

PROPOSED ORDINANCE AMENDMENT – SECTION 2-91 OF THE DOVER CODE – DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE MAYOR (PREPARED BY MAYOR SPEED)

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR IN COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DOVER, IN COUNCIL MET:

That Chapter 2, Administration, of the Dover Code be amended by deleting Section 2-91, Duties and Responsibilities of the Mayor, in its entirety and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

Sec. 2-91. Duties and Responsibilities of the Mayor.

The mayor shall have all of those duties and responsibilities set forth in sections 14 and 53 of the Charter, and as otherwise assigned in the Charter and this Code. In addition thereto, the mayor shall be available on a full-time basis to promote the economic and social interests of the city and the general welfare of its citizens by:

1. Interacting with private citizens, city employees, business people, and other major employers;
2. Interacting with civic and neighborhood associations;
3. Interacting with officials and representatives of other governments and lobbying said officials, as necessary, to promote the welfare of the city and its citizens;
4. Maintaining memberships and/or contacts with various organizations and committees whose purposes, services, or results significantly affect or could significantly affect the government of or the citizens of the city;
5. Representing the government of the city at various community functions;
6. Consulting with the Council on policy issues and, from time to time, offering policy initiatives;
7. Consulting with the City Manager on budgeting, policy and operational issues;
8. Representing the city, in consultation with the Council and City Manager, regarding major projects within or near the corporate boundaries of the city;
9. Making appointments to various commissions and committees as delineated in the City Charter and elsewhere in the City Code;
10. Taking such other decisions and actions, within the mayor's Charter and Code assigned authority, as necessary to promote the safety, health, and welfare of the citizens of Dover.

Note: In reference to interacting with city employees, this provision does not grant the authority or responsibility to the Mayor to intercede in personnel matters which are the responsibility of Council or Council appointed staff members, unless otherwise granted by City Charter or Code.

ADOPTED: *

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SYNOPSIS

The proposed amendment better defines the duties and responsibilities of the Mayor.
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