

April 5, 2022

TO: Town Council, Town Clerk

FROM: Gary Crosby, Town Planner

RE: Town Council agenda item – April 11, 2022

Please add the following item to the agenda for the Town Council meeting on April 11, 2022:

Title: PUBLIC HEARING: Continued from April 4, 2022, adoption of the update of the Portsmouth Comprehensive Community Plan.

Council Action Requested: Vote to amend the Town Code, Part II: General Legislation by adding a new chapter and sections – Chapter 131 COMPREHENSIVE COMMUNITY PLAN.

Backup: Copy of Ordinance Amending the Town Code of the Town of Portsmouth.

TOWN OF PORTSMOUTH, RI

Ordinance # 2022 –

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE TOWN CODE OF THE
TOWN OF PORTSMOUTH**

PART II: GENERAL LEGISLATION

Be it ORDAINED by the Town Council of the Town of Portsmouth:

Section 1. The Town Code, Part II: General Legislation, is hereby amended by adding the following new chapter and sections:

Chapter 131

COMPREHENSIVE COMMUNITY PLAN

§ 131-1. Findings.

- A. The Rhode Island Comprehensive Planning and Land Use Act, Title 45, Chapter 22.2 of the State of Rhode Island, requires that all Rhode Island communities adopt a Comprehensive Plan to be in conformance with the Act.
- B. The Portsmouth Planning Board held the necessary public hearing on the plan with required advertising and forwarded the plan to the Portsmouth Town Council with a recommendation for adoption.
- C. The Portsmouth Town Council held the necessary public hearing with the required advertising.

§ 131-2. Adoption of Comprehensive Community Plan.

- A. The Comprehensive Community Plan of the Town of Portsmouth, as duly adopted and updated from time to time, and as most recently adopted by the Portsmouth Town Council on April __, 2022, is hereby incorporated by reference in its entirety.
- B. The Comprehensive Plan shall take effect for the purpose of conforming municipal land use decisions and for the purpose of being transmitted to the Rhode Island Director of Administration for state review upon hearing and passage.
- C. The Comprehensive Plan shall not become effective for the purposes of guiding state agency actions until it is approved by the state of Rhode Island pursuant to the Rhode Island Comprehensive Planning and Land Use Act, Title 45, Chapter 22.2 of the State of Rhode Island.

Section 2. This Ordinance shall take effect upon passage.

**ADOPTED BY TOWN COUNCIL
ACTION ON _____**

Jennifer M. West, Town Clerk