Local Law Filing

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Text of law should be given as amended. Do not include matter being eliminated and do not use italics or underlining to indicate new matter.

☐ **County** ☐ **City** ☒ **Town** ☐ **Village**
(Select one:)

of Yorktown

Local Law No. 15 **of the year 20** 16

A local law to amend Chapter 10 of the Code of the Town of Yorktown entitled "BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS" by adding a new Article X entitled "QUALITY OF LIFE COMMITTEE."
(Insert Title)

Be it enacted by the Town Board **of the**
(Name of Legislative Body)

☐ **County** ☐ **City** ☒ **Town** ☐ **Village**
(Select one:)

of Yorktown **as follows:**

Section I. Statement of Authority.
This Local Law is authorized by the New York State Constitution, the provisions of the New York Municipal Home Rule Law, the provisions of the Statute of Local Governments, the relevant provisions of the Town Law of the State of New York, the laws of the Town of Yorktown and the general police power vested with the Town of Yorktown to promote the health, safety and welfare of all residents and property owners in the Town.
Section II. Chapter 10 of the Town Code is amended to add a new Article X entitled "Quality of Life Committee" to read as follows:

§10-31 Short Title; Applicability

This article shall apply to the creation of the Quality of Life Committee and to the appointment, terms, functions and powers of the members appointed to serve on the Committee.

§10-32 Legislative Findings; Intent and Purpose

The Town Board determines that in order to continue to protect and safeguard the health, safety and welfare of the Town of Yorktown and its residents, the Town will draw upon its rich history of citizen involvement and volunteerism to enhance the quality of life in the Town by establishing the Quality of Life Committee.

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§10-33 Purpose; Charge and Duties

The charge of the Committee will provide a centralized public forum to engage the Town's residents and business owners in constructive discussion that maintain community pride as well as a establishing a means for receiving and routing of residents' and business owners' concerns in an effort to build greater interest related to livability and sustainability within the Town.

The Committee will also provide an overview of, and coordination among, community groups and organizations that contribute to an improved quality of life, personal meaning, pride and satisfaction including publicity of activities to the general public.

The Committee will identify community issues and concerns and develop potential strategies, proposals, plans or solutions and, in an advisory capacity only, periodically present such to the Town Board for consideration.

§10-34 Composition; Terms of Office; Vacancies and Compensation.

1. The Quality of Life Committee shall be comprised of five members consisting of one Councilperson, the Town's Code Enforcement Officer, a representative of the Town's Police Department, a representative of a public service organization affiliated with the Town and one resident of the Town.

2. The term of office of each member shall be three years. Members whose terms have expired shall continue to serve until successors have been appointed. The Town Board shall have the power to remove any member for cause. Vacancies shall be filled by the Town Board for the unexpired term of any member whose position has become vacant, whether by expiration, resignation, removal for cause or otherwise.

3. The Councilperson member shall act at Chair and the Committee members shall elect from its membership a Secretary whose term shall be fixed by the Committee.

4. The members shall receive no salary or compensation for their services as a member of the Quality of Life Committee.

§10-35 Meetings

1. The Committee shall hold meetings at such times and places as its members shall determine, from time to time, but no less than frequently than once per calendar quarter. Notice of such meeting shall be posted and published in accordance with the Open Meetings Law of the State of New York. A

majority of said Committee shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

2. Each of the members of the Committee shall be allowed one vote, which vote shall be cast in person at a meeting.

3. The Secretary shall take minutes of the meetings and proceedings of the Committee and shall make a record of all resolutions and actions of the Committee. The records of the Committee shall set forth every determination made by the Committee. The Secretary shall file the records and minutes of the Committee in the Town Clerk's office.

4. The Committee shall report to the Town Board on its activities at least semiannually.

Section III. Severability.

If any clause, sentence, phrase, paragraph or any part of this local law shall for any reason be adjudicated finally by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such judgment shall not affect, impair or invalidate the remainder of this local law, but shall be confined in its operation and effect to the clause, sentence, phrase, paragraph or part thereof, directly involved in the controversy or action in which such judgment shall have been rendered. It is hereby declared to be the legislative intent that the remainder of this local law would have been adopted had any such provisions been excluded.

