Introduced: Ms. Davis

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### **ORDINANCE NUMBER 1372**

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 12-143 "FUNCTIONS" OF ARTICLE VIII, "FOREST PRESERVE ADVISORY BOARD", OF CHAPTER 12 "PARKS AND RECREATION" OF THE GREENBELT CITY CODE

WHEREAS, the Forest Preserve Advisory Board has recommended revisions to this section of the City Code which more accurately reflect their current functions; and

WHEREAS, the City Council held a Work Session on September 25, 2019 with the Forest Preserve Advisory Board and others to review these proposed changes; and

WHEREAS, Council indicated support for these changes. NOW THEREFORE,

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Greenbelt, Maryland, that Section 12-143 of Chapter 12 of the City Code is hereby amended as follows.

## Chapter 12

#### PARKS AND RECREATION

#### ARTICLE VIII.

# FOREST PRESERVE ADVISORY BOARD

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#### Sec. 12-143. Functions.

- (a) The purpose of the forest preserve advisory board shall be to provide advisory guidance to the city council on the formulation of policy related to the management and maintenance stewardship of the forest preserve, the designation of forest preserve areas, and any other matters as directed by the city council.
  - (b) The duties of the forest preserve advisory board shall be as follows:
  - On an annual basis,  $\underline{r}\underline{R}$  eport to the city council on the health and condition of the forest preserve.

- (2) As needed, mMonitor the health and condition of the forest preserve, as well as activities within the forest preserve, and report to the city council any circumstances indicating that intervention, consistent with the approved management and maintenance stewardship guidelines, is required.
- (3) As needed, <u>rR</u>eview, interpret, and make recommendations to the city council on the <u>management and maintenance</u> <u>stewardship</u> guidelines and on the forest preserve article of this chapter.
- (4) Advise the city council on the designation of forest preserve areas.
- (5) Sponsor educational, interpretative, maintenance, or other programs, as appropriate and consistent with the forest preserve article and the management and maintenance stewardship guidelines, for the purpose of furthering the city's objectives of protecting the forest preserve areas.
- (6) Ensure coordination between the forest preserve advisory board and other city advisory boards and committees by reporting to the city council and to the appropriate advisory groups should any matter before the board impact areas of interest and responsibility of those advisory groups, including but not limited to issues and matters related to forest health and the management and treatment of invasive plant species.

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PASSED by the Council of the City of Greenbelt, Maryland, at its regular meeting of January 27, 2020.

Colin A. Byrd, Mayor

ATTEST:

Bonita Anderson, City Clerk

Key:

Underscoring indicates language added to existing law.

Overstriking indicates language deleted from existing law.

Asterisks \*\*\* indicate intervening existing Code provisions that remain unchanged.