153.01 CREATION.

(a) There is hereby created a Gahanna Parks and Recreation Board which shall consist of seven electors of the Municipality.

(1) Three of the seven electors shall be appointed by the Mayor; four of the seven electors shall be appointed by Council. The Gahanna Jefferson Public Schools' Board of Education may recommend one elector who is employed by the Gahanna Jefferson Public Schools for appointment by Council; absent good cause, Council shall appoint the recommended employee.

(2) Beginning January 2, 1997, one of the seven electors will be appointed by the Mayor for three years, one will be appointed by Council for three years, one will be appointed by the Mayor for two years, one will be appointed by Council for two years, one will be appointed by the Mayor for one year and one will be appointed by Council for one year. Thereafter, each January 2 (if January 2 is a Sunday, then January 3) as the terms expire, City appointments shall be made for a term of three years by the respective appointing authorities for the position for which the term is ending. The recommendation by the Gahanna Jefferson Public Schools' Board of Education shall be made to Council at least 30 days prior to the expiration of term.

- (b) A member of the Board may be removed from office for just cause by the appointing authority, following notice and an opportunity to be heard. Such removed member shall not be eligible for appointment to the Board for a period of five years following removal. Any member of the Parks and Recreation Board that has been absent from three regular meetings during any calendar year, whether excused or not, is removed from office, but may be reappointed at the will of any appointing authority.
- (c) Vacancies shall be filled for unexpired terms in the same manner as initially executed. If an appointment to be made by the Mayor is not made within 45 days after the date such vacancy occurs, Council, by majority vote, shall make the appointment to the Board for the unexpired term. If an appointment to be made by Council is not made within 45 days after the date such vacancy occurs, the Mayor shall make the appointment to the Board for the unexpired term. If an appointment to the Board for the unexpired term. If an appointment to the appointment to the Board for the unexpired term. In the event that the Board of Education fails to recommend an employee to Council for appointment to the Board 30 days prior to the commencement of a new term, or fails to recommend an employee for appointment to the Board 15 days following a vacancy in the unexpired term of the seat held by the Gahanna Jefferson Public Schools' employee, Council shall appoint the additional member of the Board for that term.

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