Sec. 2-491. - Attendance at meetings.

(a) No member of any board or commission of the city shall be absent from three consecutive regularly scheduled meetings of such board or commission without a valid excuse, which excuse must be accepted and approved by a majority vote of the membership of the affected board or commission at its next regularly scheduled meeting at which a quorum is present. Acceptance of such excuse by the chairman of such board or commission shall not be deemed to constitute compliance with this section.

(b) No member of any board or commission of the city shall have unexcused absences from 25 percent or more of the regularly scheduled meetings of such board or commission within any given 12-month period; unexcused absences are absences which have not been properly excused as provided in subsection (a) of this section.

(c) The violation by any member of a board or commission of the city of subsection (a) and/or subsection (b) of this section shall automatically result in the removal from office of such member without notice or further action of the board or commission or the city council.

(d) The provisions of this section shall not affect any rule, regulation or bylaw of any city board or commission which presently provides for the removal from office of any board or commission member who fails to attend a lesser number or percentage of regularly scheduled meetings of such board or commission than is prohibited in this section. For example, a present board or commission rule, regulation or bylaw which provides for a member's removal if such member fails to attend two regularly scheduled meetings, or 15 percent of such meetings within any given 12-month period, is not affected by the provisions of this section.

(Code 1980, § 2-11)