

**TOWN COUNCIL OF CENTREVILLE
RESOLUTION 12-2020**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF CENTREVILLE FOR THE PURPOSE
OF AMENDING THE TOWN CHARTER TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF MEMBERS OF
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF ELECTIONS; AND TERM AND MATTERS
GENERALLY RELATED THERETO**

WHEREAS, the Town Council has the authority under Article XI-E, Section 4 of the Maryland Constitution which allows for the adoption of a new charter, the amendment of any charter or local laws, or the repeal of any part of a charter or local laws; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council has the authority under Section 4-301 *et. seq.* of the Local Government Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland, which describes the process of charter amendment by resolution; and

WHEREAS, Resolution 15-2017 increased the polling hours on Election Day from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., which requires more staff; and

WHEREAS a greater representation of the citizens of Centreville will be reflected in a larger membership of the Board of Supervisors of Elections; and

WHEREAS, Section 402 will be modified to increase the number of members of the Board of Supervisors of Elections and the appointment date shall be changed to coincide with appointment dates of other Boards and Commissions; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council wishes to amend Section 402 of the Charter of the Town of Centreville to address the Number of Members of the Board of Supervisors of Elections and appointment date.

NOW THEREFORE,

Section 1. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF CENTREVILLE, that Section 402 of the Centreville Town Charter be amended as follows, with the new material **bold underlined** and material to be deleted is enclosed in double bold faced brackets **[[]]**.

Section 402 Board of Supervisors of Elections.

There shall be a Board of Supervisors of Elections consisting of **five** ~~[[three]]~~ members who shall be appointed by the Council. The Board serving at the time this Charter becomes effective shall continue to serve for its appointed term. **All new members shall be appointed on or before the first Council meeting in April** ~~[[Monday in February of each year]]~~ to serve for three years. **In order to transition from three members to five members, the fourth member shall serve a term of three years and the fifth member shall serve an initial term of two years until the succeeding member takes office.** Members of the Board of Supervisors of Elections shall be qualified voters of the town and shall not hold or be candidates for elective office during their term of office. The Board shall appoint one of its members as Chair. Vacancies on the Board shall be filled by the Council for the remainder of the unexpired term. The compensation of the members of the Board shall be determined by the Council.

Section 2. AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the date of passage of this Resolution is December 17, 2020, and the amendment of the Charter of the Town of Centreville hereby enacted shall

become effective upon February 5, 2021 (the fiftieth day after passage), unless a proper petition for referendum hereon shall be filed with the Town Council on or before the fortieth day after passage in the form and in the manner prescribed in Section 4-304(d) of the Local Government Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland.

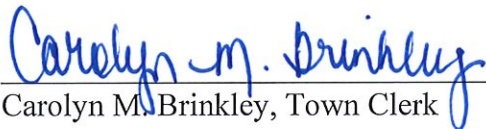
Section 3. AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Town Manager shall cause a full and exact copy of the Resolution to be continuously posted on the bulletin board of the Town Hall until January 26, 2021 (the fortieth day after passage) and that the Town Manager shall further cause a fair summary of the charter amendment enacted by this Resolution to be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the Town of Centreville at weekly intervals in each of the weeks of December 25, 2021, January 1, 2021, January 8, 2021 and January 15, 2021, 2020 and that the Town Clerk shall cause to be affixed to the minutes of this meeting appropriate certificates of publication and posting.

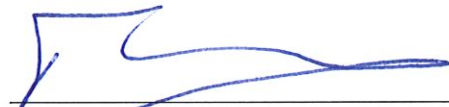
Section 4. AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Town Council of Centreville is hereby authorized and enjoined to declare this Resolution to be effective by affixing their signatures hereto in the space provided on the effective date hereof.

Section 5. AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT as soon as the Charter Amendment hereby enacted becomes effective (whether as herein provided or by referendum), the Town Manager shall cause to be delivered to the Department of Legislative Reference all the information regarding the Charter Amendment, this Resolution and any referendum held thereon as may be required by Sections 4-109 and 4-308 of the Local Government Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland.


ATTEST:


THE TOWN COUNCIL OF CENTREVILLE


Carolyn M. Brinkley, Town Clerk


Timothy E. McCluskey, President


Steven K. Kline, Vice President


Robert R. Hardy, Jr., Member


Jeffrey D. Kiel, Member


Shelby C. Anania, Member