

**41. AN ORDINANCE CREATING A COMBINED PLANNING AND ZONING
COMMISSION FOR THE CITY OF GROTON
(JUNE 10, 1974)**

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Groton at an adjourned regular meeting thereof held May 20, 1974 that pursuant to Chapter 124, Title 8 of the General Statutes of Connecticut, Revision of 1958 as amended, there is hereby created and designated a combined Zoning and Planning Commission for the City of Groton as follows:

Section 1 – There is hereby created and designed for the City of Groton a combined Planning and Zoning Commission which shall consist of seven regular members, who shall be electors holding no salaried municipal office. The Chief Executive Officer of the City of Groton shall also be a member of such Commission but without voting privileges. There shall also be three alternate members who shall be electors holding no salaried municipal office. Such Commission shall have all the powers and duties set forth in Chapters 124 and 126 of the General Statutes, in any other pertinent General Statute or in any Charter or Special Act relating to the City of Groton.

Section 2 – The Commission shall be appointed by the Mayor and Council of the City, three of the original regular members to serve for one year, two for two years and two for three years and all alternates to serve for three years. Thereafter, each new regular member and alternate member shall serve for a term of three years. All regular members and alternate members may be removed by the Mayor and Council for cause, which shall include frequent absences from meetings of the Commission. Vacancies shall be filled by the Mayor and Council for the unexpired portion of the term. All regular and alternate members shall serve until their successors have been appointed and qualified.

Section 3 – The Commission shall select a Chairman and a Secretary from its members, shall adopt rules for the transaction of business and shall keep a public record of its activities.

Section 4 – This Ordinance shall become effective on July 1, 1974, at which time any Planning Commission and any Zoning Commission for the City established by any prior Ordinance or vote shall cease to exist and its books and records shall be turned over to the Commission herein established. All regulations adopted by such prior Commissions shall continue in full force and effect until modified, repealed or suspended in accordance with the provisions of Chapters 124 and 126 of the General Statutes.

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