

ORDINANCE NO: 2022-16

INTRODUCED BY: Mr. Emerman

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 159, "GREEN COMMISSION," OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE VILLAGE OF MORELAND HILLS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, this Council by adopting Ordinance 2010-46 created a new Chapter 159 of the Codified Ordinances of the Village of Moreland Hills to create the Green Commission to promote the sustainability of fragile natural resources within the Village; and

WHEREAS, this Council desires to amend Chapter 159 to provide for the appointment of a participant in the Moreland Hills Student Civic Leadership Program ("Program") as a voting member of the Green Commission for a one year term in accordance with the provisions of the Program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF MORELAND HILLS, COUNTY OF CUYAHOGA, STATE OF OHIO:

Section 1. That Chapter 159 of the Codified Ordinances of the Village of Moreland Hills, "Green Commission," be amended to read as follows:

"CHAPTER 159 GREEN COMMISSION.

159.01 ESTABLISHMENT

A Green Commission of the Village of Moreland Hills is hereby established and charged with assisting Village government on issues of energy efficiency, recycling, and sustainability.

159.02 DUTIES AND FUNCTIONS

The Green Commission shall make recommendations to Council on issues of policy regarding energy efficiency, recycling, and sustainability. Every year the Green Commission shall conduct educational, community-wide events to inform residents on issues of sustainability. The Green Commission shall also consider other sustainability issues that may be introduced by the Mayor. Members of the Green Commission shall have no legislative authority and are responsible only for making recommendations to Council.

159.03 MEMBERS; TERM

The Green Commission shall be comprised of the Mayor, two members of Council, a member of the Village Service Department, and seven electors of the Village, not holding other municipal office. The Members of the Green Commission shall be appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by Council. **In addition to the foregoing members of the Green Commission, one high school student residing in Moreland Hills who has been selected by Council to**

participate in the Village's Student Civic Leadership Program may serve as a voting member of the Commission for one year in accordance with the provisions of the Program.

The Council representatives shall serve a two-year term. The seven electors of the Village shall each serve four-year terms. In order to provide for staggered terms, initially three of the seven electors shall serve a two-year term and the other four electors shall serve a four-year term. After the expiration of the initial two-year term, all elector members shall serve a four-year term. A vacancy occurring during the term of any member of the Green Commission shall be filled for the unexpired term in the manner authorized for the original appointment.

159.04 COMPENSATION

Members of the Green Commission shall serve without compensation.

159.05 ORGANIZATION

During the regular meeting held in January of each calendar year, the Green Commission shall elect a Chair who shall be an elector of the Village. The Chair shall preside at all Green Commission meetings. The Clerk of Council shall serve as Secretary for the Green Commission and shall take minutes and distribute them to the Green Commission and to Council in a timely manner. The Secretary shall perform such duties as may from time to time be determined by the Green Commission.

159.06 MEETINGS

The Green Commission shall hold meetings as may be called by the Chair or upon the request of the Mayor, a Council representative, or at least two members of the Green Commission. A majority of the members shall be a quorum to do business. The Green Commission shall meet not less than four times each year. The Green Commission shall keep records of its proceedings and shall issue an annual report of its activities to Council.

The Clerk of Council shall distribute the meeting agenda to members of the Green Commission at least twenty-four (24) hours prior to the scheduled meeting. The Clerk of Council shall notify the media and other persons requesting notice in writing of Green Commission meetings in accordance with the Ohio Sunshine Laws. In any matters or proceedings not covered by the foregoing rules and not governed by law or other ordinances, the proceedings shall be governed by Robert's Rules of Order."

Section 2. Existing Chapter 159, "Green Commission," of the Codified Ordinances of the Village of Moreland Hills, as it existed prior to the effective date of this Ordinance, is hereby repealed.

Section 3: That the actions of this Council concerning and relating to the passage of this legislation were adopted in an open meeting of this Council and that all

deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements.

WHEREFORE, this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after the earliest time allowed by law.

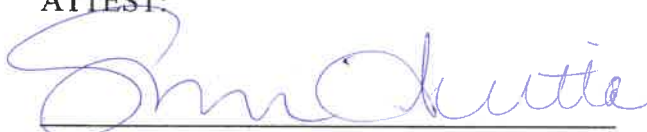


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Mayor

PASSED: March 9, 2022

ATTEST:



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CLERK