

## **CHAPTER 7: PLANNING COMMISSION**

### **ARTICLE 1: PLANNING COMMISSION**

#### **7-1.1. PLANNING COMMISSION**

The Planning Commission shall consist of five (5) members who shall represent insofar as is possible professions or occupations that exist within the Village and who shall be appointed by the Chairperson, by and with the approval of three-fourths (3/4) vote of the Village Board. All members of the Planning Commission shall serve without compensations and shall hold no other municipal office (beyond one Planning Commission member serving on the Board of Adjustment). The terms of each member shall be three (3) years except the two (2) members of the first Commission appointed shall serve for the term of one (1) year, two (2) for a term of two (2) years and two (2) for the term of three (3) years. All members may, after a public hearing before the Village Board, be removed by the Chairperson and by and with the consent of a three-fourths (3/4) vote to the Village Board. Reasons for removal shall include but not be limited to inefficiency, neglect of duty, malfeasance in office or other good and sufficient cause vacancies occurring otherwise than through expiration of terms shall be filled for the unexpired term by the Chairperson.

#### **7-1.2. CHAIRMAN AND MEETINGS**

The Planning Commission shall elect its chairman from its members and create and fill such other offices as it may determine. The term of the Chairman shall be one (1) year and he shall be eligible for reelection. The Commission shall hold, at a minimum, at least one (1) regular meeting during each quarter during a 12-month period, or as needed. It shall adopt rules for transaction of business and shall keep a record of its resolutions, transactions, findings, and determinations which record shall be a public record.

The concurring vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the members of the Planning Commission is necessary to decide any questions upon which the Planning Commission is required to pass a recommendation onto the Village Board.

#### **7-1.3. FUNDS**

The Village Board may provide the funds, equipment, and accommodations necessary for the work of the Planning Commission but the expenditures of the Commission exclusive of gifts shall be within the amounts appropriated for that purpose by the Village Board; and no expenditures shall be valid in excess of such amounts.

#### **7-1.4. MUNICIPAL PLANNING**

- A. It shall be the function and duty of the Planning Commission to make and adopt plans for the physical development of the Municipality including any areas outside the boundaries of the Municipality which, in the Commission's judgement, bear relation to the planning of the Municipality.
- B. The Planning Commission shall from time to time recommend to the appropriate public officials' programs for public structures and improvements and for the financing thereof. It shall be part of its duties to consult and advise with public officials and agencies, public utility companies, civic educational, professional, and other organizations and with citizens with relation to the protection of carrying out of the plan.

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