

ORDINANCE NO. 2450

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SALISBURY TO AMEND THE FOLLOWING SECTIONS OF TITLE 12, STREETS, SIDEWALKS AND PUBLIC PLACES, OF THE SALISBURY MUNICIPAL CODE: CHAPTER 12.32 - PEDESTRIAN MALLS, BY DELETING THE REFERENCES TO THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS IN SECTIONS .030 AND .040 AND REPLACING WITH THE DIRECTOR OF INFRASTRUCTURE AND DEVELOPMENT, AND BY DELETING THE REFERENCE TO THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS IN SECTION .060 AND REPLACING IT WITH THE DIRECTOR OF FIELD OPERATIONS AND BY DELETING THE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF BUILDING, PERMITTING AND INSPECTIONS AND THE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF BUILDING, HOUSING AND ZONING AND REPLACING BOTH OF THOSE POSITIONS WITH THE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF INFRASTRUCTURE AND DEVELOPMENT.

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the City of Salisbury desire to re-organize the departmental structure of the City of Salisbury; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Public Works is being divided into three separate departments, the Department of Infrastructure and Development, the Department of Water Works, and the Department of Field Operations as part of the reorganization structure for the City of Salisbury; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Building, Permitting and Inspections is being eliminated as part of the reorganization structure for the City of Salisbury; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Building, Housing and Zoning no longer exists; and

WHEREAS, the responsibilities of this department for the planning, permitting and licensing will be handled by the newly created Department of Infrastructure and Development; and

WHEREAS, the Salisbury City Council has concluded that it is in the best interest of the City to amend the City Code to accomplish the reorganization plan, which will not result in increased costs under the City's current budget and will allow the Departments to operate in a more efficient manne;r

NOW, THEREFORE, be it enacted and ordained by the City of Salisbury, that Chapter 12.32 of the City of Salisbury Municipal Code be amended as follows:

Chapter 12.32 – Pedestrian Malls.

12.32.030 – Promulgation of rules and regulations for mall operation and safety.

The director of **[[public works]]***infrastructure and development* is authorized and directed to install such signs, barricades and other devices as may be necessary to warn drivers of the existence of a pedestrian mall, as established in the preceding section, and to exclude vehicles therein and to promulgate rules and regulations regarding the emergency use thereof by

all self-propelled vehicles as hereinafter mentioned, which regulations shall take effect after approval thereof by the mayor and council of the city by resolution.

12.32.040 – Improvements.

The director of **[[public works]]***infrastructure and development* is authorized and directed to construct, maintain, beautify and improve such pedestrian mall areas with walkways, lawns, plantings, flower beds, reflecting pools, pavilions, structures and such other park-like improvements as will tend to promote the public safety and convenience of pedestrians and others making use of such areas.

12.32.060 – Pedestrian mall advisory committee – Membership – Duties.

- A. There is established a pedestrian mall advisory committee to serve and be appointed by the mayor, with the advice and consent of the council, consisting of seven members as follows:
1. The director of **[[public works]]***field operations*;
 2. The director of the department of **[[building, permitting and inspections]]***infrastructure and development*;
 3. A member of the planning commission;
 4. A member of the citizens advisory committee;
 5. Three persons selected from the membership of the downtown mall association.
- B. The committee shall select its own chairman, vice chairman and secretary, keep minutes of its meetings and determine the date, time, place and notices respecting the same. It shall be the duty of the committee to:
1. Draft and devices, with council approval, an architectural plan to propose a coordinated architectural theme consistent with the park-like effect of the mall itself but not necessarily uniform;
 2. Consider and recommend to city council approval or rejection of architectural treatment of building improvements and design of building fronts for structures facing upon or adjoining pedestrian malls of this city. Any plan submitted to the director of the department of **[[building, housing and zoning]]***infrastructure and development* which earns the committee's stamp of approval may be given a permit by the director of the department of **[[building, housing and zoning]]***infrastructure and development* without council review; however, any change that is inconsistent with the Fire or Building Codes must be approved by the mayor and council. Any plan which is not approved by the commission may be submitted to the council for approval;
 3. Consider and make recommendations regarding maintenance, advertising signs, improvements and physical layout of pedestrian malls and financing of the same;
 4. Consider and make recommendations to city council with respect to regulations and control of traffic in pedestrian malls, including but not limited to the use of emergency, service and utility vehicles and other approved methods of conveyance and items of special consideration.

EXPLANATION:

* *ITALICIZED PRINT INDICATES MATERIAL ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.*
Deleted material from the existing Code is indicated by bold double bracketed [[]] language.

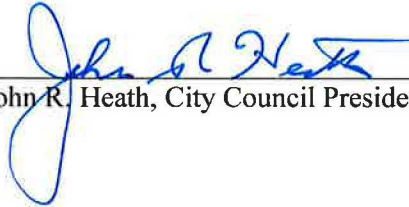
AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED AND ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF SALISBURY, MARYLAND, that the Ordinance shall take effect upon final passage.

THIS ORDINANCE was introduced and read at a meeting of the Council of the City of Salisbury held on the 11th day of September, 2017 and thereafter, a statement of the substance of the ordinance having been published as required by law, in the meantime, was finally passed by the Council on the 9th day of October, 2017.

ATTEST:

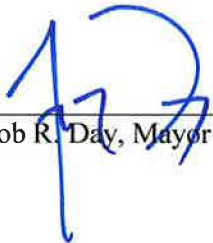


Kimberly R. Nichols, City Clerk



John R. Heath, City Council President

Approved by me, this 10th day of OCTOBER, 2017.



Jacob R. Day, Mayor



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.