

CHARTER AMENDMENT RESOLUTION NO. 2017-3

A RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF SALISBURY, MARYLAND BY DELETING THE REFERENCE TO ARTICLE 23A, §3(A) IN § SC5-1.A.(38)(a) AND REPLACING IT WITH LOCAL GOVERNMENT ARTICLE, § 6-102.

WHEREAS, the Annotated Code of Maryland is amended from time to time; and

WHEREAS, the State of Maryland repealed and transferred all of Article 23A of the Annotated Code of Maryland; and

WHEREAS, the current City Charter contains references to the prior version; and

WHEREAS, the Salisbury City Council desires to amend the City Charter to update the references to the Annotated Code of Maryland.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Salisbury City Council, by virtue of the authority granted in Article XI-E of the Constitution of Maryland, Local Government Article § 4-301 et seq. of the Annotated Code of Maryland and § SC21-1 and § SC21-2 of the Salisbury City Code, that § SC5-1.A.(38)(a) of the Salisbury City Charter is amended as follows:

§ SC5-1. – Enumeration.

A. The City of Salisbury shall have the power:

(38) Enforcement of ordinances.

(a) The Council has the power, pursuant to **[[Article 23A, §3(a)]***Local Government Article §6-102* of the Annotated Code of Maryland, to provide that violations of ordinances and resolutions of the city shall be punishable as misdemeanors, unless otherwise specified as an infraction. No penalty for such violation shall exceed a fine of one thousand dollars (\$1,000.) and imprisonment for six (6) months or such other limits as may be established by subsequent amendments to **[[Article 23A, §3(a)]***Local Government Article §6-102*. Any person subject to any fine, forfeiture or penalty has the right of appeal as is provided under the general laws of the State. The Council may provide that, if the violation is of a continuing nature and is persisted in, a conviction for one (1) violation shall not be a bar to conviction for a continuation of the offense subsequent to the first or any succeeding violation.

EXPLANATION:

* *ITALICIZED PRINT INDICATES MATERIAL ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.*

Deleted material from the existing Charter is indicated by bold double bracketed [[]] language.

AND IT BE FURTHER RESOLVED THAT in accordance with Maryland Annotated Code, Local Government Article, Subsection 4-304, the Mayor and/or the City Clerk, who are authorized to act as outlined below, shall:

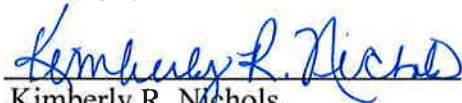
- a. Post a complete and exact copy of this Charter Amendment at the City Government Building, for at least forty (40) days after the passage of this Resolution; and
- b. Advertise a fair summary of this Resolution, which is deemed by the City Council to be the title of this Resolution, once per week for four (4) weeks in a newspaper of general circulation within the City of Salisbury beginning immediately after the passage of this Resolution.

AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Salisbury City Council that the title of this Resolution shall be deemed a fair summary of the amendments provided for herein for publication and all other purposes;

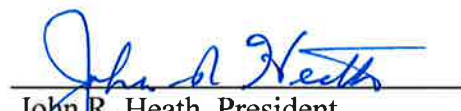
AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Salisbury City Council that this Resolution shall take effect fifty (50) days from and after the date of its final passage and that its provisions shall be implemented on the 31st day of October, 2017, subject to the right of referendum. The City Clerk, on behalf of the Mayor, is hereby directed to proceed with the posting and publication of this Resolution, and the sending of information concerning the charter amendments provided for herein to the Maryland Department of Legislative Services pursuant to the requirements of the Maryland Annotated Code, Local Government Article, Subsection 4-304.

This Resolution was introduced, read and passed at a meeting of the Salisbury City Council held on the 11th day of September, 2017.

ATTEST:



Kimberly R. Nichols,
City Clerk



John R. Heath, President
Council of the City of Salisbury

Publish: September 15, 2017
 September 22, 2017
 September 29, 2017
 October 6, 2017

MEMORANDUM

To: City Council
From: Julia Glanz, City Administrator
Subject: Reorganization- Charter and Code Changes
Date: August 2, 2017

During the FY18 Budget Process, the Mayor and I proposed a plan to reorganize the departments within our City government in order to more appropriately align them with the City's goals and objectives.

Substantial changes that constitute this reorganization include: a one-stop-shop for all development projects, the consolidation of our code enforcement officers by relocating them all to one department, a reworking and division of the legacy structure of our Public Works department, a new focus on GIS in all City departments, an independent Procurement department, and the revocation of a previous arrangement that placed Parking under Procurement's purview. This reorganization will be evident in the functionality of our City government and will have a minimal impact on the FY18 Budget.

To further explain this reorganization, all proposed City Code and Charter changes are attached for your review, as well as the ordinance necessary to accept those changes.