

Proposed Local Law Number 7 Of 2013

County Of Ulster

A Local Law Amending Local Law No. 2 Of 2006 (A Local Law Adopting A County Charter Form Of Government For The County Of Ulster, State Of New York) And Amending Local Law No. 10 Of 2008 (A Local Law Adopting An Administrative Code For The County Of Ulster, State Of New York), To Update The Term Of Membership To The Environmental Management Council

BE IT ENACTED, by the County Legislature of the County of Ulster, New York, as follows:

SECTION 1. LEGISLATIVE INTENT AND FINDINGS.

The Ulster County Legislature finds that the respective members of the Environmental Management Council have dedicated their time and energy to the preservation and protection of Ulster County's largest asset, its environment and should be allowed to continue to service devoid of unnecessary statutory restrictions.

As required by Section 47-0105 of the New York State Environmental Conservation Law, these members represent the City, Town and Village Conservation Advisory Councils within the County as recommended by the leaders of these communities.

In addition, Section 47-0105 of the New York State Environmental Conservation Law states, "*Additional members as the county appointing authority may provide, shall be appointed to serve at the pleasure of the county appointing authority, for a term not to exceed two years.*"

SECTION 2. Section C-111 of the Ulster County Charter is AMENDED to read as follows:

"There shall be an Ulster County Environmental Management Council comprised of one member from each city, town and village environmental council and commission within the County, nominated by the governing body of that city, town or village and appointed by the County Executive with the confirmation of the Legislature for a term of three years, and up to an equal number of at-large appointees appointed by the County Executive with the confirmation of the Legislature for a term of ~~three~~ **two** years, and the County Director of Planning, serving ex officio. The presiding officer of the Environmental Management Council shall be chosen annually by its members from among their members but shall not be an employee of the County of Ulster. ~~Except those in an ex-officio capacity, no person may serve on the Environmental Management Council for more than six years.~~ Members of the Ulster County Environmental Management Council shall receive no compensation for services rendered but shall be

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entitled to their reasonable and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their duties, within appropriations made for such purposes”,

SECTION 3. SECTION A35-1 of the Ulster County Administrative Code is hereby AMENDED to read to read as follows:

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SECTION 4. SEVERABILITY

In the event that any portion of this local law is found to be invalid, such finding will not have any effect on either the remaining portions or applications of this local law or any provisions of the Ulster County Charter, which shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 5. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This local law shall take effect immediately upon filing with the New York State Secretary of State and shall not affect the current term of any existing member.