

RESOLUTION NO. 1807

A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF OXFORD TO AMEND SECTION C5-10 TO ESTABLISH PROVISIONS FOR ASSISTANCE TO QUALIFIED VOTERS WITH DISABILITIES IN MARKING A BALLOT

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 Section C5-10 of the Charter for the Town of Oxford to establish provisions for assistance to qualified voters for disabilities in marking a ballot.

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

Section 1: The Oxford Town Charter, Section C5-10 is hereby is hereby amended as follows:

Section C5-10. Conduct of Election.

(a) General requirements. 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 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 2:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. on election days or for longer hours if the Commission requires it.

(b) Assistance in marking ballot. Any otherwise qualified voter who requires assistance in casting a vote (either by absentee ballot or in person) by reason of a disability, inability to write, or inability to read, may be assisted in voting by any person selected by the voter, other than a candidate. Any person rendering assistance pursuant to this subsection shall be asked to execute an affidavit prepared by the Board of Supervisors of Election attesting that they are assisting the voter because of the voter's disability, and that they will not attempt to influence the voter to vote for or against any candidate or question appearing on the ballot.

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

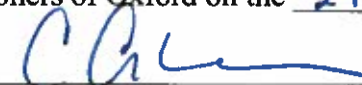


Gordon Fronk, Commissioner



John Pepe, Commissioner

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was passed by a yea 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 italics*** indicates language added to the Charter for the Town of Oxford