

ORDINANCE NO.: 2020-47

INTRODUCED BY: Mrs. Kozminski-VanderHart

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 159, "GREEN COMMISSION" OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE CODE, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, this Council on June 9, 2010 adopted Ordinance No. 2010-46 creating a new Chapter 159 of the Codified Ordinance of the Village of Moreland Hills to assist Village government on issues of energy efficiency, recycling, and sustainability, and

WHEREAS, this Council desires to amend its Chapter 159 of the Codified Ordinances of the Village of Moreland Hills to designate that the Green Commission Chair, or his or her designee, shall serve as secretary for the Green Commission and shall take minutes and distribute them to the Clerk of Council in a timely manner and shall perform such duties as may from time to time be determined by the Green Commission.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF MORELAND HILLS, CUYAHOGA COUNTY, STATE OF OHIO, THAT:

Section 1: That Chapter 159, "Green Commission" of the Administrative Code, of the Codified Ordinances of the Village of Moreland Hills be amended to read as follows:

**"CHAPTER 159
GREEN COMMISSION.**

159.01 ESTABLISHMENT.

A Green Commission of the Village is hereby established and charged with assisting Village government on issues of energy efficiency, recycling, and sustainability.

159.02 DUTIES AND FUNCTIONS.

The Green Commission shall make recommendations to Council on issues of policy regarding energy efficiency, recycling, and sustainability. Every year the Green Commission shall conduct educational, community-wide events to inform residents on issues of sustainability. The Green Commission shall also consider other sustainability issues that may be introduced by the Mayor. Members of the Green Commission shall have no legislative authority and are responsible only for making recommendations to Council.

159.03 MEMBERS; TERM.

The Green Commission shall be comprised of the Mayor, two members of Council, a member of the Village Service Department, and seven electors of the Village, not holding other municipal office. The members of the Green Commission shall be appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by Council.

The Council representatives shall serve a two-year term. The seven electors of the Village shall each serve four-year terms. In order to provide for staggered terms, initially three of the seven electors shall serve a two-year term and the other four electors shall serve a four-year term. After the expiration of the initial two-year term, all elector members shall serve a four-year term. A vacancy occurring during the term of any member of the Green Commission shall be filled for the unexpired term in the manner authorized for the original appointment.

159.04 COMPENSATION.

Members of the Green Commission shall serve without compensation.

159.05 ORGANIZATION.

During the regular meeting held in January of each calendar year, the Green Commission shall elect a Chair who shall be an elector of the Village. The Chair shall preside at all Green Commission meetings. The ~~Clerk of Council~~ **Chair, or his or her designee**, shall serve as Secretary for the Green Commission and shall take minutes and ~~distribute~~ **forward** them to the ~~Green Commission and to Council~~ **Clerk of Council** in a timely manner. The Secretary shall perform such duties as may from time to time be determined by the Green Commission.

159.06 MEETINGS.

The Green Commission shall hold meetings as may be called by the Chair or upon the request of the Mayor, a Council representative, or at least two members of the Green Commission. A majority of the members shall be a quorum to do business. The Green Commission shall meet not less than four times each year. The Green Commission shall keep records of its proceedings and shall issue an annual report of its activities to Council.

The Clerk of Council shall distribute the meeting agenda to members of the Green Commission at least twenty-four hours prior to the scheduled meeting. The Clerk of Council shall notify the media and other persons requesting notice in writing of Green Commission meetings in accordance with the Ohio Sunshine Laws. In any matters or proceedings not covered by the foregoing rules and not governed by law or other ordinances, the proceedings shall be governed by Robert's Rules of Order."

Section 2: The actions of this Council concerning and relating to the passage of this Ordinance were adopted in an open meeting of this Council and all deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings held in compliance with all legal requirements.

Section 3: This Ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety of the residents of the Village and for the further reason that it is necessary to have the Chair, or his or her designee, serve as secretary for the Green Commission.

WHEREFORE, this Ordinance shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor.


MAYOR

PASSED: August 5, 2020

ATTEST:

Sam Scutta

CLERK