Sample Resolution Acceptable Training for Planning Board and Zoning Board of Appeals Members

WHEREAS Town Law Sections 267 and 271, Village Law Sections 7-712 and 7-718, and General City Law Sections 27 and 81 provide that effective January 1, 2007, all planning board and zoning board of appeals members in New York State, as well as alternate members of those boards, must complete a minimum of four hours of training each year; and

WHEREAS the above sections of state law provide that a planning board or zoning board of appeals member shall not be eligible for reappointment to such board if they have not completed the training required by law; and

WHEREAS the above sections of state law provide that the legislative body of the town, village and city specifies which activities qualify as training to satisfy the state requirements; and

NOW, THEREFORE, be it

RESOLVED, that the following list of agencies, commissions, associations, universities, and other organizations are approved to provide training to meet the state requirements when the training they provide pertains to municipal planning, zoning, community design, environmental issues, economic development, and local government functions and practices:

- the NYS Department of State; Department of Agriculture and Markets; Office of the State Comptroller; Department of Health; Department of Transportation; Department of Environmental Conservation; Office of Parks, Recreation, and Historic Preservation and;
- 2) the New York State Association of Towns, the New York Conference of Mayors, the New York State Association of Counties, the New York Planning Federation, the American Planning Association, the Upstate New York Chapter of the American Planning Association and it sections, and the Metro New York Chapter of the American Planning Association and its sections; and
- 3) the Catskill Center for Conservation and Development, and Hudson Valley Regional Council; and
- the Sullivan County Division of Planning and Environmental Management;
 Sullivan County Division of Public Works; and Sullivan County Soil and Water Conservation district; and
- the Albany Law School Governmental Law Center and Institute for Legal Studies, Pace Law School, Cornell University and its cooperative extension units; and

6) on-line planning and zoning training programs offered by the New York Municipal Insurance Reciprocal, Pace University and Land Use Law Center, and the Lincoln Institute of Land Use Policy;

AND LET IT FURTHER be

RESOLVED , that other training activities may be approved on a case-by-case basis by the Town Board/Village Board of Trustees/City Council upon the request of a planning board or zoning board of appeals member; and be it further
RESOLVED , that any new member appointed to fill the last months of a term shall not be required to have attended training to be reappointed to a first full term, but must thereafter comply with the municipal training policy as provided elsewhere herein; and be it further
RESOLVED , that training received by a planning board member or zoning board of appeals member in excess of four hours in any one year may be carried over by the member into succeeding years; and be it further
RESOLVED , that the Town Clerk/Village Clerk/City Clerk/Director of the Department of Planning/ shall create and maintain a system of tracking the training individual members complete annually; and such information shall be presented to the appointing authority prior to considering a member for reappointment.
Motion by: Seconded by:
Vote
Date: Resolution Number: