

RESOLUTION 2021-12

Alternate Member(s) on the EC

**UPPER PROVIDENCE TOWNSHIP
COUNTY OF DELAWARE
RESOLUTION NUMBER 2021-12**

**RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR APPOINTMENT OF
ALTERNATE MEMBERS OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL
COMMISSION**

WHEREAS, the Upper Providence Township Charter establishes an Environmental Commission as an advisory body to make recommendations to Township Council in matters relating to the environment of Upper Providence Township, and;

WHEREAS, Section 8.02 of the Upper Providence Charter provides that the number and qualifications of the members of any board, commission, authority, agency or committee shall be determined by Council, except where stated otherwise in the Charter; and

WHEREAS, Section 270.02 of the Code of Ordinances of Upper Providence Township establishes that the Environmental Commission shall be composed of not less than three or more than seven residents of the Township, and;

WHEREAS, by resolution number 2018 -14 Township Council established the number of members of the Environmental Commission at five members to help facilitate meeting schedules, and enable the commission to achieve a quorum and conduct more meaningful meetings, and;

WHEREAS, the Environmental Commission has had a surge in interest and participation and wishes to both encourage such participation while maintaining the ability to facilitate meeting schedules and enable the Commission to achieve a quorum, and;

WHEREAS, the Township Council of Upper Providence Township now believes that permitting the appointment of alternate members to the Commission will achieve these goals.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Township Council of Upper Providence Township, pursuant to the provisions of Section 8.02 of the Upper Providence Township Charter does hereby establish the position of alternate member of the Environmental Commission as follows:

1. Township Council may, but is not obligated to, appoint one alternate member to the Upper Providence Township Environmental Commission in addition to the five (5) appointed members.

2. The Chairperson or Acting Chairperson of the Environmental Commission may designate an alternate member of the Commission to substitute for any absent member or member who has recused themselves. If, by reason of absence or recusal of a member, a quorum is not reached, any alternate member so designated to substitute for the absent member shall count towards the establishment of a quorum.

3. When seated pursuant to the provisions of Paragraph 2, an alternate shall be entitled to participate in all proceedings and discussions of the Commission to the same and full extent as provided for commission members, including, specifically, the right to cast a vote as a voting member during the proceedings, and shall have all the powers and duties set forth by the Upper Providence Township Code of Ordinances and Charter.

4. The term of office of an alternate member shall be three years.

5. Any alternate may participate in any proceeding or discussion of the Commission but shall not be entitled to vote as a member of the Commission unless designated as a voting member pursuant to Paragraph 2.

ADOPTED by the Upper Providence Township Council, this 25th day of March 2021.

BY: UPPER PROVIDENCE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL

Beth Glassman
Beth Glassman, Chairperson

Attested:

Gregory C. Lebold
Gregory C. Lebold, Township Manager