

**TITLE: To implement the Provisions of New York State Village Law Sections 7-712 and 7-718 Providing for Training of Municipal Planning and Zoning Officials**

WHEREAS, New York State Village Law Sections 7-712 and 7-718 were recently amended to provide for mandatory training of municipal planning board and zoning board of appeals members, and

WHEREAS, Village Law Sections 7-712 and 7-718 provide that to be eligible for reappointment to such boards, such member shall have completed the training promoted by the village board of trustees, and

WHEREAS, Village Law Sections 7-712 and 7-718 also provide that the village may remove any member of such planning board or zoning board of appeals for cause, and *may* provide by resolution for removal of any planning board or zoning board of appeals member for non-compliance with minimum requirements relating to meeting attendance and training as established by the village by resolution, and

WHEREAS, Village Law Sections 7-712 and 7-718 also provide that the training required by this paragraph may be waived or modified by the village board of trustees when, in the judgment of the governing body, it is in the best interest of the village to do so, and

WHEREAS, the village board of trustees may request that the village clerk monitor the compliance of village planning board and zoning board appointees and report to the village board of trustees, and

WHEREAS, the village board of trustees may also request that no training waivers be considered or granted and if requested, not provided without village board of trustees approval; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the \_\_\_\_\_ Village Board of Trustees supports the new law and mandates that each member of the Village Planning Board, and if it exists, the Village Zoning Board of Appeals, complete, at a minimum, four hours of training each year; and be it further

RESOLVED, that training received by a member in excess of four hours in any one year may be carried over by the member into succeeding years in order to meet the requirements Village Law Sections 7-712 and 7-718; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Village Board of Trustees is hereby authorized to provide for approval of training regime to meet the requirements of the amendments to Village Law Sections 7-712 and 7-718 and shall have the authority to approve all training sources or providers and all delivery methods or formats and shall determine the reliability of such sources and shall determine if program content is sufficient to meet intended objectives of the new law; and be it further

RESOLVED, that a system to track and record Village Planning Board, and if it exists, Village Zoning Board of Appeals, members' compliance with the new training requirement shall be established and maintained by the Village Clerk and a summary of such record shall be presented to the Village Board of Trustees each year, and be it further

RESOLVED, that to be eligible for reappointment and retention of their office, each member of the Village Planning Board, and if it exists, Village Zoning Board of Appeals, shall complete the required training by the end of each calendar year, or if appointed to fill a vacancy, as soon as practicable within a year of appointment; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Village Board of Trustees hereby indicates its desire that no application for waivers be requested or entertained and, if requested, not provided without Village Board of Trustees approval.