CHAPTER 97, SCHENECTADY - NIJKERK COUNCIL

[HISTORY: Adopted by the Council of the City of Schenectady 12-9-1991 by Ord. No. 91-52. Amendments noted where applicable.]

º 97-1. Establishment.

  There is hereby established the Schenectady - Nijkerk Council.

º 97-2. Purpose.

  The purpose of the Council is to organize international exchange visits between Schenectady and Nijkerk, the Netherlands, the home of Schenectady's founder, Arendt Van Curler, which will foster friendship and promote economic, cultural, historical and artistic ties between the communities.

º 97-3. Membership.

A.   The Schenectady - Nijkerk Council shall consist of 11 members appointed by the Mayor with the agreement of the City Council.

B.   The Mayor and City Council President shall be ex officio members without votes.

C.   In addition to the appointed members of the Council and ex officio members, the Schenectady - Nijkerk Council shall encourage membership of the general public who wish to support the purposes of the Council. No member of the general public membership shall have a vote.

º 97-4. Terms of office.

  Each member appointed by the Mayor shall serve a term of three years; provided, however, that of the 11 members first appointed, four members shall be appointed for a term of three years and four members shall be appointed for a term of two years and three members shall be appointed for one-year terms.

º 97-5. Powers and duties.

  The Schenectady - Nijkerk Council shall have the following powers:

A.   The Schenectady - Nijkerk Council is authorized to undertake fundraising activities for the purposes of this chapter.

B.   The Schenectady - Nijkerk Council shall have the authority to promulgate its own rules and regulations where not inconsistent with this chapter.

C.   The Schenectady - Nijkerk Council must report annually to the Mayor and City Council on its activities and financial condition.

º 97-6. Severability.

  The provisions of this chapter are severable and the invalidity of any part of this chapter shall not affect the validity of the rest of the chapter.