STATE PLANNING COUNCIL

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON AMENDMENTS TO RULES AND STANDARDS

In accordance with the General Laws, Section 42-11-10(e) and Chapter 42-35, the State Planning Council hereby gives notice of its intent to amend its Rules and Standards (ERLID # 8446) originally adopted in 1985 and last amended in 2017. The Division of Statewide Planning, as authorized by the State Planning Council, will conduct a public hearing for the Council on the proposed amendments.

The overall purpose of the Rules is to establish operating procedures for the State Planning Council and how the Council carries out its mission to prepare, adopt, and amend strategic plans for the physical, economic, and social development of the State and to coordinate the planning activities of state agencies in accordance with RIGL 42-11-10 and other statutes. In the development of the amended rules, consideration was given to 1) alternative approaches 2) overlap or duplication with other rules and 3) significant economic impacts on small businesses. No alternative approach, duplication, or overlap was identified based on available information.

The Rules primarily govern the business of and the interaction of other governmental agencies with the Council and therefore have no direct effect on private business. All deadlines imposed in the Rules and Standards pertain to the State’s completion of a review and there are no schedules or deadlines for small businesses.

The purpose for the amendments is to 1) revise the Rules in order to provide necessary updates to the Rules to address contemporary committees, staff positions, and Council practices and 2) add a new provision - 1.1.7, Committees, specifically for the purpose of appointing an advisory committee for education for compliance with House Bill 7023 SUB B and Senate Bill 2649 SUB A which are Chapters 142 & 143 of the Public Laws of 2022. The date, time and location of the hearing are:

October 17, 2022 at 1:30 PM
Conference Room
Division of Statewide Planning
235 Promenade Street, Suite 230
Providence, Rhode Island 02909
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Copies of the draft changes are available for review on the Division of Planning’s website at www.planning.ri.gov and in-person at the Division of Statewide Planning, 235 Promenade Street, Suite 230, Providence, Rhode Island 02909 by appointment only. Please call Lori Cassin at (401)222-7901 or email Lori.Cassin@doa.ri.gov for an appointment. All persons may present their views on the proposed amendments in person, through a representative, or by filing a written statement. Written statements will be accepted for five business days after the hearing until October 24, 2022. All interested parties are invited to submit written comments concerning the proposed Rules to:

Meredith Brady, Secretary
Division of Statewide Planning
235 Promenade Street, Suite 230
Providence, Rhode Island 02909

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Meredith Brady, Secretary                          Date
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This location is accessible to individuals with disabilities. An individual requiring a reasonable accommodation to participate in this meeting should contact Thomas Mannock, PhD at 401-222-6377 (voice) or #711 (R.I. Relay). An individual requiring the services of an interpreter should contact 401-222-1755 (voice) as soon as possible prior to the meeting. Esta reunión es accesible para personas con discapacidades. Cualquier persona interesada en recibir servicios de intérprete para esta reunión debe ponerse en contacto con 401-222-1755 tan pronto como sea posible.