Section IV. Repeal

All ordinances, local laws and parts thereof inconsistent with this Local Law are hereby repealed.

Section V. Effective Date.

This Local Law shall become effective upon filing in the office of the Secretary of State in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Home Rule Law.

(Complete the certification in the paragraph that applies to the filing of this local law and strike out that which is not applicable.)

1. (Final adoption by local legislative body only.)
I hereby certify that the local law annexed hereto, designated as local law No. 15 of 2016 of the ~~(County)(City)~~(Town)~~(Village)~~ of Yorktown was duly passed by the Town Board on July 5, 2016, in accordance with the applicable
(Name of Legislative Body)
provisions of law.

2. (Passage by local legislative body with approval, no disapproval or repassage after disapproval by the Elective Chief Executive Officer*.)
I hereby certify that the local law annexed hereto, designated as local law No. of 20____ of the (County)(City)(Town)(Village) of _____ was duly passed by the _____ on _____ 20____, and was (approved)(not approved)
(Name of Legislative Body)
(repassed after disapproval) by the _____ and was deemed duly adopted
(Elective Chief Executive Officer)*
on _____ 20[ ][ ], in accordance w ith the applicable provisions of law.

3. (Final adoption by referendum.)
I hereby certify that the local law annexed hereto, designated as local law No. _____ of 20____ of the (County)(City)(Town)(Village) of _____ was duly passed by the _____ on _____ 20____, and was (approved)(not approved)
(Name of Legislative Body)
(repassed after disapproval) by the _____ on _____ 20____.
(Elective Chief Executive Officer)*

Such local law was submitted to the people by reason of a (mandatory)(permissive) referendum, and received the affirmative vote of a majority of the qualified electors voting thereon at the (general)(special)(annual) election held on _____ 20____, in accordance with the applicable provisions of law.

4. (Subject to permissive referendum and final adoption because no valid petition was filed requesting referendum.)
I hereby certify that the local law annexed hereto, designated as local law No. _____ of 20____ of the (County)(City)(Town)(Village) of _____ was duly passed by the _____ on _____ 20____, and was (approved)(not approved)
(Name of Legislative Body)
(repassed after disapproval) by the _____ on _____ 20____. Such local
(Elective Chief Executive Officer)*
law was subject to permissive referendum and no valid petition requesting such referendum was filed as of _____ 20____, in accordance with the applicable provisions of law.

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* Elective Chief Executive Officer means or includes the chief executive officer of a county elected on a county-wide basis or, if there be none, the chairperson of the county legislative body, the mayor of a city or village, or the supervisor of a town where such officer is vested with the power to approve or veto local laws or ordinances.

5. (City local law concerning Charter revision proposed by petition.)
I hereby certify that the local law annexed hereto, designated as local law No._____ of 20_____ of the City of _____ having been submitted to referendum pursuant to the provisions of section (36)(37) of the Municipal Home Rule Law, and having received the affirmative vote of a majority of the qualified electors of such city voting thereon at the (special)(general) election held on _____ 20_____, became operative.

6. (County local law concerning adoption of Charter.)
I hereby certify that the local law annexed hereto, designated as local law No._____ of 20_____ of the County of _____State of New York, having been submitted to the electors at the General Election of November _____ 20_____, pursuant to subdivisions 5 and 7 of section 33 of the Municipal Home Rule Law, and having received the affirmative vote of a majority of the qualified electors of the cities of said county as a unit and a majority of the qualified electors of the towns of said county considered as a unit voting at said general election, became operative.

(If any other authorized form of final adoption has been followed, please provide an appropriate certification.)
I further certify that I have compared the preceding local law with the original on file in this office and that the same is a correct transcript therefrom and of the whole of such original local law, and was finally adopted in the manner indicated in paragraph _____ above.

Diane L. Quast
Clerk of the county legislative body, City, Town or Village Clerk or officer designated by local legislative body

(Seal)

Date: July 7, 2016