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1 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CITY CODE SECTION
2 2-3 PERTAINING TO TERM LIMITS FOR BOARD
3 AND COMMISSION MEMBERS
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5 **Sec. 2-3. - Limitation on terms of members of boards and commissions;**
6 **appointment of such members.**
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8 (a) Any person appointed to a board or commission of the city shall be limited to:

- 9 (1) Eight (8) consecutive one-year terms.
 - 10 (2) Four (4) consecutive two-year terms.
 - 11 (3) Three (3) consecutive three-year terms.
 - 12 (4) Two (2) consecutive four-year terms.
 - 13 (5) Two (2) consecutive five-year terms.
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15 The council shall limit its selections to those persons who have submitted applications
16 on forms approved by the council and on file with the city clerk. Each member of the
17 council may review the applications fifteen (15) days prior to the appointment.
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19 No person may be nominated for appointment to an initial term unless that nominee's
20 potential appointment to the board or commission was previously discussed by the City
21 Council during a prior Council meeting. Such discussion may occur during the open or
22 closed portion of the prior meeting, in accordance with the Virginia Freedom of
23 Information Act.
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25 (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (a) above, city council may, by an
26 affirmative vote of a majority of all of the councilmembers, reappoint a person to one
27 or more ~~an~~ additional terms beyond ~~that~~ those permitted by subsection (a) when, by
28 virtue of the unique qualifications of the position or other extenuating circumstances,
29 doing so would serve the best interests of the city.
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31 (c) Term limits shall not apply to appointees of the board of building code appeals. The
32 members of each division of the board of building code appeals shall serve at the
33 pleasure of city council.

Adopted by the Council of the City of Virginia Beach, Virginia, on the 1st day of
September, 2020.