



The Mayor and Commissioners of the Town of Elkton

Resolution R11-2017

THIS RESOLUTION by the Mayor and Commissioners of the Town of Elkton (“Board”) is intended to implement a six (6)-month moratorium on the development and/or establishment of offices, facilities, and/or other places within the town that are intended for the practice of medicine.

WHEREAS, the Board adopted the Elkton Zoning Ordinance on November 26, 2013, that has been amended from time to time through the process of repealing, amending, and reenacting this compilation of regulations, or portions thereof; and

WHEREAS, the Elkton Zoning Ordinance provides for the orderly development of the Town in conjunction with the Town’s Comprehensive Plan, therefore the Elkton Planning Commission and the Board play a strategic role in the development, implementation, and enforcement of zoning regulations; and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that the practice of medicine, as defined under the State of Maryland’s Health Occupations, Title 14., Physicians, § 14-101., Definitions, and regulated in terms of zoning by the Town, should be re-evaluated with respect to the development and/or establishment of offices, facilities, and/or other places intended for the practice of medicine in certain zoning districts; and

WHEREAS, the Board has further determined that the Elkton Planning Commission and the Board will require an estimated period of six (6) months for this evaluation process, including the time necessary to implement any necessary amendments to the Elkton Zoning Ordinance.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Commissioners of the Town of Elkton, as follows:

1. That a moratorium on the development and/or establishment of new offices, facilities, and/or other places intended for the practice of medicine shall hereby be implemented and affect all zoning districts upon the passage of this resolution and expire at the end of a six (6) month period, unless otherwise provided by a subsequent resolution.
2. That during this period the Elkton Planning Commission shall evaluate the provisions of the Elkton Zoning Ordinance regarding the location of offices, facilities, and or other places intended for the practice of medicine that are regulated by the Town of Elkton, hold the requisite public hearing(s), and submit recommended amendments to the Elkton Zoning Ordinance to the Board.

3. That upon receipt of the Elkton Planning Commission's recommended amendments to the Elkton Zoning Ordinance, the Board would evaluate those amendments and determine if they should be adopted as presented, amended by the Board, or declined, in whole or in part. The Board would thereafter, as appropriate, initiate the process of adopting any amendments, including holding the requisite public hearing, followed by a vote on the introduction of the amendments, and subsequently vote on the adoption of the amendments not less than six (6) days, nor greater than sixty (60) days, following the introduction of the amendments.
4. That this moratorium shall not affect existing medical practices or new offices, facilities, and/or other places where the practice of medicine has been approved by the Building Official prior to the passage of this resolution.

THIS RESOLUTION PASSED THIS 28TH of September, 2017.

Mayor Robert J. Alt
Commissioner Charles H. Givens, Sr.
Commissioner Mary Jo Jablonski
Commissioner Earl M. Piner, Sr.