



To: City Council

Agenda Item #: VIII. B.

From: MJ Lamon, Project Coordinator

Action

Discussion

Date: August 5, 2015

Information

Subject: Ordinance No. 2015-11 an ordinance amending chapter 2 of the Edina city code concerning boards and commissions.

Action Requested:

Approve the ordinance and waive second reading.

Information / Background:

The attached track changes document shows recommended changes to City Code. The document indicates some smaller edits and then some more notable changes.

Notable changes are:

1. Clarifying that all uninterrupted service counts toward the total term limit. (E.g. a term limit is reached if a member serves on HRRC for three years and then immediately serves three years on the EEC.)
2. Once a board or commission member reaches his/her term limits, a one-year break is required prior to a new appointment to a board or commission.
3. Clarifying that board and commission bylaws can be changed by City Council.
4. In the Transportation Commission section, removing the Bike Edina language which is more appropriately placed in bylaws.

Attachment:

Ordinance No. 2015-11.

ORDINANCE NO. 2015-11
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 2 OF THE EDINA CITY CODE
CONCERNING BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

THE CITY OF EDINA ORDAINS:

Section 1. Section 2-80 of the Edina City Code is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 2-80. - Membership.

- (a) Regular members. Regular members of boards and commissions established by the council shall be adult residents of the city unless otherwise expressly stated by ordinance. Members who discontinue legal residency in the city shall automatically be deemed to have resigned from office as of the date of such discontinuance.
- (b) Student members. Student members shall be residents of the city and entering sophomore, junior or senior year, enrolled full time in a secondary school. Student members shall be nonvoting.

Section 2. Section 2-81 of the Edina City Code is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 2-81. - Appointment and terms of membership.

- (a) Regular members. Board and commission members shall be appointed by majority vote of the council, ~~and shall serve terms of membership not to exceed three years per term. Each m~~Members of Arts & Culture, Energy & Environment, Construction Board of Appeals, Heritage Preservation Board, Human Rights & Relations, Park Board and Transportation Commission are eligible to serve ~~two three-year terms.~~ Members except for members of the planning commission, who are eligible to serve ~~three three-year terms.~~ Members of the Board of Appeal & Equalization are eligible to serve six one-year terms. A member in good standing shall serve until a successor has been appointed.
- (b) Student members. Student members shall be appointed by majority vote of the council and are eligible to serve two one-year terms. ~~shall serve terms of membership not to exceed one year per term.~~
- (c) Resignation and removal. Members shall serve without compensation and may resign voluntarily by letter or e-mail to the City Manager or designee ~~city clerk~~ or be removed by majority vote of the council or pursuant to section 2-80 or 2-86.
- (d) Vacancies. Vacancies in membership ~~may~~shall be filled by majority vote of the council for the balance of the unexpired term.
- (e) Term of appointment to fill vacancy. A person appointed to fill a vacancy shall be eligible to serve term limits as defined in paragraph (a) two (or for planning commission, three) full terms in addition to the balance of the unexpired term.
- (f) No concurrent membership. No person may serve concurrently on more than one board or commission.
- (g) Staggered terms. Terms of membership shall be staggered so that no more than one-half of the terms on a board or commission expire in any particular year.
- (h) Change in Board or Commission Appointment. All uninterrupted board or commission service will count towards the term limit of the current position.
- (i) Total Term Limits. Regular members who complete the defined term limits in paragraph (a) are ineligible to serve on any board or commission for one year.

Section 3. Section 2-83 of the Edina City Code is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 2-83. - Organization and bylaws.

- (a) Bylaws. Each board or commission ~~shall adopt and will~~ be governed by such bylaws as approved by the City Council. ~~shall be necessary and desirable for the conduct of its activities. Bylaws shall be subject to review and approval by the council.~~
- (b) Chairperson and Vice-chairperson. Each board or commission annually shall elect from its members a chairperson and vice-chairperson to serve a term of one year. No person shall serve more than two consecutive one-year terms as chairperson of a particular board or commission. A chairperson elected to fill a vacancy shall be eligible to serve two full terms in addition to the remainder of the vacated term. There are no term limits for the position of Vice-chairperson.

Section 4. Section 2-314 of the Edina City Code is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 2-314. - Membership.

The commission shall consist of nine regular and two student members, appointed from the different geographic areas of the city. ~~One member of the commission shall also be a member of the Bike Edina Task Force or any existing similar organization, or shall otherwise have an expertise or interest in bicycling as a mode of transportation~~

Section 5. This ordinance is effective immediately upon its passage and publication.

First Reading:

Second Reading:

Published:

Attest

Debra A. Mangen, City Clerk

James B. Hovland, Mayor

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SEND TWO AFFIDAVITS OF PUBLICATION
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