WEST VIRGINIA CODE: §8-11-3

§8-11-3. Cases requiring enactment of ordinance.

In the following enumerated cases, the action of a governing body shall, except where otherwise provided in this code, be by ordinance:

(1) Levying taxes or providing for the collection of fees of any kind;

- (2) Requiring a license to do business;
- (3) Relating to offenses and penalties;
- (4) Authorizing the issuance of bonds or other forms of indebtedness;
- (5) Providing for a public improvement;

(6) Providing for the purchase of private property by the municipality or for the sale of property belonging to the municipality;

- (7) Laying out or vacating a public street, avenue, road, alley or way;
- (8) Relating to planning and zoning;
- (9) Granting franchises to public utilities;
- (10) Providing for a contractual or other agreement with another jurisdiction; and
- (11) Relating to such other matters as the charter may require.

The action of a governing body shall also be by ordinance in any other case in which an ordinance is required by the provisions of this code.