

PROPOSED FIRST AMENDED ORDINANCE 46 - 15

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An ordinance to specify the composition and appointment process for members of the Southwest Bexley Master Plan Update Steering Committee.

WHEREAS, On February 26, 2002, via Ordinance 06-02, Bexley City Council appropriated for and authorized the study and development of a Master Plan for the southwest area of the City; and

WHEREAS, the original SWBMP steering committee was designed to consist of the following nine members:

- City Council member
- Planning Commission member
- Main Street Redevelopment Commission member
- Board of Zoning Appeals member
- Chamber of Commerce member
- Capital University representative
- Trinity Lutheran Seminary representative
- Bexley resident members (2 members); and

WHEREAS, the Southwest Bexley Master Plan was endorsed by the steering committee on August 29, 2002; approved by the Main Street Redevelopment Commission on November 5, 2003; approved by the Board of Zoning Appeals on November 13, 2003; approved by the Planning Commission on November 24, 2003; and adopted by City Council on November 25, 2003; and

WHEREAS, Many of the recommendations of the Southwest Bexley Master Plan have been enacted or are continuing to be enacted, including:

- Adjustment of zoning to match plan
- Creation of a Bexley Community Improvement Corporation
- Creation of enhanced gateways on Main Street
- Tax abatement management
- Encouragement of Mixed-use commercial/residential on Main Street
- Enhancement of Mound Street by Capital University
- Creation of Alum Creek Riparian Corridor Protections
- Acquisition of Alum Creekside land for recreational use
- Acquisition of property at Ferndale/Mayfield by City to assist in redevelopment (pending ordinance - 2015); and

WHEREAS, the Southwest Bexley Master Plan was created in the anticipation that it would be revisited: "This plan is based on conditions and trends that exist today. Beyond the near-term plans for initiating the actions proposed herein, new issues and questions will arise regularly. As a result, it is expected that this plan will be reviewed and periodically updated. Such future revisions and decision-making will be supported by the results, experiences, and insights gained through the implementation of the Southwest Bexley Master Plan" (Southwest Bexley Master Plan, Page 3); and

WHEREAS, The City of Bexley is partnering with Capital University and Trinity Lutheran Seminary to update the Southwest Bexley Master Plan, in order to address any new issues and/or questions that have arisen since the adoption of the plan in 2003;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BEXLEY:

Section 1.

The the Mayor and Auditor are hereby authorized and directed to enter into a contract on behalf of the City to study and develop an update to the Southwest Bexley Master Plan.

Section 2.

That the Auditor is hereby authorized and directed to accept contributions from Capital University and Trinity Lutheran Seminary or others to reimburse the City for approximately 50% of the costs of the contract authorized by Section 1 hereof.

Section 3.

That the steering committee for the Southwest Bexley Master Plan update shall consist of nine members who are selected based upon the following criteria and appointment process:

Voting Membership Criteria:

City Council member
Board/Commission member*
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Chamber of Commerce member
Capital University representative
Trinity Seminary representative
South Bexley resident member
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Process for Appointment:

Strategic Committee Chair
Mayor appointment / Confirmed by Council
Mayor appointment / Confirmed by Council
Appointee of the Chamber of Commerce
Appointee of Capital University
Appointee of Trinity Lutheran Seminary
Council President appointment / Confirmed by Council
Mayor appointment / Confirmed by Council
Appointee of the South Bexley Neighborhood Association

Ex-Officio Members:

Mayor of the City of Bexley
President of Bexley City Council
Superintendent and/or School Board Member of the Bexley City School District
Director of the Bexley Public Library

Up to two additional *ex-officio* members may be appointed by the SWBMP Update Steering Committee by majority vote of the Committee.

**"Board/Commission member" means a currently serving member of Bexley's Planning Commission, Board of Zoning Appeals, Tree and Public Gardens Commission, Recreation Board, Board of Zoning Appeals and Planning ("BZAP" – proposed board), or Architectural Review Board (proposed board).*

Section 4.

That this Ordinance shall go into effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

Passed: _____, 2015

Richard Sharp, President of Council

Attest: _____
Clerk of Council

Approved: _____, 2015

Ben Kessler, Mayor