

RESOLUTION NO. 2211

A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF OXFORD FOR THE PURPOSES OF AMENDING THE OXFORD TOWN CHARTER TO EXTEND THE TIME THE SUPERVISORS OF ELECTIONS SHALL KEEP THE POLLS OPEN ON ELECTION DAYS

WHEREAS, Md. Code Ann. Local Gov't Article § 4-301, *et seq.* confers upon the Commissioners of Oxford the authority to initiate proposed amendments to the Charter for the Town of Oxford; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioners of Oxford have broad home rule authority to conduct elections in the Town of Oxford as they see fit; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioners of Oxford have determined that it is desirable and in the public interest to amend Section C5-10 of the Charter for the Town of Oxford to allow the voting polls to remain open for a longer period of time.

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

Section 1. Section C5-10 of the Charter for the Town of Oxford is hereby amended as follows:

**ARTICLE V
Registration, Nomination and Elections**

. . . .

Section C5-10. Conduct of Elections.

It shall be the duty of the Board of Supervisors of Elections to provide for such special and general election a suitable place or places for voting and suitable ballot boxes and ballots and/or voting machines. The ballots and/or voting machines shall show the name of each ~~candidate~~ **candidate** nominated for elective office in accordance with the provisions of this Charter, arranged in alphabetical order by office with no party designation of any kind. The Board of Supervisors of Elections shall keep the polls open from **8:00 a.m.** ~~2:00 p.m.~~ to 7:00 p.m. on election days or for longer hours if the Commission requires it.

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. The Commissioners shall hold a public hearing on this Resolution on _____, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.

Section 4. 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 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.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED this _____ day of _____, 2022.

COMMISSIONERS OF OXFORD:

Jimmy Jaramillo, President

Brian Wells, Commissioner

Tom Costigan, Commissioner

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was passed by a yea and nay vote of the Commissioners of Oxford on the _____ day of _____, 2022.

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 italics*** indicates language added to the Charter for the Town of Oxford