

Local Law No. 4 of 2024

VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
VILLAGE OF PLEASANTVILLE
LOCAL LAW TO AMEND
CHAPTERS 25 OF THE CODE
OF THE VILLAGE OF PLEASANTVILLE

A LOCAL LAW to
amend Chapter 25 of
the Code of the Village
of Pleasantville
concerning Membership
of the Planning
Commission.

BE IT ENACTED by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Pleasantville as follows:

Section 1. Purpose and Authority. This local law is adopted pursuant to NY Village Law §7-718(7), which authorizes a village board of trustees to decrease membership of a planning board or planning commission from seven to five members, by local law, to take effect upon the next two expirations of terms of existing members. The Planning Commission is currently operating with six members and one vacancy. The Village Board of Trustees finds that it has become increasingly difficult to secure candidates who are qualified and interested in volunteering to serve as a member of the Planning Commission. Moreover, it is sometimes difficult to maintain a quorum due to illness, vacation schedules and commitments related to work and family that preclude regular attendance at meetings. Accordingly, the Village Board finds it to be in the best interests of the Village to reduce the membership of the Planning Commission from seven to five members.

Section 2. Chapter 25, Section 1 of the Code of the Village of Pleasantville entitled “Creation; appointment; terms” is hereby amended as follows:

§25-1 Creation; appointment; terms.

There is hereby created a Planning Commission, ~~which shall consist of seven members~~. The membership of the Planning Commission is hereby decreased from seven to five. The decrease to five members shall take effect upon the expiration of the next two terms (to wit: April 2024), at which time the Planning Commission shall consist of five members. Members are appointed by the Mayor subject to the approval of the Village Board of Trustees, including the Mayor. The present members shall continue in office until the expiration of their respective terms, or until resignation or removal for cause. At the expiration of such terms, the terms of office of their successors shall be for three years, and all appointments to fill vacancies shall be for the unexpired term.

Section 3. Ratification, Readoption and Confirmation.

Except as specifically modified by the amendments contained herein, the Charter of Village of Pleasantville is otherwise to remain in full force and effect and is otherwise ratified, readopted and confirmed.

Section 4. Numbering for Codification.

It is the intention of the Village of Pleasantville and it is hereby enacted that the provisions of this Local Law shall be included in the Charter of the Village of Pleasantville; that the sections and subsections of this Local Law may be re-numbered or re-lettered by the Codifier to accomplish such intention; that the Codifier shall make no substantive changes to this Local Law; that the word “Local Law” shall be changed to “Chapter,” “Section” or other appropriate word as required for codification; and that any such rearranging of the numbering and editing shall not affect the validity of this Local Law or the provisions of the Charter affected thereby.

Section 5. Severability.

The provisions of this Local Law are separable and if any provision, clause, sentence, subsection, word or part thereof is held illegal, invalid or unconstitutional, or inapplicable to any person or circumstance, such illegality, invalidity or unconstitutionality, or inapplicability shall not affect or impair any of the remaining provisions, clauses, sentences, subsections, words or parts of this Local Law or their petition to other persons or circumstances. It is hereby declared to be the legislative intent that this Local law would have been adopted if such illegal, invalid or unconstitutional provision, clause, sentence, subsection, word or part had not been included therein, and if such person or circumstance to which the Local Law or part hereof is held inapplicable had been specifically exempt there from.

Section 6. Effective Date.

This local law shall take effect immediately upon filing with the Office of the Secretary of State.