

Chapter 4A of the Town Code shall be redesignated as Chapter 4B and a new Chapter 4A shall be adopted as follows:

Chapter 4A. Affordable Housing Committee.

§ 4A-1 Establishment, Members and Terms

A. The Board of Selectmen shall appoint an Affordable Housing Committee (the "Committee") consisting of nine members who shall be electors of the Town of New Canaan. Not more than five members shall be registered with the same political party. The Committee shall consist of:

1. One member of the Planning & Zoning Commission
2. One member of the Housing Authority of New Canaan
3. One member of the Town Council
4. One member of the Board of Finance, and
5. Five other Town electors who do not serve on such bodies.

B. Members shall be appointed for a term of four years, provided that to stagger expirations three of the initial appointees shall serve terms of two years and three of the initial appointees shall serve terms of three years.

C. The First Selectman shall serve as an *ex officio* member of the Committee but shall only vote in case of a tie and shall not be counted in determining the presence of a quorum.

§ 4A-2 Organization.

On or promptly after the first of December in each year, the Committee shall meet at the call of the First Selectman to elect one of its members to be Chairman and one of its members to be Secretary. The Chairman shall, when present, preside at all meetings of the Committee and shall vote as a member thereof. The Secretary shall file in the office of the Town Clerk a full and detailed record of all proceedings, acts and resolutions of the Committee, as required by the Freedom of Information Act, including the votes of each member on all actions taken, and such record shall be a public record.

§ 4A-3 Mission

The Committee shall work with the Housing Authority of the Town of New Canaan and other Town bodies to increase the number of affordable housing units in New Canaan and to maintain local control of housing development. To achieve these purposes the Committee shall recommend a plan to maintain successive moratoria under subsection (l) of section 8-30g of Connecticut General Statutes or any successor provision.

The Affordable Housing Committee shall develop scenarios under which moratoria under section 8-30g(l) could be achieved and shall measure public support for each scenario. Each scenario shall address the type of projects involved, whether they would utilize Town property or require land acquisition, the projected costs of development and maintenance of each project, the impact on infrastructure, the likely sources of funding and the impact on taxpayers.

§ 4A-4 Public Education

The Affordable Housing Committee shall provide information to Town residents on:

1. The operation of section 8-30(g),
2. Planned or pending applications for section 8-30(g) moratoria,
3. Planned or pending affordable housing developments, and
4. The locations or types of locations for future affordable housing projects.

§ 4A-5 Funding

The Affordable Housing Committee shall identify additional funding sources to supplement the Affordable Housing Trust Fund fee and shall assess whether the structure of that Trust Fund needs to be updated and whether additional funding mechanisms should be implemented.

§ 4A-6 Reports

The Affordable Housing Committee shall be responsible for:

1. Assisting in the preparation of annual affordable housing plans required under §8-30j of Connecticut General Statutes,
2. Providing input on the subject of affordable housing for the Town of New Canaan's Plan of Conservation and Development, and

3. Preparing, at least once a year, a report on the Committee's activities to the Town bodies represented on the Committee.