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Introduced by Reps. Stakoe, Amos and Huizenga

ENROLLED HOUSE BILL No. 5885

AN ACT to amend 1931 PA 285, entitled "An act to provide for city, village and municipal planning; the creation, organization, powers and duties of planning commissions; the regulation and subdivision of land; and to provide penalties for violation of the provisions of this act," by amending sections 7b, 8, and 8a (MCL 125.37b, 125.38, and 125.38a), sections 7b and 8a as added and section 8 as amended by 2001 PA 265.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

Sec. 7b. (1) A municipal plan may be adopted as a whole or by successive parts corresponding with major geographical areas of the municipality or with functional subject matter areas of the plan.

(2) After preparing a proposed plan, the municipal planning commission shall submit the proposed plan to the legislative body of the municipality for review and comment. The process of adopting a plan shall not proceed further unless the legislative body of the municipality approves the distribution of the proposed plan.

(3) If the legislative body of the municipality approves the distribution of the proposed plan, it shall notify the secretary of the municipal planning commission and the secretary shall submit a copy of the proposed plan, for review and comment, to all of the following:

(a) The planning commission, or if there is no planning commission, the legislative body, of each city, village, or township located within or contiguous to the municipality.

(b) The regional planning commission, if any, for the region in which the municipality is located, if there is no county planning commission for the county in which the municipality is located. If there is a county planning commission for the county in which the municipality is located, the secretary of the municipal planning commission may submit a copy of the proposed plan to the regional planning commission but is not required to do so.

(c) The county planning commission, or if there is no county planning commission, the county board of commissioners, for the county in which the municipality is located. The secretary of the municipal planning commission shall concurrently submit to the county planning commission a statement that the requirements of subdivision (a) have been met or, if there is no county planning commission, shall submit to the county board of commissioners a statement that the requirements of subdivisions (a) and (b) have been met. The statement shall be signed by the secretary and shall include the name and address of each planning commission or legislative body to which a copy of the proposed plan was submitted under subdivision (a) or (b) and the date of submittal.

(d) Each public utility company and railroad company owning or operating a public utility or railroad within the municipality, and any government entity, that registers its name and address for this purpose with the secretary of the municipal planning commission. An entity that, pursuant to this subdivision, receives a copy of a proposed plan, or of a plan as provided in section 8(5), shall reimburse the municipality for any copying and postage costs thereby incurred by the municipality.

(4) An entity described in subsection (3) may submit comments on the proposed plan to the municipal planning commission within 63 days after the proposed plan was submitted to that entity under subsection (3). If the county planning commission or the county board of commissioners that receives a copy of the proposed plan under subsection (3)(c) submits comments, the comments shall include, but need not be limited to, both of the following, as applicable:

(a) A statement whether the county planning commission or county board of commissioners considers the proposed plan to be inconsistent with the plan of any city, village, township, or region described in subsection (3)(a) or (b).

(b) If the county has a county plan, a statement whether the county planning commission considers the proposed plan to be inconsistent with the county plan.

(5) The statements provided for in subsection (4)(a) and (b) are advisory only.

Sec. 8. (1) Before approving a proposed municipal plan, the municipal planning commission shall hold not less than 1 public hearing on the proposed plan. The hearing shall be held after the expiration of the deadline for comment under section 7b(4). The planning commission shall give notice of the time and place of the public hearing not less than 15 days before the hearing by 1 publication in a newspaper of general circulation in the municipality and in the official gazette, if any, of the municipality. The planning commission shall also submit notice to each entity described in section 7a(2).

(2) The approval of the plan shall be by resolution of the planning commission carried by the affirmative votes of not less than 2/3 of the members of the planning commission. The resolution shall refer expressly to the maps and descriptive and other matter intended by the planning commission to form the plan or part of the plan, and the action taken shall be recorded on the map and plan and descriptive matter and signed by the chairperson or the secretary of the planning commission. Following approval of the proposed plan by the municipal planning commission, the secretary of the planning commission shall submit a copy of the proposed plan to the legislative body of the municipality.

(3) Approval of the plan by the planning commission under subsection (2) is the final step for adoption of the plan, unless the legislative body by resolution has asserted the right to approve or reject the plan. In that case, after approval of the plan by the planning commission, the legislative body shall approve or reject the plan.

(4) If the legislative body rejects the proposed plan, the legislative body shall submit to the planning commission a statement of its objections to the proposed plan. The planning commission shall consider the legislative body's objections and revise the proposed plan so as to address those objections. The procedures provided in subsections (1) to (3) and this subsection shall be repeated until a proposed plan is approved by the legislative body.

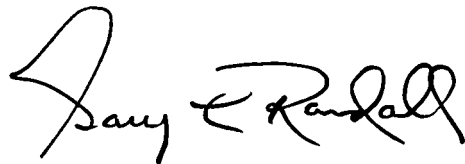
(5) Upon final adoption of the plan, copies of the adopted plan shall be submitted in the same manner as provided for submitting copies of the proposed plan under section 7b(3).

Sec. 8a. (1) An extension, addition, revision, or other amendment to a municipal plan shall be adopted under the same procedure as a plan or a successive part of a plan under sections 7a, 7b, and 8. However, for an amendment other than a revision of the plan, the 63-day period otherwise provided for in section 7b(4) shall be 40 days.

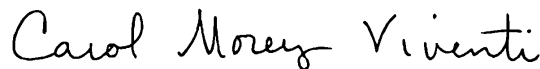
(2) At least every 5 years after adoption of the plan, the planning commission shall review the plan and determine whether to commence the procedure to amend the plan or adopt a new plan.

(3) Until January 9, 2003, a municipality may adopt a plan or an extension, addition, revision, or other amendment to a plan under the procedures provided for by this act that were in effect on January 8, 2003.

This act is ordered to take immediate effect.



Clerk of the House of Representatives



Secretary of the Senate

Approved

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Governor