

THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF BOONSBORO

CHARTER RESOLUTION 2020-09

CHARTER AMENDMENT

RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE TOWN TO REVISE SECTION 401(27) (POWERS OF THE TOWN ENUMERATED - FRANCHISES), FOR THE PURPOSE OF REPLACING THE CITATION TO A REPEALED PROVISION OF THE ANNOTATED CODE OF MARYLAND WITH A REFERENCE TO APPLICABLE LAW, AND TO BROADEN THE SCOPE OF AUTHORIZED FRANCHISES TO INCLUDE OTHER COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Charter of The Mayor and Council of Boonsboro be and is amended as follows:

(27) Franchises. To grant and regulate franchises to water companies, electric light companies, gas companies, telegraph and telephone companies, transit companies, taxicab companies and any others which may be deemed advantageous and beneficial to the town, subject to the limitations and provisions of [Article 23 of the Annotated Code of Maryland] **APPLICABLE LAW**; to grant one or more exclusive or non-exclusive franchises for a community antenna system, [or other] cable television, OR **COMMUNICATIONS** system that utilizes any public right-of-way, highway, street, road, lane, alley or bridge, to impose franchise fees, and to establish rates, rules and regulations for franchises granted under this section. No franchise shall be granted for a longer period than fifty years. (Provisions to be added are shown in capital letters; provisions to be repealed are enclosed in boldface brackets.)

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that unless a petition meeting the requirements of Section 4-304(d) of the Local Government Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland is presented to the Mayor and Council on or before the 40th day after the Mayor and Council adopts this Charter Amendment Resolution, the Amendment

shall take effect as part of the Municipal Charter of the Town
on the 50th day after the Resolution is adopted.

WITNESS/ATTEST:

THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL
OF BOONSBORO

Heather Slough
Heather Slough, Clerk

By: Howard W. Long
Howard W. Long, Mayor

(SEAL)

Rickard Byrd
Rickard Byrd, Assistant Mayor

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Marilee Kerns, Councilmember

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Rick Weaver, Councilmember

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Ray Hanson, Councilmember

INTRODUCED: July 13, 2020

APPROVED: July 13, 2020

EFFECTIVE: September 1, 2020