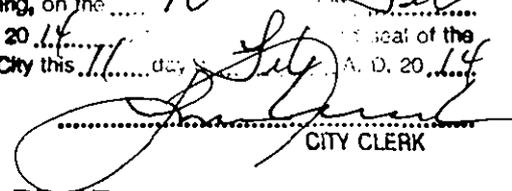


BILL NO. 17 2014

AN ORDINANCE

I, LUNDA A. KELLEHER, City Clerk of the City of Reading, Pa., do hereby certify, that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the original Ordinance passed by the Council of the City of Reading, on the 10 day of July, A. D. 2014.  
I, Lunda A. Kelleher, City Clerk of the said City this 11 day of July, A. D. 2014.



CITY CLERK

**AN ORDINANCE DIRECTING THE BERKS COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS TO PLACE A REFERENDUM QUESTION BEFORE CITY VOTERS ON THE 2014 PRIMARY BALLOT WHICH WOULD AMEND THE CITY OF READING HOME RULE CHARTER TO ALLOW ONE PERSON TO SERVE ON TWO (2) BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS.**

**WHEREAS**, Section 1002 (c) of the City of Reading Home Rule Charter provides for the qualifications for board and commission membership; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 1002 (c) currently provides that “no person may concurrently serve on more than one authority, board, or commission”; and

**WHEREAS**, a duly appointed Charter Review Commission has recommended that said aforementioned limitation be amended as set forth in Exhibit A (attached hereto).

**NOW, THEREFORE, THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF READING HEREBY ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:**

**SECTION 1.** Directing the Berks County Board of Elections to place the following referendum question to voters of the City of Reading on the 2014 primary ballot unless space limitations require placing same to the voters on the 2014 general election ballot:

**Home Rule Charter Section 1002 (c) – Membership Qualifications**

“Shall Section 1002 (c) of the Reading City Charter be amended to allow one person to serve on two boards or commissions concurrently, and to remove the present restriction allowing one person to serve on only one board or commission at a time?”

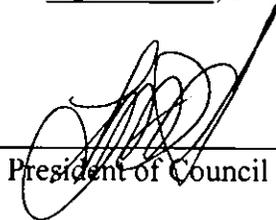
Simple Explanation

The original City of Reading Home Rule Charter limits a person to serve on only one board or commission at any given time. The proposed amendment will increase the number to two boards and commissions that a person may concurrently serve as a

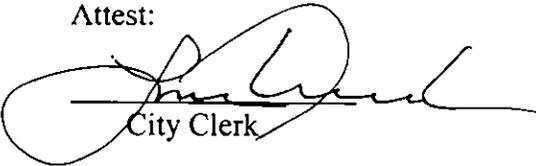
member. The amendment will expand eligibility to those that are currently ineligible to participate as board and commission members.

**SECTION 2.** This ordinance shall become effective ten (10) days after its adoption, in accordance with Section 221 of the City of Reading Home Rule Charter.

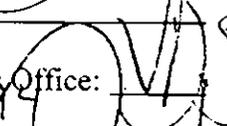
Enacted Feb 10, 2014

  
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President of Council

Attest:

  
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City Clerk

Submitted to Mayor:   
Date: 2/11/14

Received by Mayor's Office:   
Date: 2/11/14

Approved by Mayor:   
Date: 2/11/14

Vetoed by Mayor: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Exhibit A

**Section 1002. Membership.**

(c) **Qualifications.** As a general rule, members of boards and commissions shall be residents of the City. At the discretion of Council, persons not residents of the City, but who have a significant property or business interest in the City, may be selected to serve. [No person may concurrently serve on more than one authority, board, or commission.] No person may concurrently serve on more than two boards or commissions. A person may serve on two boards or commissions only if there is no conflict of interest in doing so.