PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

Newington Town Code Amendment
Chapter 8, Article IV
Environmental Quality Commission

Tuesday April 26, 2022, 6:00 P.M.
Zoom Webinar/Hybrid meeting

This meeting will be presented as a Zoom Webinar/Hybrid Meeting. Information on how to attend will be posted on the website at https://www.newingtonct.gov/virtualmeetingschedule

To provide an opportunity for interested individuals to express their views regarding the proposed ordinance amendment to Chapter 8, Article IV, Environmental Quality Commission.

The Town Council will allow for Public Comment by Zoom Software/telephone/in person during the Public Hearing.

Masks are recommended of all individuals that choose to attend the meeting in person.

Questions regarding this matter should be directed to the Office of the Town Manager at (860) 665-8515.

Written comments and questions may be submitted to the Town Council up to 24 hours prior to the meeting at 200 Garfield Street or via email at town council@newingtonct.gov

*Pursuant to §805 of the Town of Newington Charter

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LEGAL NOTICE
TOWN OF NEWINGTON

PROPOSED ORDINANCE #2123-03

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF NEWINGTON

That:

Chapter 8, Boards, Committees, Commissions and Bureaus, Article VI, Environmental Quality Commission of the Newington Code of Ordinances is hereby amended as follows:

Chapter 8
BOARDS, COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS AND BUREAUS
ARTICLE VI
ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY COMMISSION

§ 8-19 Establishment.
There is hereby established an Environmental Quality Commission (hereafter referred to as "the Commission") for the purposes stated herein, which shall be appointed and organized and shall have the duties and powers as hereinafter set forth.

§ 8-20 Purpose.
The Commission shall be responsible for responding to and making appropriate recommendations or referrals to the Town Council and Town Manager affecting environmental concerns and the quality of life in the Town of Newington, including but not limited to: To research opportunities and recommend policies and procedures that will improve the quality of the environment in Town; to promote environmentally friendly practices for residents, businesses and Town operations; to plan and promote programs and events related to environmental quality including but not limited to litter pickup events, park cleanup and Earth Day recognition; to monitor and report to the Town Council and Town Manager changes in environmental laws that may impact the Town. A report shall be made to the Council annually.

§ 8-22 Membership.
A. The Commission shall consist of 7 electors of the Town, and shall be appointed by the Town Council. As of the effective date of this ordinance, the Council shall appoint members in the following manner: 4 public members shall be appointed to serve until November 30, 2023 and 3 public members shall be appointed to serve until November 30, 2025. Thereafter, all members may be appointed for a four-year term. Terms shall expire November 30 of odd-numbered years. All members currently appointed, shall continue under this ordinance until expiration of their term, after which they may be reappointed as outlined above.
B. The Commission shall be comprised of the following: seven (7) representatives from the public and two representatives from the Town Council, who shall serve as liaisons. The Town Manager or his/her designee shall serve as the staff member for this Commission.

§ 8-23 Meetings.
This Commission shall meet at least once a year. Meetings may be called by the Chairman or by petition of any three members.

A copy of the proposed ordinance is available in the Town Clerk’s Office, 200 Garfield Street, Newington, CT.

Dated at Newington, CT this 20th day of April, 2022
Attest: James E. Krupienski, CCTC
Newington Town Clerk
NEWINGTON TOWN COUNCIL