

Public notice

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PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE CITY OF STAMFORD BOARD OF REPRESENTATIVES Notice is hereby given that the Land Use/Urban Redevelopment Committee of the Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, August 19, 2026, at 7:00 p.m. by webinar to consider the proposed ordinance amendment summarized below. The meeting can be accessed by computer, tablet, or smartphone at: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85010537758> ; or at www.zoom.com Webinar ID: 850 1053 7758; or by telephone at 1-646-558-8656 Webinar ID: 850 1053 7758 Printed copies are available for inspection in the office of the Board of Representatives, 4th Floor, Government Center, 888 Washington Boulevard, Stamford, Connecticut or at <https://boardofreps.org/lu32009.aspx> Anyone wishing to be heard is invited to attend and speak. You may sign up in advance to speak or submit written comments by sending an email to bdreps@stamfordct.gov or by calling 203-977-4024. You must sign up to speak before 6:00 p.m. on August 18, 2026. Anyone requiring an auxiliary aid or service for effective communication, or a modification of policies or procedures to participate in this meeting, should contact the City's ADA Coordinator as soon as possible: Janeene Freeman, Director of Diversity, Equity & Inclusion, (203) 977-4231, Email: JFreeman@StamfordCT.gov. AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF STAMFORD AND AMENDING CODE OF ORDINANCE SECTION ARTICLE V. - ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION BOARD WHEREAS, the creation of an independent Conservation Commission will enable the city to leverage community knowledge, collaborate with nonprofit and regional partners, and provide technical input and recommendations to land use boards and the Board of Representatives on matters of natural resource protection, environmental health, and climate adaptation; and WHEREAS, Governor Ned Lamont issued Executive Order No. 21-3, requiring state agencies to lead by example in decarbonization and resilience efforts, and encouraging municipalities to align with the state's climate action goals; and WHEREAS, the 31st Board of Representatives reinforced this commitment through Resolution 4130, urging action to curb greenhouse gas emissions in response to the United Nations Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change's warnings; and Mayor Caroline Simmons issued Executive Order EO_005_230417_Climate, directing the Administration and all City Departments and Agencies to implement sustainability initiatives; and municipalities across Connecticut and the United States have established conservation commissions to provide expertise, community engagement, and inter-agency coordination in natural resource management, open space protection, and environmental planning; and WHEREAS, pursuant to Code of Ordinances, Article V., the Environmental Protection Board of the City of Stamford currently exercises the powers of a conservation commission pursuant to General Statute [§ 7-131a](#); and WHEREAS, it is deemed to be in the best interests of the city to establish a new Conservation Commission and to transfer all powers and duties previously exercised by the Environmental Protection Board under C.G.S. [§ 7-131a](#) to said Conservation Commission; and WHEREAS, Code of Ordinances, Article V., Sec 6-21 A. refers to the Environmental Protection Board as the city's aquifer protection agency pursuant to General Statutes [§ 22a-354 et seq.](#); and WHEREAS, Code of Ordinances, Article X, entitled Aquifer Protection Agency, designates the city's Zoning Board as the Aquifer Protection Agency of the City of Stamford; and WHEREAS, Code of Ordinances, Article V., was adopted on June 3, 1974, and Article X was adopted on November 6, 1991, with the intention of transferring all powers and duties previously exercised by the Environmental Protection Board as an aquifer protection agency to the Zoning Board; and WHEREAS, it is necessary to clarify that the city's Zoning Board exercises the authority to act as the city's Aquifer Protection Agency by removing all references to the Environmental Protection Board as the city's Aquifer Protection Agency from Article V. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF STAMFORD THAT: ARTICLE V., Secs. 6-19, 6-21, and 6-23 of the City of Stamford Code of Ordinances are hereby amended to remove all references to Connecticut General Statutes [§ 7-131a](#), to eliminate the authority of the Environmental Protection Board to act as the city's Conservation Commission, Sec 6-21 A. is amended to remove all references to the Environmental Protection Board as city's the Aquifer Protection Agency, and ARTICLE VI., Sec. 6-28 establishing the Conservation Commission is hereby created as follows: [subsequent language is available for inspection as listed above] This Resolution shall be effective as of the date of approval. Attest: Glenn Price, Co-Chair, Land Use/Urban Redevelopment Committee Ryan Hughes, Co-Chair, Land Use/Urban Redevelopment Committee Parker Johnson, Clerk, 32nd Board of Representatives