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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY
JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2020

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RELATING TO THE TOWN OF WESTERLY -- PUBLIC PARKING COMMISSION

Introduced By: Senator Dennis L. Algieri

Date Introduced: February 13, 2020

Referred To: Senate Housing & Municipal Government

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Rhode Island public law, 1962, chapter 249, article IV, entitled "PUBLIC
2 PARKING COMMISSION" is hereby repealed in its entirety.

3 ~~ARTICLE IV. PUBLIC PARKING COMMISSION~~

4 ~~Section 1. The town council is hereby authorized to appoint a commission consisting of~~
5 ~~five members to be known as the 'Westerly public parking commission'.~~

6 ~~Sec. 2. Forthwith upon the passage of this act, the Westerly town council shall appoint~~
7 ~~one member to serve until the first day of May, 1963, one member to serve until the first day of~~
8 ~~May, 1964, one member to serve until the first day of May, 1965, one member to serve until the~~
9 ~~first day of May, 1966, and one member to serve until the first day of May, 1967, and until their~~
10 ~~respective successors shall be duly appointed and qualified.~~

11 ~~In the month of April, 1963, and in the month of April annually thereafter, the Westerly~~
12 ~~town council shall appoint one member of said commission to serve for a term of five years to~~
13 ~~succeed the member whose term will then next expire. In the event of a vacancy occurring in said~~
14 ~~membership, the Westerly town council shall appoint a member for the unexpired term. Any~~
15 ~~member of the commission shall be eligible for reappointment.~~

16 ~~At all times at least one member of said commission shall be a representative of retail~~
17 ~~merchants and professions, at least one member shall be a representative of owners of~~
18 ~~commercial real estate, and at least one member shall represent the consuming public. The~~
19 ~~president of the town council shall be an additional member ex officio, of said commission.~~

1 ~~Each appointed member of the commission before entering upon his duties shall take an~~
2 ~~oath to administer the duties of his office faithfully and impartially.~~

3 ~~The commission shall elect one of its members as chairman and another as vice chairman~~
4 ~~and shall also elect a secretary who may or may not be a member of the commission. Three~~
5 ~~members of the commission shall constitute a quorum and the vote of three members shall be~~
6 ~~necessary for any action taken by the commission. No vacancy in the membership of the~~
7 ~~commission shall impair the right of a quorum to exercise all the rights and perform all the duties~~
8 ~~of the commission. The members of the commission shall not be entitled to compensation for~~
9 ~~their services.~~

10 ~~Sec. 3. Said commission, in collaboration with the department of public works and such~~
11 ~~other departments and officials of the town as it may deem necessary, shall formulate as~~
12 ~~recommendations for presentation to the town council, plans as guides for the present and future,~~
13 ~~provision of automobile parking facilities, properly integrated with present and proposed traffic~~
14 ~~facilities, subject to alteration as necessary. The plans of automobile parking facilities shall~~
15 ~~include recommended design and location of proposed parking facilities which may include~~
16 ~~improved or unimproved lots, single or multi-storied garages, or other structures and accessories;~~
17 ~~and shall further include estimates of costs of the various projects therein included, a construction~~
18 ~~program, and recommended methods of financing. Where the inclusion in any proposed structure~~
19 ~~of rental space for other than parking purposes is incidental and reasonably related to the public~~
20 ~~use of the parking facilities and will materially reduce net public expenditures for such parking~~
21 ~~facilities, such rental space may be included in the plan.~~

22 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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EXPLANATION
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1 This act would repeal the public law establishing a public parking commission in the
2 town of Westerly.

3 This act would take effect upon passage.

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