

CITY COUNCIL
OF
HAVRE DE GRACE, MARYLAND

ORDINANCE NO. 1150

Introduced by _____ Council President Ringsaker _____

AN ORDINANCE BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF HAVRE DE GRACE, MARYLAND, ADOPTED PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY OF ARTICLE XI-E OF THE MARYLAND CONSTITUTION, THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ARTICLE OF THE ANNOTATED CODE OF MARYLAND, AND SECTIONS 33 AND 34 OF THE HAVRE DE GRACE CITY CHARTER TO AMEND CITY CODE CHAPTER 1 GENERAL PROVISIONS TO ADD NEW ARTICLE V DEFINITIONS AND RULES OF CONSTRUCTION

On: April 15, 2024

at: 7:00 p.m.

Ordinance introduced, read first time, ordered posted and public hearing scheduled.

PUBLIC HEARING

Having been posted and notice of time and place of hearing and title of Ordinance having been published according to the Charter, a public hearing was held on May 6, 2024 at 7:03 p.m., and concluded on May 6, 2024 at 7:04 p.m.

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council of Havre de Grace desire to amend City Code Chapter 1, General Provisions to add New Article V Definitions and Rules of Construction.

NOW THEREFORE, it is determined, decided, and ordained by the City Council that City Code Chapter 1, General Provisions be amended by adding new Article V as follows:

Article V Definitions and rules of construction:

§ 1-29 In interpreting and construing this Code, the following rules of construction and definitions shall be observed unless they are inconsistent with definitions specifically enumerated in another Chapter or section, inconsistent with the Council's manifest intent, or the context and usage clearly require otherwise.

§1-30 As used in this Code, the following terms shall have the meanings indicated.

- A. And/or. "And/or" means "and" and may read "or/and" or may be read "and," if the sense requires it.
- B. Designee. The person identified by a City official or employee as the agent or representative of such official or employee.
- C. Gender. Words in any section referencing the masculine gender shall include the feminine and neuter as well as the masculine and words referencing the feminine shall include the masculine and neuter as well as the feminine.
- D. May. The word "may" is permissive and discretionary.
- E. Number. Words used in the singular include the plural, and the plural includes the singular.
- F. Shall; must. The word "shall" or "must" is mandatory.
- G. Tense. Words used in the past or present tense include the future, past and present where applicable, unless the context clearly indicates otherwise.
- H. Time of performance or reference to span of time. Time of performance or any reference to span of time, when computed in days, is not intended to include Saturdays, Sundays or holidays of the state or nation. The words "calendar days" are used in those instances where the span of time is intended to include Saturdays, Sundays or holidays of the state or nation. Reference to a span of time is not intended to include the day the event occurs but shall include the last day of a period so computed, unless it is a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday, in which event the period runs until the end of the day which is neither a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday.

§1-31 Words and phrases not defined.

Words and phrases not defined in this Code shall be construed according to the common and approved usage of the language, but technical words and phrases and others that have acquired peculiar and appropriate meanings in the law shall be construed and understood according to such meanings.

ADOPTED by the City Council of Havre de Grace, Maryland this 20th day of May, 2024.

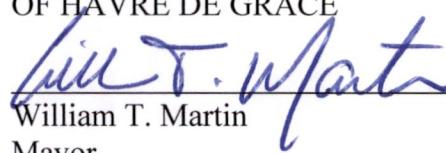
SIGNED by the Mayor and attested by the Director of Administration this 21st day of May, 2024.

ATTEST:



Christopher Ricci
Director of Administration

MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
OF HAVRE DE GRACE



William T. Martin
Mayor

Introduced/First Reading: 4/15/2024
Public Hearing: 5/6/2024
Second Reading/Adopted: 5/20/2024

Effective Date: 5/21/2024