



## **TOWN OF FALMOUTH ORDINANCE NO 114-2018**

### **An Ordinance Amending the Code of Ordinances Regarding the Economic Improvement Committee**

**Be it ordained by the Town Council of the Town of Falmouth, Maine in Town Council assembled, that the Falmouth Code of Ordinances be amended to read as follows:**

#### **DIV. II-2-3-12. ECONOMIC IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE**

##### **Sec. 2-148. Establishment and purpose.**

There is hereby established a Falmouth Economic Improvement Committee (FEIC) consisting of up to seven (7) members serving without pay to be appointed by the town council pursuant to 30-A M.R.S.A. § 3261. The term of office is three (3) years.

Definition(s): **Economic improvement:** promote an environment that attracts, retains and enhances business opportunities in ways consistent with the Town's policies.

##### **Purpose/goals/charge:**

The Falmouth Economic Improvement Committee (FEIC) shall:

1. Undertake and support economic development activities aimed at creating a sustainable economy and broadened tax base in collaboration with public/private entities, Town staff, Town Council and regional economic development efforts.
2. Provide advisory assistance to Town staff and Town Council on economic development matters, including, but not limited to, policy and ordinance development, strategic planning, business attraction, and land use.
3. Develop economic development guidelines and recommendations, including, but not limited to, workforce development, business development, and infrastructure.
4. Assist the Town Council with implementation of Falmouth's 2015 Economic Development Strategy and review this plan every three (3) years.
5. Assist the Town Council with any other projects as the Council may choose to assign it.

##### **Sec. 2-149. Membership: Appointment, term, quorum, committee action, makeup.**

1. All appointments shall be three-year, staggered terms.
2. The Committee shall annually elect a Chair and Vice Chair.
3. A quorum consists of the majority of the number of members appointed by the Town Council to serve at that time. (Example, if the committee has five members, a quorum requires three members to be present. If the committee includes six or seven members, a

- quorum of four members is required.) The minimum quorum to conduct business shall consist of three members.
4. A minimum of three affirmative votes is required for any committee action.
  5. The make up of the committee shall strive to include at a minimum one (1) representative from each of the following groups:
    - Rt. 1 Business Rep from zone VC-1, VC-2 or BP
    - Rt. 100 Business Rep from zone VMU, WFCMPD or MUC
    - Falmouth-Cumberland Community Chamber
    - Long-Range Planning Advisory Committee (LPAC)
  6. A minimum of four (4) members shall have a business background.
  7. The Town Council, at its annual organizational meeting, shall appoint a Council Liaison to this committee.

**Attest:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Ellen Planer, Town Clerk**

**May 14, 2018**