

CAR-01-2024 - A Charter Resolution to Amend Section 809 "Budget Administration"

**City Council of the City of Glenarden, Maryland
2024 Legislation**

Charter Amendment Resolution No: CAR-01-2024
Sponsor: James A. Herring, Councilman, Angela D. Ferguson, Council Vice President and Kathleen J. Guillaume, Councilwoman
Co-Sponsor: _____
Public Hearing: March 21, 2024
Special Regular Session: March 28, 2024

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WHEREAS, the City of Glenarden is a municipal corporation of the State of Maryland, operating under Article XI-E of the Constitution of Maryland and §5-201 *et seq.* of the Local Government Article, Annotated Code of Maryland, as amended; and

WHEREAS, Section 809(d) of the City Charter, requires all checks issued in payment of salaries or other municipal obligations be signed by the Mayor, the Treasurer and a Council member; and

WHEREAS, the signers on checks have a fiduciary responsibility to ensure that all vendors are paid promptly and all checks are signed in a timely manner; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor has consistently refused to sign checks for certain individuals and certain companies with no justifiable reason; and

WHEREAS, failure to do so can affect the City's credit rating and credit worthiness; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor has consistently disregarded her fiduciary duty by not signing all checks that were deemed valid in accordance with Section 809 "Budget Administration" of the City Charter

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED AND ORDAINED that Section 809 "Budget Administration", be repealed, re-enacted and amended to read as follows:

Section 809 Budget Administration

(a) ***

(b) ***

(c) ***


(d) Checks. All checks issued in payment of salaries or other municipal obligations shall be issued and signed by the Treasurer, Mayor, and a TWO Councilmembers selected by the Council.


(e) ***

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NOW, THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ORDAINED, by the City Council of Glenarden, Maryland that the amendment to the Charter of the City of Glenarden, hereby proposed by this enactment, adopted this 28th day of March, 2024, shall be and become effective upon the fiftieth (50th) day after its May 17, 2024, adoption by the City Council unless petitioned to referendum in accordance with §4-301 *et seq.* of the Local Government Article, Annotated Code of Maryland, within forty (40) days following its adoption. A complete and exact copy of this Charter Resolution shall be posted in the City offices located at 8600 Glenarden Parkway, Glenarden, Maryland for forty (40) days following its adoption by the Council and a fair summary of the Charter Resolution shall be published in a newspaper having general circulation in the City not less than four (4) times, at weekly intervals, also within the forty (40) day period following its adoption by the City.

COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GLENARDEN:



Derek D. Curtis, II, Council President



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Robin Jones, Councilwoman

Approved and Effective as of May 17, 2024

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ATTEST:

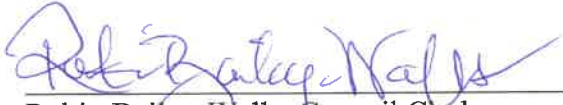


Beverly Habada, City Manager

I HEREBY CERTIFY, that on the 28th day of March, 2024 with

Yes
 No

and 0 Abstention(s) that the Resolution was Approved.



Robin Bailey-Walls, Council Clerk

Date Approved: 3/28/2024

DATE HEARING NOTICE POSTED:	<u>02/29/2024</u>
DATE OF HEARING:	<u>03/21/2024</u>
DATE OF INTRODUCTION:	<u>02/20/2024</u>
DATE PASSED/POSTED	<u>03/28/2024</u>
40-DAY POSTING END DATE	<u>05/07/2024</u>
FAIR SUMMARY NEWSPAPER (x 4)	
WEEKLY PUBLICATION DATES	<u>04/04/2024</u>
	<u>04/11/2024</u>
	<u>04/18/2024</u>
	<u>04/25/2024</u>
EFFECTIVE (50 TH DAY) DATE:	<u>May/17/2024</u>