

1 Introduced by: Councilmember Seamens
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4 **CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND**

5
6 **UNCODIFIED EMERGENCY ORDINANCE**

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8 **2020–25**
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10 **An uncodified Ordinance whereby the City of Takoma Park extends**
11 **the terms of office of its Boards, Committees, and Commissions to June**
12 **30, 2021.**
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14 **WHEREAS,** the City of Takoma Park Code, section 2.16.010(A) Boards and Commissions,
15 Membership of statutory Council-appointed committees, states that the “Council
16 shall appoint all members of the committees identified in this section,” which
17 includes: the Arts and Humanities Commission, the Board of Elections, the
18 Commemoration Commission, the Commission on Landlord-Tenant Affairs, the
19 Committee on the Environment, the Complete Safe Streets Committee, the
20 Emergency Preparedness Committee, the Ethics Commission, the Facade
21 Advisory Board, the Noise Control Board, the Nuclear-Free Committee, the
22 Personnel Appeal Board, the Recreation Committee, the Safe Roadways
23 Committee, and the Tree Commission; and
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25 **WHEREAS,** the City of Takoma Park Code, section 2.16.010(C) Membership of statutory
26 Council-appointed committees sets forth a Term Expiration Chart for
27 appointments to the aforementioned Boards, Committees, and Commissions,
28 which identifies varying term lengths and varying dates of expiration; and
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30 **WHEREAS,** the provisions of this ordinance shall apply to the Grants Review Committee
31 which was established by resolution and is not codified; and
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33 **WHEREAS,** various aspects of the aforementioned Boards, Committees, and Commissions are
34 presently undergoing a general review and it is anticipated that revisions to this
35 Chapter will be made; and
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37 **WHEREAS,** the City was unable to complete its review prior to the expiration of the current
38 fiscal year for a variety of reasons, to include the state of emergency and public
39 health catastrophe caused by the outbreak of disease known as COVID–19, also
40 referred to as the novel coronavirus; and
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42 **WHEREAS,** appointments to certain of the aforementioned Boards, Committees, and
43 Commissions expired on March 31 and June 30, 2020, pursuant to the Term
44 Expiration Chart; and
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1 **WHEREAS,** certain members of the Boards, Committees, and Commissions are not eligible
2 for term extensions due to term limits and others do not wish to have their terms
3 extended.
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5 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF**
6 **TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND, THAT** the City Council hereby extend appointments to the
7 City's Boards, Committees, and Commissions to June 30, 2021, and enact this uncodified
8 emergency Ordinance as follows:
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10 **Section 1.** All appointments to the City's Boards, Committees, and Commissions that
11 expired on March 31 and June 30, 2020, shall be extended to June 30, 2021.

12 **Section 2.** Any appointment to the City's Boards, Committees, and Commissions that
13 expires between July 1, 2020, and June 30, 2021, shall be extended to June 30,
14 2021.
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16 **Section 3.** This uncodified emergency Ordinance shall be retroactive to March 31, 2020.
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18 **Section 4.** This uncodified emergency Ordinance applies to members whose terms are
19 expired or will be expiring, and who are not subject to term limits and wish to
20 continue to serve.
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22 **Section 5.** The City Council may rescind, modify, or extend this uncodified emergency
23 Ordinance.
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25 THIS ORDINANCE, WHICH IS EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY, IS ADOPTED BY THE
26 COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARLYAND, THIS 29TH DAY OF JULY,
27 2020, BY ROLL-CALL VOTE AS FOLLOWS:
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29 AYE: Stewart, Kovar, Dyballa, Kostiuk, Seamens, Smith, Searcy
30 NAY: None
31 ABSTAIN: None
32 ABSENT: None