## CITY COUNCIL

**OF** 

## HAVRE DE GRACE, MARYLAND

Charter Amendment Resolution 294

Introduced by	Council President Ringsaker	
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A RESOLUTION BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF HAVRE DE GRACE, MARYLAND, ADOPTED PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY OF THE MARYLAND CONSTITUTION ARTICLE XI-E, THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ARTICLE OF THE ANNOTATED CODE OF MARYLAND, AND THE HAVRE DE GRACE CITY CHARTER SECTION 19, AMENDING IN PART SECTION 37 G. OF THE CITY CHARTER, GENERALLY PERTAINING TO THE EXECUTION OF THE ANNUAL BUDGET ORDINANCE; AUTHORIZING CERTAIN PERSONNEL TO ENTER INTO CERTAIN AGREEMENTS; AUTHORIZING THE CREATION OF ADMINISTRATIVE RULES AND PROCEDURES TO CARRY OUT SUBSECTION

On: <u>April 17, 2023</u> at: 7:00 p.m.

Charter Amendment Resolution introduced, read first time, ordered posted and public hearing scheduled.

## **PUBLIC HEARING**

Having been posted and notice of time and place of hearing and title of Charter Amendment having been published according to the Charter, a public hearing was held on \_\_\_\_\_ May 15, 2023 at 7:05 p.m. \_\_, and concluded on \_\_\_\_ May 15, 2023 at 7:06 p.m.

## EXPLANATION

<u>Underlining</u> indicates matter added to existing law.

[Bold Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Amendments proposed prior to final adoption will be noted on a separate page with line references or by handwritten changes on the draft legislation. **NOW, THEREFORE**, it is determined, decided, and resolved by the City Council that the foregoing is hereby approved.

1. Section 37 G. of the City Charter is to be amended as follows, with the words <u>underscored</u> to be added and the words in **[bold and brackets]** to be deleted.

Adding in part to section 37 G. Budget ordinance; how made.

G. The Director of Administration, or an officer or an employee under his direction, may expend money and/or enter into a contract for the purpose of obtaining goods or services that the City Council approved budget ordinance has appropriated for the respective fiscal year. No officer or employee of the City shall expend money that is not appropriated or contract or incur a liability for any purpose which would cause proposed expenditures to rise above anticipated revenues or would have required the passage of a budget amendment transfer prior to the expenditure, contract or liability. The Charter does not permit any such expenditure; contract or liability and the City may declare the same null and void. This section does not apply to the spending of money for the bonding of the capital improvements or contracts for leases or services that exceed the length of the budget year. The mayor or the directors established in the City Charter may establish administrative rules and procedures to carry out the provisions found in this subsection.

ADOPTED by the City Council of Havre de Grace, Maryland this 5th day of June, 2023.

SIGNED by the Mayor and attested by the Director of Administration this 6th day of June, 2023.

ATTEST:

Stephen J. Gamatoria

Director of Administration

MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

OF HAVRE DE GRACE

William T. Martin

Mayor

Introduced/First Reading:

4/17/2023

Public Hearing:

5/15/2023

Second Reading/Adopted:

6/5/2023

Effective Date:

7/25/2023

The effective date is the 50<sup>th</sup> day after adoption by City Council if a referendum is not presented 40 days after the Charter amendment. Council cannot suspend the time requirements as this is a State law requirement.