



CITY OF PLEASANT VALLEY - ORDINANCE #8
(AMENDED Dec. 17, 2008, AMENDED Mar. 20, 2013)

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A CITY PLANNING COMMISSION

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PLEASANT VALLEY:

A. Paragraph 4 of ORDINANCE NO. 8 of the City of Pleasant Valley is hereby repealed and the following paragraph is hereby substituted in its place by Amendment 27 and Amendment 27A.

(1) There is hereby created and established a City Planning Commission.

(2) It is the object of this Ordinance to improve the present health, safety, convenience and welfare of the future development of their community to the end that highway systems be carefully planned; that new community centers grow only with adequate highway, utility, health, educational and recreational facilities; that the needs of agriculture, industry and business be recognized in future growth; that residential areas provide healthy surroundings for family life; and that the growth of the community is commensurate with and promotive of the efficient and economical use of public funds.

(3) It is intended that the planning commission shall serve in an advisory capacity to the City Council.

(4) The planning commission shall consist of (twelve Amended No. 27) nine individuals, all of whom shall be (~~freeholders and~~ - Amended No. 27A) residents of the municipality, who shall be residents of the municipality, who shall be qualified by knowledge and experience in matters pertaining to the development of the municipality, appointed by the City Council. At least 3/5 of all the members must have been residents of the municipality for at least three years prior to their appointment. One member of the commission shall also be a member of City Council and one member shall be the Mayor of the municipality, the terms of these two members to be coextensive with the term of office to which they have been elected, unless the City Council and Mayor of the municipality at the first regular meeting of the commission each year designate others to serve as the municipality's representative. The remaining members of the commission first selected shall serve respectively for terms of one year, two years, and three years, divided equally as possible between these terms. Thereafter, members shall be selected for terms of three years each. Vacancies shall be filled for the unexpired term only, in the same manner as original selections are made. Members of the commission shall serve without compensation, but shall be reimbursed for all reasonable and necessary expenses actually incurred in the performance of their official duties. The Commission may set rules of attendance for its members, and the City Council may remove members for violation of the attendance requirements adopted by the commission. (Amended - No. 27).

(5) The commission shall fix the time for holding regular meetings, but it shall meet at least in the months of January, April, July, and October. Special meetings of the commission may be called by the president or by at least two members upon written requests to the secretary. Whether called by the president or by two or more members, the secretary shall send to all members, at least two days in advance of a special meeting, a written notice fixing the date, time and place of the special meeting having been fixed in a regular meeting, or if all members are present in the special meeting.

(6) In order to conduct a commission meeting, a quorum of the members must be present. The majority of the members of the commission shall constitute a quorum. No action of the commission shall be official unless authorized by a majority of the members present at a regularly or properly called special meeting.

(7) The City Council shall provide the commission with suitable offices for the holding of meetings and the preservation of plans, maps, documents, and accounts, and shall provide by appropriation a sum sufficient to defray the reasonable expenses of the commission.

(8) At the first regular meeting in each year the commission shall elect from its members a president and a vice president. The vice president shall have the power and authority to act as president of the commission during the absence or disability of the president.

(9) The Commission may appoint and prescribe the duties and fix the compensation of a secretary and such employees as are necessary for the discharge of the duties and responsibilities of the commission. All such compensation, however, shall be in conformity to and in compliance with the salaries and compensation therefore fixed by the City Council.

(10) The commission may make contracts for special or temporary services and any professional legal counsel.

(11) The planning commission shall have all powers and perform all duties provided for in West Virginia Code 8-24-1 et seq., and such provisions are incorporated herein and made a part hereof by reference.

(12) This ordinance shall be effective upon passage.

ORDINANCE NO. 8 PASSED November 10, 1999.

Signed by Jack Bish
Mayor

ATTEST:
Signed by Betty V. Waggoner
City Clerk

ORDINANCE NO. 27 PASSED December 17, 2008.

Signed by Jack Bish
Mayor

ATTEST:

Signed by Rebecca Teets
City Clerk

ORDINANCE NO. 27A PASSED March 20, 2013.

Signed by Barbara Metcalfe
Mayor

ATTEST:

Signed by Rebecca Teets
City Clerk