

RESOLUTION NO. 1805

A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF OXFORD TO AMEND SECTION C5 OF THE OXFORD TOWN CHARTER TO ADD A NEW SECTION C5-9.1 TITLED "WRITE-IN CANDIDATES" TO ADDRESS WRITE-IN CANDIDATES IN TOWN ELECTIONS

WHEREAS, Md. Code Ann. Local Gov't Article § 4-304 confers upon the Commissioners of Oxford the authority to initiate proposed amendments the Charter for the Town of Oxford; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioners of Oxford have determined that it is desirable and in the public interest to amend the Charter for the Town of Oxford to add Section to address write-in candidates in Town elections.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMISSIONERS OF OXFORD AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1: The Oxford Town Charter is hereby amended to include a new Section C5-9.1 to add provisions to the Charter to address write-in candidates as follows:

Section C5-9.1. Write-In Candidates.

(a) As used in this Section, the following definitions shall apply.

"Write-In candidate" means an individual whose name will not appear on the ballot but who files a certificate of nomination in accordance with subsection (b) below.

"Write-in vote" means a vote cast in an election for an individual whose name is not on the ballot for that election.

(b) A person may run in the general election for a Commissioner position as a write-in candidate provided that he or she is qualified to serve as a Town Commissioner in accordance with Section C3-2 of the Town Charter, and provided that he or she has filed a certificate of nomination with the Board of Supervisors of Elections at least ten (10) days prior to the election. A write-in candidate shall comply with all requirements imposed by the Town upon candidates running for office.

(c) In any general election, the Board of Supervisors of Elections shall count any write-in vote for a write-in candidate who has complied with the provisions set forth in subsection (b) above. A write-in vote shall not be

counted unless the vote is for a write-in candidate who has complied with subsection (b).

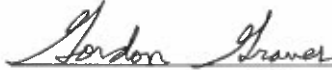
Section 2: This Resolution shall be posted and published in accordance with the requirements set forth in Md. Code Ann. Local Government Article § 4-304.

Section 3: This Resolution shall become effective 50 days after final enactment unless a petition for referendum has been filed prior thereto in accordance with Section 4-304 of the Local Government Article of the Code of Maryland. This Resolution shall be deemed "finally enacted" on the date on which the Commissioners of Oxford indicate their approval of this Resolution by affixing their signatures hereto.

Section 4: As soon as this Resolution becomes effective, the Town Clerk-Treasurer shall cause to be delivered to the Department of Legislative Reference all the information regarding the Charter Amendment, this Resolution, and any referendum held thereon as may be required by the Local Government Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland.

RESOLVED, this 27th day of March, 2018.

COMMISSIONERS OF OXFORD:



Gordon Graves, President



Gordon Fronk, Commissioner



John Pepe, Commissioner

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was passed by a ye and nay vote of the Commissioners of Oxford on the 27 day of MARCH, 2018.

Attest: 

Cheryl Lewis, Clerk/Treasurer
Town of Oxford

Language ~~stricken~~ indicates language deleted from the Charter for the Town of Oxford
Language in ***bold and italicized*** indicates language added to the Charter for the Town of Oxford