

INTRODUCED: June 13, 2016

AN ORDINANCE No. 2016-189

To amend City Code § 2-894, concerning the functions of the Maggie L. Walker Initiative Citizens Advisory Board, for the purpose of clarifying that initially appointed voting members are eligible for an additional successive full term.

Patron – Ms. Robertson

Approved as to form and legality
by the City Attorney

PUBLIC HEARING: JULY 25 2016 AT 6 P.M.

THE CITY OF RICHMOND HEREBY ORDAINS:

§ 1. That section 2-894 of the Code of the City of Richmond (2015) be and is hereby amended and reordained as follows:

Sec. 2-894. Functions.

(a) *Composition.* The Board shall be composed of sixteen members, including seven members appointed by the Mayor, eight members appointed by the Council, and the Director of Community Wealth Building, who shall be a non-voting member. All appointments shall be otherwise governed by sections 2-755 and 2-756 of this Code.

(b) *Qualifications.*

AYES: 9 NOES: 0 ABSTAIN: _____

ADOPTED: SEPT 12 2016 REJECTED: _____ STRICKEN: _____

(1) *Mayoral appointments.* The Mayor shall appoint members from each of the following categories:

a. Four persons who, at the time of appointment, reside in a census tract within the City of Richmond with a poverty rate of at least 25%. At least one of the four persons shall, at the time of appointment, be a tenant of the Richmond Redevelopment and Housing Authority or a recipient of Section 8 housing vouchers from the Richmond Redevelopment and Housing Authority.

b. A representative of a service provider assisting low-income individuals or families.

c. A representative of a community organization or advocacy group with a primary focus on the reduction of poverty and who resides within the City of Richmond.

d. A person who resides within the city of Richmond.

(2) *Council appointments.* The Council shall appoint members from each of the following categories:

a. Four persons who, at the time of appointment, reside in a census tract within the city of Richmond with a poverty rate of at least 25%. At least one of the four persons shall, at the time of appointment, be a tenant of the Richmond Redevelopment and Housing Authority or a recipient of Section 8 housing vouchers from the Richmond Redevelopment and Housing Authority.

b. A business owner or a representative of a business with a workforce made up of employees, the majority of whom reside in the city of Richmond.

- c. A representative of a college or university located within the city of Richmond with expertise in studying poverty or in program evaluation.
- d. A person who resides within the city of Richmond.
- e. A member of the City Council, who shall be a non-voting member of the Board and shall serve as co-chair.

(c) *Terms of office.* Of the voting members initially appointed, five members shall be appointed for a term of one year, five members shall be appointed for a term of two years and four members shall be appointed for a term of three years. [~~As the terms of the initial~~ Thereafter, voting members [~~expire, their successors~~] shall be appointed for terms of three years. However, the Director of Community Wealth Building shall serve as an ex officio member and the member of the City Council shall be appointed by resolution of the City Council in the same manner as appointments to Standing Committees of the City Council and shall be appointed for a term that shall expire as provided in such resolution. The members of the Board shall serve no more than [~~one~~] two successive full [~~term~~] terms; provided, however, that persons appointed to fill an unexpired term may serve two successive full terms upon completion of the unexpired term for which the person has been appointed. Members appointed pursuant to subsections (b)(1)(a) and (b)(2)(a) of this section who, after such appointment, no longer meet the qualifications specified therein may complete their full term and hold office until a qualified successor is appointed. All other aspects of the Board and its membership not addressed in this division shall be governed by Chapter 2, Article V, Division 1, of this Code.

(d) *Compensation.* The voting members of the Board shall receive a per diem compensation of \$50.00 for each meeting of the Board for which such members are actually

engaged in the duties of the Board; provided, however, that no member shall receive more than \$600.00 per fiscal year for compensation.

§ 2. This ordinance shall be in force and effect upon adoption.



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TITLE Amending Citizen's Advisory Board Terms to Allow for Reappointments

This is a request for the drafting of an **Ordinance** **Resolution**

REQUESTING COUNCILMEMBER/PATRON

Councilperson Ellen Robertson

SUGGESTED STANDING COMMITTEE

Education and Human Services

ORDINANCE/RESOLUTION SUMMARY

The patron requests the amendment of Ordinance No. 2014-234-215 to allow for the reappointment of existing Board members thus extending their terms. The amendment is to modify the ordinance to make explicit that the initial appointees to the board are eligible for an additional three year term once their initial term expires.

BACKGROUND

The current term language states that the members of the Board shall serve no more than one successive full term; provided, however, that persons appointed to fill an unexpired term may serve two successive full terms upon completion of the unexpired term for which the person has been appointed. Members appointed pursuant to subsections (b)(1)(a) and (b)(2)(a) of this section who, after such appointment, no longer meet the qualifications specified therein may complete their full term and hold office until a qualified successor is appointed. All other aspects of the Board and its membership not addressed in this division shall be governed by Chapter 2, Article V, Division 1, of this Code.

The City Attorney's Office stated that the current language does not allow for reappointment. The patron would therefore like the language amended.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

None

Fiscal Impact Yes No

Budget Amendment Required Yes No

Estimated Cost or Revenue Impact \$ 0

Attachment/s Yes No