### TOWN OF LONG BEACH, INDIANA

### ORDINANCE# 2022- <u>07</u>

# ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING TERM LIMTS FOR APPOINTMENTS TO TOWN COMMISSIONS, BOARDS, AND COMMITTEES

WHEREAS, the Town Council and certain commissions and members of its departments are responsible for making appointments to the Town's commissions, boards, and committees; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council recognizes the unique and diverse levels of expertise among the members of the community; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council desires to more fully encourage, promote, and develop a wider range of participation in Town governance to not only foster a greater sense of civic pride but also the overall benefit of the community while mitigating the impact of turnover of both elected and appointed positions; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council further desires to adopt term limits for appointments to its commissions, boards, and committees in order to accomplish the above-delineated goals,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Town Council of the Town of Long Beach, Indiana, that an Ordinance establishing terms limits shall now be and is adopted as follows:

## TERM LIMITS FOR APPOINTMENTS TO TOWN COMMISSIONS, BOARDS, AND COMMITTEES

#### § 34.40 PURPOSE AND INTENT.

To more fully encourage, promote, and develop a wider range of participation in Town governance in an effort to not only foster a greater sense of civic pride but also for the overall benefit of the community while mitigating the impact of turnover of both elected and appointed positions, the Town adopts and imposes term limits for appointments to its commissions, boards, and committees subject to the terms of this Ordinance.

#### § 34.41 TERM LIMITS.

All appointed members of a commission, board, or committee shall serve no more than two (2) consecutive four (4) year terms, subject to the following provisions:

- (A). An appointed member of a commission, board, or committee that has served more than four (4) years as the date of the adoption of this Ordinance shall be eligible to serve one (1) additional and consecutive four (4) year term.
- (B). An appointed member of a commission, board, or committee that has served less than four (4) years as of the date of the adoption of this Ordinance shall be eligible to serve the remainder of that term as well as a second consecutive four (4) year term.
- (C). All members of a commission, board, or committee appointed to new terms after the adoption of this Ordinance shall be limited to serving two (2) consecutive four (4) year terms.
- (D). Notwithstanding the foregoing limitations, the following additional considerations shall apply to appointments:
  - (1). The eligibility of any member appointed to replace another member during the outgoing member's term shall be subject to terms of Subsection (B), above.
  - (2). In the event the Town Council, its commissions, or members of its departments responsible for making appointments to Town commissions, boards, or committee is or are unable to identify an eligible candidate to serve in an appointed position, a member of a commission, board, or committee that is otherwise ineligible to serve on a commission, board, or committee due to term limits may be appointed or reappointed to such a position until a replacement or new appointment is made.

This Ordinance shall take effect, and be in full force and effect, from and after its passage and adoption by the Town Council of the Town of Long Beach, LaPorte County, Indiana, and publication, if any, in conformance with applicable law.

The Sections of this Ordinance shall be codified and made part of the Town Code of Ordinances and all sections and subsections may be renumbered or re-lettered as necessary to achieve such purpose.

It is the intent of the Town Council that if any section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase or provision of this Ordinance is held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity or unconstitutionality shall not be construed to render invalid or unconstitutional the remaining provisions of this Ordinance.

ALL OF WHICH IS PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Town Council of the Town of Long Beach, LaPorte County, Indiana, this 11th day of June, 2022. July 2012.

LONG BEACH TOWN COUNCIL

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