

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING APPENDIX A OF THE CITY CODE, ENTITLED “ZONING”, ARTICLE 12, SECTION 12-705 TO EXPAND THE VOTING MEMBERSHIP OF THE BOARD OF HISTORIC AND ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW (“ARB”) TO NINE (9) MEMBERS; REDUCE THE REQUIRED NUMBER OF MEMBERS OF THE HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION APPOINTED TO THE ARB TO ONE (1) MEMBER; REQUIRE THAT TWO (2) VOTING MEMBERS OF THE ARB, AT LEAST ONE (1) OF WHOM IS A RESIDENT OF A HISTORIC DISTRICT, POSSESS KNOWLEDGE OR EXPERIENCE OF CONSTRUCTION, PROPERTY MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR, OR CONTRACTING; REQUIRE THAT ONE (1) VOTING MEMBER OF THE ARB BE APPOINTED FROM THE SOUTH NORFOLK REVITALIZATION COMMISSION; AND REQUIRE THAT ONE (1) VOTING MEMBER OF THE ARB BE APPOINTED FROM THE SOUTH NORFOLK CIVIC LEAGUE.**

WHEREAS Appendix “A” of the Chesapeake City Code, entitled “Zoning” Article 12, Section 12-705 establishes the Board of Historic and Architectural Review (“ARB”) and identifies the number and qualifications of the appointed voting members of the ARB; and

WHEREAS the Council of the City of Chesapeake finds the public necessity, convenience, general welfare and good zoning practice so require;

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Chesapeake, Virginia that Appendix “A” of the Chesapeake City Code, entitled “Zoning” Article 12, Section 12-705 be amended and reenacted as follows:

#### **ARTICLE 12 – SPECIAL OVERLAY DISTRICTS**

##### **§ 12-705. - Board of historic and architectural review.**

There is hereby created and established a board of historic and architectural review ("review board") to administer the procedural and architectural guidelines and standards adopted under this ordinance including, without limitation, the approval of certificates of appropriateness for new construction, alterations, additions, repairs, renovations, relocations and demolitions in the HC district. The review board shall be comprised of nine (9) ~~seven (7)~~ voting members

appointed by city council and one (1) city employee appointed by the review board to serve as recording secretary. The nine (9) ~~seven (7)~~ voting members shall include the following:

- (1) One (1) ~~Three (3)~~ members of the Chesapeake historic preservation commission.
- (2) Two (2) members, at least one of whom is a resident of a historic district within the City of Chesapeake, who possess knowledge or experience of construction, property maintenance and repair, or contracting;
- (3) One (1) member of the South Norfolk Revitalization Commission.
- (4) One (1) member of the South Norfolk Civic League.
- (5) Four (4) citizens of the city, of which two (2) shall be residents in a historic overlay district.

The makeup of the architectural review board shall consist of at least one (1) licensed professional architect, preferably having experience or knowledge of historic architecture, and at least four (4) persons having competency or knowledge in the fields of history, architectural history, archeology or historic preservation as demonstrated through education or related work experience. Voting members shall be appointed by city council for staggered terms of four (4) years. The review board shall elect officers, adopt procedures and bylaws and meet at such times as it may determine to be appropriate and in any event, within forty (40) days after an application for a certificate of appropriateness has been filed. All vacancies in the review board shall be filled by city council for the unexpired portion of the term.

ADOPTED by the Council of the City of Chesapeake, Virginia, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2016.

APPROVED:

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Mayor

ATTEST:

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Clerk of the Council