PROPOSED CHAPTER 289

Bexley Land Use Strategy Commission

289.01 Mission.

The mission of the Bexley Land Use Strategy Commission is to develop a strategic planning framework and land-use vision for the City of Bexley that protects and enhances our unique community assets by:

- Identifying and addressing short and long term planning options and land-use challenges.
- Recommending opportunities for civic improvement and beautification through land-use policies and initiatives.

289.02 Convening, Appointment, and Expiration.

At such a time as the Mayor and City Council deem it necessary to re-convene a Land Use Strategy Commission in order to refresh the Land Use Strategy, the Mayor shall, subject to confirmation by Council, and in accordance with Section 8(f) of the City Charter, appoint a Land Use Strategy Commission. The voting membership shall consist of no more than 10 persons confirmed by Council, as well as the Mayor, the chairperson of the Strategic Committee, and the chairperson of the Zoning and Development Committee of Bexley Council.

All of the voting members shall be electors of the City. No more than two (2) members of Council may be voting members of the commission. The President of Council, the Chair of the Architectural Review Board, and the Chair of the Board of Zoning and Planning shall be ex officio members who may attend and participate, but shall not vote, at meetings of the Commission.

Upon completion of a Land Use Strategy refresh and its adoption by Council, the Land Use Strategy Commission shall expire until such a time as a new Commission is convened.

289.03 Durability of the Strategy

The most recently adopted Land Use Strategy shall serve as a component of the City's Strategic Plan until such a time as it is replaced or revoked by Council. Additionally, the Land Use Strategy shall serve as the Plan of the City and the Bexley Community Improvement Corporation, in accordance with ORC 1724.10 (B) (1).

CURRENT CHAPTER 289

Bexley Land Use Strategy Commission

289.01 Establishment and membership.

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289.01 ESTABLISHMENT AND MEMBERSHIP.

(a) There is established, in and for the City, a Bexley Land Use Strategy Commission consisting of nine (9) to eleven (11) voting members, appointed by the Mayor, subject to confirmation by Council, in accordance with Section 8(f) of the City Charter.

The voting membership shall consist of nine (9) to eleven (11) persons confirmed by Council, as well as the chairperson of the Zoning Development Committee of Bexley Council. All of the voting members shall be electors of the City. No more than two (2) members of Council may be voting members of the commission. The Mayor, or a designee of the Mayor, the President of Council, the City Development Director, the Chair of the Architectural Review Board, and the Chair of the Board of Zoning and Planning shall be ex officio members who may attend and participate, but shall not vote, at meetings of the Commission.

- (b) Voting members shall serve a term commencing with the effective date of their appointment and ending on December 31, 2010.
- (c) By the fifteenth day of July in 2014 and by the fifteenth day of July every six years thereafter, the Zoning and Development Committee of City Council must review the established Bexley Land Use Strategy. At the time of their review, the Zoning and Development Committee of City Council must review the established Bexley Land Use Strategy, and must determine the need for the re-establishment of the Bexley Land Use Strategy Commission, should the existing Strategy require amendment.

289.02 ORGANIZATION.

- (a) The Commission shall select one voting member as chairperson. Additionally, the Commission shall select one voting member as vice chairperson.
- (b) All Commission members shall serve without compensation. Vacancies caused by death, resignation, removal or otherwise, shall be filled for the unexpired term in the same manner as the original appointment.
- (c) The Commission shall meet regularly at such time and place as it shall decide and shall meet at such special meetings as shall be called by the chairperson or vice chairperson after twenty-four hours notice to each member.

The Commission may appoint committees comprised of not less than three (3) members to consider specific issues and an unlimited number of ex officio members who may attend and participate, but shall not vote, at meetings of such committee. All

meetings of the Commission and its committees shall be open to the general public, except as provided by Chapter 223.

(d) The Commission and its committees shall keep minutes of their proceedings.

289.03 DUTIES AND FUNCTIONS.

- (a) The Commission shall:
- (1) Review identifiable land use plans and studies performed for the City over the past 20 years, and prepare a synopsis of the same.
- (2) Prepare and submit to Council for its prior approval a budget, reflecting a combination of public and private funding, for development of the Plan and inclusion in appropriations for the calendar year 2009 and/or 2010, as appropriate. The Commission may request appropriations from the City.
- (3) Have the ability of solicit and receive gifts and contributions in the name of the City to fund the Commission and the Plan.
- (4) Consult with real estate and planning experts regarding appropriate uses throughout the City.
- (5) Organize and host public forums to solicit input from residents of the City regarding land use within the City.
- (6) Based on the above, prepare a Land Use Strategy for submission to Council. Such plan shall include a Land Use Strategy map, as well as an accompanying narrative report.
- (7) Select and retain one or more consultants, in accordance with applicable law, to assist the Commission in developing the Strategy.
 - (8) Submit the Plan to Council on or before July 30, 2010.