

TOWN OF LEBANON

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

WHEREAS: It is in the interest of the Towns that comprise the Windham Region to establish a Regional Council of Governments to consider such matters of a public nature common to two or more members of the Council of Governments as it deems appropriate, including matters affecting the health, safety, welfare, education and economic conditions of the area comprised by its members; and,

WHEREAS: The Council of Governments will promote cooperative arrangements and coordinate action among its members and make recommendations therefor to its members and such other public agencies, as exist or perform functions within the region; and

WHEREAS: The Council of Governments will exercise all of the rights and authority and be subject to all of the responsibilities and duties provided for in the Connecticut General Statutes, as amended, pertaining to regional councils of elected officials and regional planning agencies;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Electors of the Town of Lebanon at a duly warned meeting:

1. The Town of Lebanon hereby adopts Sections 4-124i through 4-124p of the Connecticut General Statutes, as amended, providing for the formation of the Windham Regional Council of Governments and does hereby join such Regional Council of Governments when and as such Council is duly established in accordance with said statutes upon the adoption of said statutes by not less than sixty percent (60%) of the eligible towns, cities and boroughs within the Windham Planning Region as defined by the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management or his designee, and upon certification by the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management or his designee that a Regional Council of Governments has been duly established.

Pursuant to Sections 4-124K and 4-124l(b) of the Connecticut General Statutes, as amended, in the absence of the chief elected official, the First Selectman shall designate one of the two remaining members of the Board of Selectmen as the representative on the Council or as a member of the transitional executive committee.

If and when the Regional Council of Governments is duly established and the transitional period required by Section 4-124l(b) of the Connecticut General Statutes, as amended, has terminated on the date proposed by the transitional executive committee and adopted by the Council, then the ordinance adopted by the Town of Lebanon effective November 27, 1965 entitled "Ordinance Ratifying Adoption of Regional Planning Agency" and any amendments thereto that provided for the town's participation in the Windham Regional Planning Agency is and shall be deemed repealed.

The Town Clerk is directed to immediately prepare and file with the Secretary the Office of Policy and Management or his designee a certified copy of this Ordinance.

This Ordinance shall take effect fifteen (15) days after publication of notice of its adoption in accordance with the Connecticut General Statutes.

Joyce A. McGillicuddy
Town Clerk

Effective Date is February 12, 1997