# City of Toledo



## **Legislation Text**

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Councilwoman Whitman

Amending the Toledo Municipal Code by repealing Toledo Municipal Code Subsection 184.04(d) and enacting a new Toledo Municipal Code Subsection 184.04(d) to modify the membership; and declaring an emergency.

#### SUMMARY & BACKGROUND:

On March 15, 2022, Toledo City Council passed Ord. 95-22, enacting a new Toledo Municipal Code Chapter 184, Local Implementation of the United Nations Convention of the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women ("CEDAW"). On August 16, 2022, City Council passed Ord. 395-22 to add a youth member. This ordinance will modify the membership by reducing the City membership by two and adding two to community membership.

NOW, THEREFORE, Be it ordained by the Council of the City of Toledo:

SECTION 1. That Toledo Municipal Code subsection 184.04(d) which reads:

- (d) Membership and Organization.
  - (1) The Commission shall consist of fourteen (14) members each appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by City Council, as follows:
    - (A) One member representing the Mayor's office;
    - (B) One member representing City Council;
    - (C) The Gender Equity Manager;
    - (D) One employee of the City knowledgeable about the City budget, as appointed by the Mayor;
    - (E) The Chair of the Human Relations Commission;
    - (F) Two members representing the Toledo for CEDAW Steering Committee on the Commission's initial composition, thereafter two members shall be appointed from the community, one knowledgeable about health issues and the other with general knowledge of women and girls' issues; and
    - (G) Seven members from the community;
      - (i) Two members shall be knowledgeable about international human rights and be knowledgeable about CEDAW;
      - (ii) Two members shall be knowledgeable about the intersectionality of women and girls' issues and race, poverty, immigration status, disability, gender identity, and sexual orientation;
      - (iii) One member shall be knowledgeable about economic development, including employment issues;
      - (iv) One member shall be knowledgeable about violence against women and girls; and
      - (v) One member shall be a youth under age eighteen (18) at the time of appointment.

- (2) All appointed members of the Commission shall serve at the pleasure of their appointing authorities. The initial composition of the seven community members appointed by the Mayor and subject to confirmation by City Council will include three members appointed to one-year terms, two members appointed to two-year terms, and two members appointed to three-year terms. All other members, and community members appointed thereafter, shall be appointed for three-year terms.
- (3) The Commission will annually elect one member to serve as Chair and four additional members to serve with the Chair as an Executive Committee.

### is hereby repealed.

SECTION 2. That new Toledo Municipal Code subsection 184.04(d) is enacted to read:

- (d) Membership and Organization.
  - (1) The Commission shall consist of fourteen (14) members each appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by City Council, as follows:
    - (A) One member representing City Council;
    - (B) The Gender Equity Manager;
    - (C) The Chair of the Human Relations Commission;
    - (D) Two members representing the Toledo for CEDAW Steering Committee on the Commission's initial composition, thereafter two members shall be appointed from the community, one knowledgeable about health issues and the other with general knowledge of women and girls' issues; and
    - (E) Nine members from the community;
      - (i) Two members shall be knowledgeable about international human rights and be knowledgeable about CEDAW;
      - (ii) Two members shall be knowledgeable about the intersectionality of women and girls' issues and race, poverty, immigration status, disability, gender identity, and sexual orientation;
      - (iii) One member shall be knowledgeable about economic development, including employment issues;
      - (iv) One member shall be knowledgeable about violence against women and girls;
      - (v) One member shall be a youth under age eighteen (18) at the time of appointment; and
      - (vi) Two At-large community members.
- (2) All appointed members of the Commission shall serve at the pleasure of their appointing authorities. The initial composition of the seven community members appointed by the Mayor and subject to confirmation by City Council will include three members appointed to one-year terms, two members appointed to two-year terms, and two members appointed to three-year terms. All other members, and community members appointed thereafter, shall be appointed for three-year terms.
- (3) The Commission will annually elect one member to serve as Chair and four additional members to serve with the Chair as an Executive Committee.

SECTION 3. That all other provisions contained in Toledo Municipal Code Section 187.04, other than subsection (d) as amended by Section 1 and 2 herein, are unchanged and remain in full force and effect.

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SECTION 4. That this Ordinance is declared to be an emergency measure and shall take effect and be in force immediately from and after its passage. The reason for the emergency lies in the fact that same is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, safety and property and for the further reason that this Ordinance must be immediately effective to make Toledo CEDAW Gender Equity Commission membership inclusive for all without delay.

Vote on emergency clause: yeas 12, nays 0.

Passed: February 21, 2023, as an emergency measure: yeas 12, nays 0.

Attest:

Gerald E. Dendinger Clerk of Council

Matt Cherry President of Council

Approved: February 22, 2023 Wade Kapszukiewicz Mayor