

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 44 OF THE CITY CODE REGARDING THE DURATION OF THE WILMINGTON DOWNTOWN BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT**

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Sponsor:

Council  
Member  
Harlee

**WHEREAS**, Section 44-153 of the City Code sets forth the establishment of the Wilmington Downtown Business Improvement District (“WDBID”); and

**WHEREAS**, the Charter of the WDBID was initially granted for a five-year term by City Council, expiring on October 1, 1999; and

**WHEREAS**, the term was extended for a ten-year period, expiring on October 1, 2009; and

**WHEREAS**, the term was extended for an additional ten-year period, expiring on October 1, 2019; and

**WHEREAS**, the term was extended for an additional five-year period, set to expire on October 1, 2024; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council deems it necessary and appropriate to further amend Section 44-153 of the City Code to extend the duration of the WDBID for an additional five-year period to expire on October 1, 2029.

**NOW, THEREFORE, THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILMINGTON HEREBY ORDAINS:**

**SECTION 1.** Chapter 44-153 of the City Code is hereby amended by deleting the stricken language and adding the underlined language to read as follows:

(d) *Duration of WDBID.* The WDBID shall have an initial duration of existence of five years, unless extended by ordinance for a longer duration prior to the expiration of the initial five years. The initial five-year term of existence of the WDBID, which expired on October 1, 1999, was extended ten years from that date and will expire on October 1, 2009. That ten-year term is hereby extended and will expire on October 1, ~~2024~~ 2029.

**SECTION 2.** This Ordinance shall be effective upon its passage by City Council and approval by the Mayor.

First Reading.....April 18, 2019  
Second Reading.....April 18, 2019  
Third Reading.....

Passed by City Council,

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President of City Council

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
City Clerk

Approved this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2019.

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Mayor

**SYNOPSIS:** This Ordinance amends Section 44-153 of the City Code to extend the duration of the Wilmington Downtown Business Improvement District until October 1, 2029.