

ARTICLE Y – ALEXANDRIA PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSION

Sec. 2-4-200 Creation, composition and organization.

(a) There is hereby established a commission known as the Alexandria Park and Recreation Commission ("Commission").

(b) The Commission shall consist of 11 members to be appointed by the city council. The composition of the Commission shall be as follows:

- (1) Three members shall be residents of Planning District I;
- (2) Three members shall be residents of Planning District II;
- (3) Three members shall be residents of Planning District III; and
- (4) Two representatives from the high school youth of the City.

(c) Members of the Commission shall be appointed in the manner prescribed in article A of this title.

(d) Members shall serve for a term of three years, except that the term of a high school member appointed pursuant to section (b)(4) hereto shall end upon the termination of the member's termination as a high school student. Terms shall be staggered so that no more than half the commission will come up for reappointment in any year.

Sec. 2-4-201 Functions.

(a) The functions of the Commission shall be as follows:

- (1) to serve in an advisory capacity to the City Council and the citizens of Alexandria on all substantial matters related to parkland, recreation, culture, youth leisure-time activities and the City operating and capital improvement budgets; and
- (2) to serve in an advisory capacity to the Department of Recreation, Parks and Cultural Activities, the City Manager, the City Council and other members of the City staff, as appropriate, regarding matters of recreation, land needs therefor, and cultural programs, activities and facilities in the semi-public and private as well as public sector of the City.

(b) The Commission force shall hold at least four regular meetings each year, and as many special meetings as the Commission may deem advisable.

(c) The Commission is empowered to adopt rules and regulations in regard to procedure so long as the same are not inconsistent with the city code, including, but not limited to, the establishment of committees through which it may carry on its functions and purpose.

(d) A commission chair, vice-chair and secretary shall be elected annually by the commission members at the organizational meeting designated by the Commission.

(e) The Alexandria Department of Recreation, Parks and Cultural Activities and such other departments of the city as the city manager may direct shall provide administrative and logistical support to the Commission and its chair.

Section 2. That this ordinance shall become effective upon the date and at the time of its final passage.

WILLIAM D. EUILLE  
Mayor

Final Passage: January 23, 2010