CHAPTER 154 Landscape Board

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154.01 CREATION.

- (a) There is hereby created a Landscape Board which shall consist of five electors of the Municipality who are not otherwise serving as elected or appointed officials of the City. Three of the five electors shall be appointed by Council; and two of the five electors shall be appointed by the Mayor. Beginning January 2, 1997, one of the five electors will be appointed by Council for three years, one will be appointed by Council for two years, one will be appointed by Council for one year; one will be appointed by the Mayor for three years and one will be appointed by the Mayor for two years. Thereafter, each January 2 (if January 2 is a Sunday, then January 3) and as the terms expire, appointments shall be made for a term of three years by the respective appointing authorities for the position for which the term is ending. (Ord. 0011-2010. Passed 2-1-10.)
- (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 LANDSCAPE BOARD THAT HAS BEEN ABSENT FROM THREE (3) 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 FORTY-FIVE 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 FORTY-FIVE DAYS AFTER THE DATE SUCH VACANCY OCCURS, THE MAYOR SHALL MAKE THE APPOINTMENT TO THE BOARD FOR THE UNEXPIRED TERM

154.02 ORGANIZATION.

Council shall establish the date, time and place for the first meeting each year, at which the Landscape Board shall organize. The Mayor shall preside at this meeting until the chairman is elected. The Landscape Board shall choose its own officers, establish its own rules of operation, and maintain a record of its proceedings and actions. A majority of the members shall be a quorum for the transaction of business. Meetings must be held a minimum of four (4) times a year and shall be open to the public. (Ord. 0110-2012. Passed 6-4-12.)

154.03 DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES.

It shall be the responsibility of the Landscape Board to study, investigate, counsel and develop and/or update and administer a written plan for the care, preservation, pruning, planting, replanting, removal or disposition of trees and shrubs in parks, along streets and in other public areas with such trees and shrubs being designated street trees or park trees. Such plan shall be reviewed and presented to Council every three (3) years. Upon Council acceptance and approval the plan shall constitute the official Comprehensive Landscape Plan for the City. The Board, when requested by Council, shall consider, investigate, make findings, report and recommend upon any special matter or question coming within the scope of its work, and shall perform such other duties as may be prescribed by these Codified Ordinances. (Ord. 0011-2010. Passed 2-1-10.)

154.04 PUBLIC LANDSCAPE TRUST FUND.

Members of the Landscape Board shall act collectively as trustees of the Public Landscape Trust Fund and may not delegate or relinquish responsibility for the fund except as defined herein. (Ord. 0011-2010. Passed 2-1-10.)