

1985 Assembly Bill 631

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1985 Wisconsin Act 219

AN ACT to amend 66.431 (3) (a) of the statutes, relating to appointments of commissioners of a city redevelopment authority.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. 66.431 (3) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

66.431 (3) (a) It is hereby found and declared that a redevelopment authority, functioning within a city in which there exists substandard, deteriorating, deteriorated, insanitary, slum and blighted areas, constitutes a more effective and efficient means for preventing and eliminating slums and blighted areas in the city and preventing the recurrence thereof. Therefore, there is created in every such city a redevelopment authority, known as the redevelopment authority of the city of (which in this section shall be referred to as "authority", and when so referred to, means and applies to a redevelopment authority) for the purpose of carrying out blight elimination, slum clearance, and urban renewal programs and projects as set forth in this section, together with all powers necessary or incidental to effect adequate and comprehensive blight elimination, slum clearance and urban renewal programs and projects. The authority may transact business and exercise any of the powers granted to it in this section following the adoption by the local legislative body of a resolution declaring in substance that there exists within such city a need for blight elimination, slum clearance and urban renewal programs and pro-

jects. Upon the adoption of the resolution by the local legislative body by a two-thirds vote of its members present, a certified copy thereof shall be transmitted to the mayor or other head of the city government. Upon receiving the certified copy of such resolution, the mayor or other head of the city government shall, with the confirmation of four-fifths of the local legislative body, appoint ~~7 resident freeholders~~ residents of the city as commissioners of the authority. No more than 2 of such commissioners may be officers of the city in which the authority is created. The powers of the authority shall be vested in the commissioners. In making appointments of commissioners, the appointing power shall give due consideration to the general interest of the appointee in a redevelopment, slum clearance or urban renewal program and shall, insofar as is possible, designate representatives from the general public, labor, industry, finance or business group, and civic organizations. Appointees shall have sufficient ability and experience in related fields, especially in the fields of finance and management, to assure efficiency in the redevelopment program, its planning and direction. One of such 7 commissioners shall be a member of the local legislative body. Commissioners shall receive their actual and necessary expenses, including local traveling expenses incurred in the discharge of their duties.