

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-41A

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A RESOLUTION to take effect immediately provided it receives the vote of at least two thirds of the members of Council, or otherwise to take effect at the earliest period allowed by law, amending Resolution 2020-41, adopted July 20, 2020, to allow Council and the Mayor to appoint one additional member each to the Anti-Racism Task Force.

WHEREAS, on July 20, 2020 Lakewood City Council adopted Resolution 2020-41 to establish the Anti-Racism Task Force in order to advise and work with the administration to ensure the value of anti-racism is foundational and unambiguously expressed in all city objectives such as safety, housing, education and culture, and community wellness; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Lakewood received approximately 30 applications by well-intentioned and well-qualified residents eager to serve on the Anti-Racism Task Force; and,

WHEREAS, both Council and the Mayor each expressed a desire to expand the task force by one member each in order to include a greater number of perspectives; and,

WHEREAS, as set forth in Section 2.12 of the Third Amended Charter of the City of Lakewood, this Council by a vote of at least two thirds of its members determines that this resolution is an emergency measure and that it shall take effect immediately, and that it is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public property, health, and safety and to provide for the usual daily operation of municipal departments in that the City wishes to engage an appropriately-sized task force immediately for the purposes stated above; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD, OHIO:

Section 1. That Resolution 2020-41, adopted July 20, 2020, currently reading as follows:

Section 1. ...

Section 2. The Anti-Racism Task Force shall be composed of nine members, five of whom shall be appointed by Council and four of whom shall be appointed by the Mayor. The appointees shall serve a two-year term, are eligible for reappointment and may select a chairperson from among them. The initial appointee's terms shall be staggered with three of the Mayor's appointees and two of Council's appointees serving one-year terms. The Mayor or any designee of her choosing shall serve as a non-voting member. The administration shall appoint a staff member for purposes of creating public notices, keeping minutes and performing other clerical duties to staff the task force.

Section 3. ...

Is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 1. ...

Section 2. The Anti-Racism Task Force shall be composed of ~~nine~~ eleven members, ~~five~~ six of whom

shall be appointed by Council and ~~four~~ five of whom shall be appointed by the Mayor. The appointees shall serve a two-year term, are eligible for reappointment and may select a chairperson from among them. The initial appointees' terms shall be staggered with three of the Mayor's appointees and two of Council's appointees serving one-year terms. The Mayor or any designee of her choosing shall serve as a non-voting member. The administration shall appoint a staff member for purposes of creating public notices, keeping minutes and performing other clerical duties to staff the task force.

Section 3. ...

Section 2. It is found and determined that all formal actions of this council concerning and relating to the passage of this resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all such deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements.

Section 3. This resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, property, health, safety and welfare in the City and for the usual daily operation of the City for the reasons set forth and defined in the preamble to this resolution, and provided it receives the affirmative vote of at least two thirds of the members of Council this resolution shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its adoption by the Council and approval by the Mayor, or otherwise it shall take effect and be in force after the earliest period allowed by law.

Adopted: 12/17/2020


DANIEL J. O'MALLEY, PRESIDENT


MAUREEN M. BACH, CLERK

Approved: 12/10/2020


MEGHAN F. GEORGE, MAYOR