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An ordinance relating to the composition of the community relations - social development commission and the term of office for commissioners.

320-23-3-0 am
320-23-3-a-2 am
320-23-4-d rc
320-23-4-f am

This ordinance:

1. Prohibits a person from serving as an appointed or elected commissioner while the person is employed by the community relations - social development commission.
2. Reduces the number of signatures required to be obtained on verified nomination papers from 200 to 50.
3. Allows election of write-in candidates.
4. Staggers the terms of elected commissioners.
5. Allows the board of commissioners to fill a vacancy occurring during the term of an elected commissioner by board election.
6. Exempts a partial term of less than 12 months from being considered a "term" for purposes of the 2-term limitation on commissioners' service.

The Mayor and Common Council of the City of Milwaukee do ordain as follows:

Part 1. Section 320-23-0 of the Code is amended to read:

320-23. Community Relations - Social Development Commission.

3. COMPOSITION. The commission shall be comprised of 18 citizens residing in the county, each of whom shall hold the title of commissioner. The commission shall be nonpartisan and shall include representatives of the clergy and minority groups. One-third of the commissioners shall be representatives of low income residents of the county; one-third of the commissioners shall be representatives of public officials; and one-third of the commissioners shall be representatives of private agencies and organizations in the county. In selecting individuals other than low income representatives to serve as commissioners, consideration shall be given to persons having expertise in legal, financial and management services needed to oversee and direct the business of the commission. >>No person may serve as an appointed or elected commissioner while that person is an employee of the commission.<<

Part 2. Section 320-23-3-a-2 of the Code is amended to read:

3. COMPOSITION.

a.

a-2. A commissioner shall be elected in each district by the residents of the district through popular election. Any resident of the district who is at least 18 years old and who presents verified nomination papers signed by at least ~~[[200]]~~ >>50<< other adult residents of the district may be a candidate in the election. >>An individual may be elected to represent a particular district by write-in ballots if satisfactory evidence is provided to establish the individual is a resident of the district and at least 18 years old.<<

Part 3. Section 320-23-4-d of the Code is repealed and recreated to read:

4. TERM OF OFFICE.

d. The term of each commissioner elected or appointed after initial election or appointment shall be 3 years, with the exception of the 2019 election of 6 low-income representatives.

d-1. The following terms apply to the 6 low-income representatives elected in 2019:

d-1-a. The commissioners elected to represent districts 1 and 2 shall serve a one-year term.

d-1-b. The commissioners elected to represent districts 3 and 4 shall serve a 2-year term.

d-1-c. The commissioners elected to represent districts 5 and 6 shall serve a 3-year term.

d-2. Any vacancy in the position of an appointed commissioner shall be filled for the unexpired term in the manner as the original appointment. Any vacancy in the position of an elected commissioner with at least 24 months left to serve shall be filled for the unexpired term in the same manner as the original election. Any vacancy in the position of an elected commissioner with fewer than 24 months left to serve may be filled by a process whereby an ad hoc nomination committee of the board presents a candidate or candidates to the board for election by the full board of commissioners to serve out the unexpired term.

Part 4. Section 320-23-4-f of the Code is amended to read:

4. TERM OF OFFICE.

f. No person may serve more than 2 consecutive terms as a commissioner, excluding service as a member of any predecessor of the commission. >>If a commissioner fills a vacancy for an un-expired term with 12 months or fewer left to serve, the un-expired term shall not count as a term with regard to the prohibition against serving more than 2 terms.<<

APPROVED AS TO FORM

Legislative Reference Bureau

Date: _____

IT IS OUR OPINION THAT THE ORDINANCE
IS LEGAL AND ENFORCEABLE

Office of the City Attorney

Date: _____

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