Chapter 462

(House Bill 1244)

AN ACT concerning

Municipal Corporations – Planning Commissions – Meetings

FOR the purpose of requiring that a planning commission appointed by a municipal corporation shall hold certain meetings at the call of the chair of the planning commission or at certain other times determined by the planning commission; <u>quarterly or more often as the planning commission's duties require;</u> <u>authorizing the chairman of a certain planning commission to cancel a certain quarterly meeting under certain circumstances;</u> and generally relating to meetings of planning commissions appointed by municipal corporations.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments, Article 66B – Land Use Section 3.03 Annotated Code of Maryland (2003 Replacement Volume and 2009 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article 66B – Land Use

3.03.

(a) (1) A planning commission shall elect a chairman from one of the appointed members of the planning commission and create and fill its other offices as it determines appropriate.

(2) (i) The term of a chairman shall be 1 year.

(ii) A planning commission chairman may be reelected.

(b) (1) [A] EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION, A planning commission shall hold at least one regular meeting each month.

(2) (I) <u>A Except as provided in subparagraph (II) of this</u> <u>PARAGRAPH, A</u> PLANNING COMMISSION APPOINTED BY A MUNICIPAL CORPORATION SHALL HOLD MEETINGS AT THE CALL OF THE CHAIRMAN AND AT

OTHER TIMES DETERMINED BY THE PLANNING COMMISSION QUARTERLY OR MORE OFTEN AS THE PLANNING COMMISSION'S DUTIES REQUIRE.

(II) IF THERE IS NO BUSINESS BEFORE THE PLANNING COMMISSION, THE CHAIRMAN MAY CANCEL THE QUARTERLY MEETING.

(c) (1) A planning commission shall adopt rules for transacting business and shall keep records of its resolutions, transactions, findings, and determinations.

(2) The records of the resolutions, transactions, findings, and determinations of a planning commission shall be open to the public.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2010.

Approved by the Governor, May 4, 2010.