

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

The Town of Columbia hereby establishes an Economic Development Commission in accordance with Section 7-136 of the Connecticut General Statutes.

The Economic Development Commission shall consist of seven (7) members who shall be appointed by the Board of Selectmen pursuant to Section 8.1 of the Town Charter. Upon adoption of this ordinance, four (4) members shall be appointed for four (4) year terms with the initial term ending November 23, 2009 and three (3) members shall be appointed for two (2) year terms with the initial term ending November 26, 2007. After the initial three (3) two (2) year terms end, such position shall become four (4) year terms, thereby staggering the terms so that all members aren't appointed in the same year. Any vacancy shall be filled by the Board of Selectmen for the unexpired portion of the term. The Commission shall meet monthly or as necessary. The organization of the Commission including the election of officers and scheduling of meetings shall be pursuant to Article 8 of the Town Charter.

The Commission is empowered to conduct research into the economic conditions and trends of the town, to make recommendations to town officials and agencies regarding action to promote, support and improve economic conditions and development, to coordinate the activities of and cooperate with other bodies organized to promote economic development, to advertise, prepare and distribute information which will further its official purpose, and to prepare an annual report of its activities and of its recommendations for improving such economic conditions and development.

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