

Ordinance No. 740

AN ORDINANCE setting forth the limitations on the quantity of land within the City to be held by trustees of any local unincorporated religious congregation, church, or religious society or branch or division thereof.

WHEREAS: By virtue of Title 57, Chapter 2, Article 2, Section 57-12 of the Code of Virginia, as amended by the Acts of Assembly of the 1952 Session by the General Assembly of Virginia, cities of the Commonwealth of Virginia are enabled to extend by ordinance the quantity of land within the corporate limits of a city permitted to be held by trustees of any such religious congregation, church, or religious society or branch or division thereof.

THE CITY COUNCIL OF ALEXANDRIA HEREBY ORDAINS:

Sec. 1. That the duly appointed trustees of any local unincorporated religious congregation, church, or religious society or branch or division thereof are hereby authorized to take and hold in the City of Alexandria not exceeding ten (10) acres of land at any one time if such acreage is to be devoted exclusively, and is subsequently so devoted, to a church building, chapel, offices exclusively used for administrative purposes of the church, a Sunday School building and playgrounds therefor, and parking lots for the convenience of those attending any of the foregoing.

Sec. 2. That this ordinance shall not be construed as applying to any property which is the subject of litigation at the time of or prior to the effective date of Section 57-12 of the Code of Virginia as amended by the Acts of Assembly of the 1952 Session.

Sec. 3. That this ordinance shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the City not later than two days following its introduction together with a notice containing the time and place for a public hearing. The clerk of the Council shall note the date of introduction and first reading, the date of publication, the date of the public hearing, and the date of the second reading and final passage in the minutes of the meeting. This ordinance shall become effective on June 28, 1952.

Franklin P. Backus
Mayor

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