

**Draft Amendment
Town of Falmouth Code of Ordinances
As discussed by the Council on March 18, 2008
For Introduction Monday, March 24, 2008**

PART II, CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE III, DIVISION 4:

LONG-RANGE PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Sec. 2-70.1 Creation and statement of purpose.

- (a) The Town Council does hereby establish a Long-range Planning Advisory Committee.
- (b) The purpose of the Long-range Planning Advisory Committee shall be to advise the Council on the land use policies of the Town.
- (c) The members of the Committee should possess a balance of backgrounds and perspectives. In addition, the Council should appoint members from other Town committees whose assignments either involve land use issues, or which otherwise overlap with this Committee.

Sec. 2-70.2 Appointment, terms, officers.

- (a) The Town Council shall appoint a standing committee of seven (7) town residents made up of one (1) member of the town planning board and six (6) citizens of the town. The Town Council shall appoint up to six (6) additional residents to the standing committee on an ad hoc basis to assist with the development or update of the Comprehensive Plan.
- (b) The initial standing committee shall consist of two (2) members appointed for one (1) year, two (2) members appointed for two (2) years and three (3) members appointed for three (3) years. Thereafter members shall be appointed for periods of three (3) years.
- (c) Ad hoc members assisting with the update of the Comprehensive Plan shall serve one (1) three-year term or through completion of the project, whichever comes first.
- (d) All committee members shall serve without pay.
- (e) The committee shall annually choose one (1) of its own members to serve as chair.
- (f) The chair of the Council Community Development Committee shall serve as the council liaison to the committee.

- (g) The Town Council shall have the power to remove any member, standing or ad hoc, for cause, and shall also have the power to replace appointees who voluntarily leave the committee.

(Ord. of 1-27-89, Arts. I--III)

Sec. 2-71. Meetings; reports.

Meetings are to be called by the chair. It is the responsibility of the Long-range Planning Advisory Committee to report as needed to the Town Council. It is further the duty of the committee to prepare an annual report, periodic work plan and budget requests, as needed, to the Town Council for its review and approval.

(Ord. of 1-27-89, Art. IV)

Sec. 2-72. Powers and duties.

All projects undertaken by the Committee shall obtain approval of the Council prior to commencement. Committee work products are recommendations to the Council. The Committee's work shall be in accordance with the work plan approved by the Council.

Assignments include, but are not limited to:

- a. analysis and development of recommended land use policies;
- b. development and updating of the Comprehensive Plan;
- c. development of specific recommended actions the town should take to implement the comprehensive plan;
- d. development of recommended land use ordinances and regulations and amendments; and
- e. any other projects as the Council may choose to assign it.

(Ord. of 1-27-89, Art. V)