

CITY COUNCIL

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Subject: **Charter Resolution 296 concerning Amending Charter Sections
pertaining to Council Meeting Location & Time
(Public Hearing)**

Date: **9/6/2023**

Notice: Any comments made after 5:00 p.m. on the Thursday before the Council Meeting will not be seen in the agenda packet.

- Purpose:
- FYI
 - Read and Comment as Needed**
 - Action Required by October 2, 2023**
 - In Confidential File Drawer

Approve:

Johnny Boker Yes No No Comment
Comment: _____

Casi Boyer Yes No No Comment
Comment: _____

Vicki Jones Yes No No Comment
Comment: _____

Jim Ringsaker Yes No No Comment
Comment: _____

Jason Robertson Yes No No Comment
Comment: _____

Tammy Lynn Schneegas Yes No No Comment
Comment: _____

Note: N/A

CITY COUNCIL
OF
HAVRE DE GRACE, MARYLAND

CHARTER AMENDMENT RESOLUTION NO. 296

Introduced by Council President Ringsaker

A RESOLUTION BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF HAVRE DE GRACE, MARYLAND, ADOPTED PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY OF THE MARYLAND CONSTITUTION ARTICLE XI-E, THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ARTICLE OF THE ANNOTATED CODE OF MARYLAND, AND THE HAVRE DE GRACE CITY CHARTER SECTION 19 TO AMEND CITY CHARTER SECTIONS 28 AND 31 GENERALLY PERTAINING TO THE LOCATION AND TIME OF MEETINGS OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

On: September 5, 2023

at: 7:00 p.m.

Charter Amendment Resolution introduced, read first time, ordered posted and public hearing scheduled.

PUBLIC HEARING

A Public Hearing is scheduled for October 2, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

EXPLANATION
Underlining indicates matter added to existing law.
[Bold Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.
Amendments proposed prior to final adoption will be noted on a separate page with line references or by handwritten changes on the draft legislation.

27 NOW, THEREFORE, it is determined, decided, and resolved by the City Council that the
28 foregoing is hereby approved.

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30 1. Section 28 of the City Charter is to be amended as follows, with the words underscored to be
31 added and the words in bold and brackets to be deleted.

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33 **Section 28 Council meetings; holidays.**

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35 Beginning with the first meeting of July 2006, the Mayor and City Council shall regularly meet in
36 the Council Room of City Hall on the first and third Monday of each and every month at 7:00 p.m.
37 and shall remain in session so long as is necessary or desirable. The location and time of meetings
38 of the Mayor and City Council may be changed by the Mayor through a declaration of a state of
39 emergency or by the affirmative vote of at least four members of the City Council by roll call. In
40 the event the location of a meeting of the Mayor and City Council is changed, a quorum of the
41 City Council shall be present at the same physical location. Special meetings may be called at any
42 time by the Mayor or by four members of the City Council. If a regular meeting falls on a holiday
43 observed by the City, the meeting shall be held on the following Tuesday.

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45 2. Section 31 of the City Charter is to be amended as follows, with the words underscored to be
46 added and the words in bold and brackets to be deleted.

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48 **Section 31 Council meetings: agendas; order of business.**

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50 A. Unless the meeting location or time has been changed in accordance with Section 28 of the
51 City Charter, the Mayor and members of the City Council shall assemble in the City Council
52 Chambers at the hour fixed for the meetings of the City Council. The Mayor or, if absent, the
53 President of the City Council **[or the president pro tem]** shall take the Chair and call the meeting
54 to order.

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57 ADOPTED by the City Council of Havre de Grace, Maryland this ___ day of _____, 2023.

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59 SIGNED by the Mayor and attested by the Director of Administration this ____ day of
60 _____, 2023.

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62 ATTEST: MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
63 OF HAVRE DE GRACE
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66 Stephen J. Gamatoria
67 Director of Administration

William T. Martin
Mayor

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69 Introduced/First Reading: 9/5/2023
70 Public Hearing:
71 Second Reading/Adopted:
72 Effective Date: