

1 **..Title**
 2 **Economic Development Division** – For the purpose of relocating the Economic Development
 3 Division from the Department of Planning and Zoning to the Office of the Mayor; and generally
 4 related to Economic Development.

5 **..Body**

6 **CITY COUNCIL OF THE**
 7 **City of Annapolis**

8 **Ordinance 14-19**

9 **Introduced by: Mayor Buckley, and Alderwoman Finlayson**

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 11 **Referred to**
 12 Rules and City Government Committee

13 **AN ORDINANCE** concerning

14 **Economic Development Division**

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 16 **FOR** the purpose of relocating the Economic Development Division from the Department of
 17 Planning and Zoning to the Office of the Mayor; and generally related to Economic
 18 Development.

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 20 **BY** repealing and re-enacting with amendments the following portions of the Code of the City
 21 of Annapolis, 2019 Edition
 22 2.46.010
 23 2.46.020

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 26 **SECTION I: BE IT ESTABLISHED AND ORDAINED BY THE ANNAPOLIS CITY**
 27 **COUNCIL** that the Code of the City of Annapolis shall be amended to read as follows:

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 30 **TITLE 2 – ADMINISTRATION**
 31 **Chapter 2.46 - ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DIVISION**

32 **Section 2.46.010 - Established.**

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 34 The City shall have an Economic Development Division under the MAYOR. ~~Department of~~
 35 ~~Planning and Zoning.~~

36 **Section 2.46.020 - Economic Development Program.**

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 38 The Economic Development Division shall be responsible for implementing an Economic
 39 Development Program and, as a part of that program, the division shall:
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- 1 1. Advocate for a review of policies, regulations, and laws and their implementation to
- 2 encourage sound and balanced economic growth.
- 3 2. Provide for collaboration among those City agencies and departments that are vital to the
- 4 success of the Economic Development Program.
- 5 3. Attract and encourage the retention of businesses, including small, minority, and/or
- 6 disadvantaged enterprises.
- 7 4. Promote the creation and retention of jobs in the City.
- 8 5. Advocate for the expansion of the commercial and industrial tax base of the City.
- 9 6. Apply for and administer grants and loans related to the economic vitality of the City of
- 10 Annapolis and assist with various tax credit and loan programs offered by the County,
- 11 State, and Federal governments as these programs relate to the economic vitality of the
- 12 City.
- 13 7. Work with other municipal officials and private parties in identifying areas of the City in
- 14 need of economic revitalization and cooperate in the preparation of plans to bring
- 15 economic revitalization to such areas.
- 16 8. Offer existing businesses and prospective businesses assistance in identifying sources of
- 17 financing and professional and technical services.
- 18 9. Prepare forecasts and statistics of economic conditions in the City.
- 19 ~~10. Analyze the economic impact of proposed legislation.~~
- 20 10~~11~~. Participate in the urban and regional planning activities of the City, Anne Arundel
- 21 County, and the Regional Planning Organizations consistent with the character of the
- 22 City.
- 23 11~~12~~. Serve as a liaison to the business community in the City.
- 24 12~~13~~. Provide technical assistance and information to the business community and its
- 25 recognized associations.
- 26 13~~14~~. Serve as a liaison to the Anne Arundel County Economic Development Corporation, or
- 27 its successor.

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31 **SECTION II: AND BE IT FURTHER ESTABLISHED AND ORDAINED BY THE**
32 **ANNAPOLIS CITY COUNCIL** that this ordinance shall take effect from the date of its passage.

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Explanation:

UPPERCASE indicates matter added to existing law.

~~Strikethrough~~ indicates matter stricken from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments.