

REGIONAL PLANNING

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"An Ordinance providing for the establishment of a Regional Planning and Economic Development Commission, comprising the counties of James City and York and the City of Williamsburg, setting forth the name, jurisdictions, appointment of members and financing of the Commission.

"Be it Ordained by the Board of Supervisors of the County of James City:

"That there is herewith established by joint resolutions of the governing bodies of its constituent member jurisdictions, a Regional Planning and Economic Development Commission in accordance with Section 15-891.1, 1950 Code of Virginia, for the purpose of preparing a plan for the physical, economic and social development of the region.

"I. MAKING AND ADOPTION OF REGIONAL PLAN.

"It shall be the duty of the regional planning commission to make and adopt a regional plan for the physical, economic and social development of the region. The plan shall not be deemed an official plan or part of the official plan of any municipality or county unless adopted as such by the planning commission of the municipality or county. The regional plan may be adopted as a whole, or as the work of making the plan progresses, parts thereof may be adopted as prescribed by law.

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## II. NAME.

"The name of this regional planning commission shall be the Colonial Virginia Regional Planning and Economic Development Commission.

## "III. PARTICIPATING JURISDICTIONS.

"James City County, York County, and the City of Williamsburg shall be the participating jurisdictions. Adjoining counties may apply for membership in the Commission provided they have a legally constituted and functioning planning agency.

## "IV. MEMBERS.

"The Commission shall consist of three members from each of the participating jurisdictions. These three members shall be appointed by the governing body. One shall be from the planning agency, one from the governing body, and one shall be a resident citizen chosen for his knowledge of, or interest in planning or some phase thereof.

"Initially, members shall be appointed for a term of one, two, and three years, respectively, thereafter the term of members appointed shall be three years. The Commission shall select a Chairman, vice-Chairman and secretary-treasurer from among its members. The term of said officers shall be three years.

"It shall adopt rules for the transaction of business and shall keep a record of its resolutions, proceedings and actions

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which shall at reasonable times be open to the public. All members of the Commission shall serve as such without compensation, but they may be allowed necessary traveling and other expenses while engaged in the work of or for the commission.

"V. MEETINGS.

"Regular meetings of the Commission shall be held. Meetings shall be at such locations as the Chairman may designate. Meetings may be rotated among the various jurisdictions.

"VI. QUORUM.

"Five members of the Commission shall be required to constitute a quorum, provided, that if only five members are present, each jurisdiction shall be represented.

"VII. VOTES.

"In making any recommendations, adopting any plan or approving any proposal action shall be taken by a majority vote of all members present; provided, however, that no action directly affecting any single jurisdiction may be approved unless at least two members from the affected jurisdiction are present at the meeting at which the vote is to be taken; provided, further, that in the case of an action involving more than one jurisdiction, the negative votes of a minority of the Commission shall be made a matter of record. No vote by any

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member of the Commission shall be construed as an official commitment of the agency or jurisdiction represented by the members unless so authorized by said agency or jurisdiction.

"VIII. FINANCING THE COMMISSION.

"The proportions of the expenditures of the Commission to be borne respectively by the governmental bodies cooperating shall be such as determined and agreed upon by the cooperating governing bodies who are authorized to appropriate to the Commission their respective shares of the expenditures and to accept funds from public, semi-public or private individuals or agencies for meeting the expenditures. Within the amounts thus agreed upon and duly appropriated, the Commission is empowered to expend the money so appropriated and to appoint such employees and staff as it deems necessary to do its work."

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