DIVISION 11. - NORTH KINGSTOWN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY BOARD

{Ord. No. 03-15, § 1, 9-29-2003}

Sec. 2-388. - Purpose. [approved by the Town Council on August 3, 2015]

The Town Council (herein "Council") recognizes the need to develop a strong and vibrant economy in North Kingstown that enhances the residents' income, quality of life, and sense of place, and protects the environment. Economic development can be achieved mainly through private and public investment, expanded employment, improved business climate, and the resulting increased fiscal revenue. The Council acknowledges that economic development is primarily driven by the private sector, but the town government can play key enabling and facilitating roles in collaboration with non-governmental organizations and others and with community participation.

Sec. 2-389. – Created; appointment; composition. [approved by the Town Council on May 18, 2015]

(a) The Council hereby creates the North Kingstown Economic Development Advisory Board to serve in an advisory capacity to the Council.

(b) Members shall be appointed for three-year staggered terms.

(c) The Board shall consist of seven (7) members and two (2) alternate members appointed by the Council, each of whom shall serve a three-year term. A majority of the members of the Board shall be qualified electors or residents of the town of North Kingstown.

Sec. 2-390. - Duties. [approved by the Town Council on August 3, 2015]

The Economic Development Advisory Board shall:

1. Monitor and advise the Council on progress of economic development in North Kingstown;

2. Advise the Council on issues of economic development policy and implementation, at the Council's request or the Board's own initiative;

3. Collaborate with the town management on matters of economic development;

4. Engage the business community and the public at large in the town's economic development policies and initiatives and in the implementation of community-wide economic development efforts; and

5. Advise the Sec. 2-388. - Purpose.

The town council (herein "council") recognizes the need to expand the community's tax base and to encourage further sustainable economic development, aesthetically appropriate re-development, and retention of skilled employment opportunities for local residents. The council also recognizes the
benefits that will be derived from fostering more community involvement in the town’s endeavor to stimulate the local economy.

Sec. 2-389. Appointment.
The council hereby creates the North Kingstown Economic Development Advisory Board to serve in an advisory capacity to the council. The board shall consist of seven members, appointed by the council, each of whom shall serve a three-year term. A majority of the members of the board shall be qualified electors or residents of the town.

Sec. 2-390. Duties.
Council on other matters that the Council may, from time to time, refer to the Board. The town economic development advisory board shall advise the council on the following matters:

(1) The attraction and expansion of business, commerce, industrial and commercial development which is consistent with environmental goals, policies and standards established in the town comprehensive plan as updated and in town ordinances and regulations;

(2) Development of voluntary site and design standards for business development and expansion of existing firms, with an emphasis on the Post Road Corridor;

(3) Town support for the efforts of the Quonset Point/Davisville Management Corporation and its council representatives in an effort to deliver, in cooperation with the State, environmentally sound and financially prudent development at Quonset Point/Davisville;

(4) Appropriate development regulations in the Wickford Village, along the Post Road Corridor, other business development areas; and

(5) Such other matters which the council may, from time to time, refer to it.