

ORDINANCE NO. 4809

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, by adding a new ARTICLE Z, Sections 2-4-210 through -211.

THE CITY COUNCIL OF ALEXANDRIA HEREBY ORDAINS:

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:

(The following is all new language)

ARTICLE Z-ALEXANDRIA TOWING ADVISORY BOARD

Sec. 2-4-210 Creation, composition and organization.

- (a) There is hereby established a board known as the Alexandria Towing Advisory Board ("Board").
- (b) The Board shall consist of 6 members to be appointed by the city council. The composition of the Board shall be as follows:
  - 1. Two members from the Alexandria Police Department, to be nominated by the Chief of Police;
  - 2. Two members representing licensed towing and recovery operators doing business in the City of Alexandria; and
  - 3. Two citizens at large, one of which shall have expertise in property management or is a business owner.
- (c) A quorum of the board shall consist of at least one police member, one towing operator member and one citizen member.
- (d) Members of the Board shall be appointed in the manner prescribed in Article A of this title.
- (e) Members shall serve for a term of three years. Terms shall be staggered so that no more than half the Board will come up for reappointment in any year.
- (f) A Board chair, vice-chair and secretary shall be elected annually by the Board members at its organizational meeting.
- (g) The Board may adopt bylaws, rules and regulations governing its procedures 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 pmpose.

Sec. 2-4-211 Functions

The Board shall:

- (a) Provide a forum for an annual review of the rates and policies related to the towing, storage and retrieval of vehicles towed from private property by the property owner or their authorized agent; and
- (b) To review and approve as necessary any contracts by the City for municipal towing or other towing at the direction of City officials or their authorized agents; and
- (c) To provide a forum for public hearing, discussion and recommendations to city staff and the city council related to the towing, storage and retrieval of vehicles towed from private property by the property owner or their authorized agent.

Sec. 2-4-212 Meetings

- (a) The Board shall have at least one, but no more than four, regular meetings annually. The Board may also have special meetings as necessary.
- (b) Subject to the limitations set forth in Subsection (a) above, the Board shall meet at the call of the Chairperson, upon request of the city council or upon the request of the Director of Transportation & Environmental Services.
- (c) The Board shall be supported primarily by staff from the Department of Transportation & Environmental Services and such additional staff as the city manager may direct.

Sec 2-4-213 thru 2-4-219 Reserved.

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: May 18, 2013