

1 Introduced by: Councilmember Searcy

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3 **CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND**

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5 **UNCODIFIED EMERGENCY ORDINANCE**
6 **2021-28**

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8 **An uncodified Ordinance whereby the City of Takoma Park extends**
9 **the terms of office of its Boards, Committees, and Commissions to**
10 **October 15, 2021.**

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12 **WHEREAS,** on July 29, 2020, the City of Takoma Park adopted Uncodified Emergency
13 Ordinance 2020-25 for the purpose of extending the terms of office for the
14 members of its Boards, Committees, and Commissions while various aspects of
15 those bodies were undergoing a general review which would address, in part, the
16 length of terms of office; and

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18 **WHEREAS,** Uncodified Emergency Ordinance 2020-25: (1) extended to June 30, 2021, all
19 appointments to the City's Boards, Committees, and Commissions that expired
20 on March 31 and June 30, 2020; and (2) extended to June 30, 2021 any
21 appointment to the City's Boards, Committees, and Commissions that was set to
22 expire between July 1, 2020 and June 30, 2021; and

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24 **WHEREAS,** Uncodified Emergency Ordinance 2020-25 only applied to members whose terms
25 expired or were set to expire, who were not subject to term limits, and who wished
26 to continue to serve; and

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28 **WHEREAS,** the City has not yet concluded its review for a variety of reasons, to include the
29 state of emergency and public health catastrophe caused by the disease known as
30 COVID-19; and

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32 **WHEREAS,** the provisions of this ordinance shall apply to the Grants Review Committee
33 which was established by resolution and is not codified; and

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35 **WHEREAS,** to ensure that the City can address the length of terms of office as part of its
36 general review of the City's Boards, Commissions, and Committees, and
37 simultaneously ensure that vacancies are filled, it is necessary to modify the terms
38 of office for those appointed prior to the review being completed.

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40 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF**
41 **TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND, THAT** the City Council hereby extends appointments to the
42 City's Boards, Committees, and Commissions to October 15, 2021, and enacts this uncodified
43 emergency Ordinance as follows:
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1 **Section 1.** All appointments to the City’s Boards, Committees, and Commissions, that were
2 extended to June 30, 2021, by Uncodified Emergency Ordinance 2020-25 shall
3 be extended to October 15, 2021.

4 **Section 2.** Any appointment to the City’s Boards, Committees, and Commissions, that
5 expires between June 30, 2021 and October 15, 2021, shall be extended to
6 October 15, 2021.
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8 **Section 3.** This uncodified emergency Ordinance shall be retroactive to March 31, 2020.
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10 **Section 4.** This uncodified emergency Ordinance applies to members whose terms are
11 expired or will be expiring, even if they are term limited, and wish to continue to
12 serve.
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14 **Section 5.** The City Council may rescind, modify, or extend this uncodified emergency
15 Ordinance.
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17 THIS ORDINANCE, WHICH IS EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY, IS ADOPTED BY THE
18 COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARLYAND, THIS 16TH DAY OF JUNE,
19 2021, BY ROLL-CALL VOTE AS FOLLOWS:
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21 AYE: Stewart, Kovar, Dyballa, Kostiuk, Seamens, Smith, Searcy
22 NAY: None
23 ABSTAIN: None
24 ABSENT: None