

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

CITY OF LOWELL

In City Council

ORDINANCE

An Ordinance Amending the Code of Ordinances City of Lowell, Massachusetts, with respect to Chapter 9, entitled "Boards, Commissions and Committees".

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BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOWELL, as follows:

"The Code of Ordinances City of Lowell, Massachusetts" hereinafter called the "Code", adopted by the City Council on December 23, 2008, is hereby amended with respect to Chapter 9 thereof, entitled "Boards, Commissions and Committees", by adding a new Article XIV entitled Community Preservation Committee as follows:

ARTICLE XIV.

Community Preservation Committee

**§ 9-46. Definitions**

As used in this ordinance, the following terms shall have the following meanings indicated:

COMMUNITY HOUSING

Also termed affordable housing, low- and moderate-income housing for individuals and families, including low- and moderate-income senior housing.

COMMUNITY PRESERVATION

The acquisition, creation and preservation of open space; the acquisition, preservation, rehabilitation and restoration of historic resources; the acquisition, creation, preservation, rehabilitation and restoration of land for recreational use; the acquisition, creation, preservation and support of community housing; and the rehabilitation or restoration of open space and/or community housing acquired or created pursuant to M.G.L. c. 44B.

## HISTORIC RESOURCES

A building, structure, vessel, real property, document or artifact that is listed on the Federal or State Register of Historic Places or Sites or has been determined by the local historic board to be significant in the history, archeology, architecture or culture of the City of Lowell.

## OPEN SPACE

Shall include, but not be limited to, land to protect existing and future watershed lands, well fields, aquifers and recharge areas, agricultural lands, grasslands, fields, forest land, fresh and salt water marshes, and other wetlands; ocean, river, stream, lake, and pond frontage; beaches, dunes and other coastal lands; lands to protect scenic vistas; land for wildlife or natural preserves; and land for recreational use.

### **§ 9-47. Establishment. Number of members.**

There is hereby established, pursuant to M.G.L. c. 44B § 1 et seq., a Community Preservation Committee, consisting of nine (9) voting members.

### **§ 9-48 Membership.**

The Committee shall be composed of:

- (a) One member of the Lowell Conservation Commission as designated by said commission;
- (b) One member of the Lowell Historic Board, as established by Chapter 566 of the Acts of 1983, as designated by said board;
- (c) One member of the Lowell Planning Board as designated by said board;
- (d) One member of the Lowell Board of Parks as designated by said commission;
- (e) One member of the Lowell Housing Authority as designated by said authority;
- (f) Two citizens appointed by the City Manager to be approved by the Council;
- (g) The Director of the Department of Planning and Development or his/her designee; and
- (h) The Director of the Division of Development Services or his/her designee.

### **§ 9-49 Term of office. Officers. Voting.**

- (a) When a committee is first established, the terms of the members shall be for one, two or three years as determined by the City Manager and so arranged that the terms of 1/3 of the members shall expire each year. Successors shall be appointed for three year terms. In the event a vacancy occurs as to a committee position, the respective board,