

Section 29, of the aforesaid Charter as set forth in the Code of the Public Local Laws of Prince George's County (Article 17 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland) Everstine's 1963 Edition, as amended and registered pursuant to Article 23A, Section 11, et seq., Annotated Code of Maryland, 1957, as amended.

WHEREAS, the Honorable John F. King, Mayor of the City of New Carrollton, appointed a Task Force on Governmental Reorganization on June 5, 1969, for the purpose of reviewing the Charter of the City of New Carrollton, and recommending to the Mayor and Council changes designed to result in efficient and effective government within the corporate limits of the municipality; and

WHEREAS, said Task Force consisted of the Honorable Doctor Frank B. Pesci, Chairman, Mrs. Virginia Stearn, Mr. Gerard F. Holcomb, Mr. William S. Van Dyke, and Mr. Ralph J. Rohner; and

WHEREAS, said Task Force did submit its report to the Mayor on February 26, 1970; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council having carefully reviewed the report of the Task Force, placed the following advisory questions pertaining to the Charter on the ballot in the General Election of May, 1970;

1. Question: The Mayor shall be the Chief Executive Officer of the City of New Carrollton. The Council shall be the Legislative body for the City of New Carrollton. Results: 707 For, 469 Against.

2. Question: Do you favor a recall provision in the City Charter Results: 596 For, 429 Against.

3. Question: Do you favor strengthening the special assessment provision in our City Charter to insure that special assessments for all public improvements may only be made on approval of 51% of the abutting property owners? Results: 750 For, 374 Against; and

WHEREAS, following the General Election at which the aforesaid advisory questions were voted on, the Mayor and Council submitted the Task Force Report to the Maryland Technical Advisory Service, College of Business and Public Administration, University of Maryland, for comments; and

WHEREAS, the Maryland Technical Advisory Service submitted a draft of proposed revisions of the Charter in accordance with the requests with the Mayor and Council; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council carefully studied and reviewed all of the aforementioned data pertaining to the Charter during the period July, 1970, through November, 1970, and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council held a public hearing on proposed changes to the Charter on February 10, 1971; an open meeting to discuss said provisions on February 17, 1971; and a second public hearing on March 11, 1971; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council have prepared eight proposed amendments to the Charter of the City;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that on the 17th day of March, in the year of our Lord, One Thousand, Nine Hundred and Seventy-