

**ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING
"THE GEORGETOWN ADVISORY PLAN COMMISSION"**

WHEREAS, the Town of Georgetown, through its Council, has been considering a new Comprehensive Plan and Zoning Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Georgetown desires to establish the Georgetown Advisory Plan Commission pursuant to the current Indiana Code;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GEORGETOWN, INDIANA AS FOLLOWS:

The following section of the Georgetown Municipal Code and the ordinance from which the section of the code are made are hereby amended to provide as follows:

ADVISORY PLAN COMMISSION

I. CREATED AND MEMBERS

An Advisory Plan Commission of the Town of Georgetown, is hereby created which shall be known as the "Town of Georgetown Advisory Plan Commission", and which commission shall consist of nine (9) members, as follows:

1. The Town Council (Legislative Body) shall appoint three (3) persons, who must be elected or appointed municipal officials or employees in the municipal government as members.
2. The Town Council President (Town Executive) shall appoint four (4) citizens members, of whom no more than two (2) may be of the same political party.
3. The executive of each county within the two-mile jurisdictional area shall appoint one (1) additional citizen member. The executive of the county having the larger portion of the unincorporated area shall appoint its member first, and the executive of the other county shall then appoint its member, who must not be of the same political party.

II. TERMS OF MEMBERS

1. The term of office of a member who is appointed from the membership of the Town Council is coextensive with the member's term of office on the Town Council, unless the Town Council, at its first regular meeting in any year, appoints another to serve as its representative.

2. Of the four (4) citizens members, two (2) citizens members shall serve initial terms of three (3) years. All other and subsequent terms of members shall be for four (4) years. Each member's terms expires on the first Monday of January of the third or fourth year, respectively, after the year of the member's appointment.
3. For members appointed to represent the unincorporated area with the jurisdiction; initially, one (1) member shall be appointed for a term of one (1) year and the other for a term of four (4) years. Thereafter, each appointment is for a term of four (4) years. The additional citizen members are entitled to participate and vote in all deliberations of the municipal plan commission.
4. In all other matters regarding membership, the commission will be bound by and adhere to the provisions of the 200 SERIES COMMISSION ESTABLISHMENT AND MEMBERSHIP (Indiana Code 36-7-4-200 through 299) as it relates to a Municipal Advisory Plan Commission.

III. COMMISSION ORGANIZATION

The Commission shall adhere to the provisions of Indiana Code 300 SERIES COMMISSION ORGANIZATION (Indiana Code 36-7-4-300 through 399), in all respects as it applies to Municipal Advisory Plan Commissions.

IV. POWERS AND DUTIES

The Commission shall have the power to do the following:

1. Supervise, and make rules for, the administration of the affairs of the commission;
2. Prescribe uniform rules pertaining to investigations and hearings;
3. Keep a complete record of all the departmental proceedings;
4. Record and file all bonds and contracts and assume responsibility of the custody and preservation of all papers and documents of the commission;
5. Prepare, publish, and distribute reports, ordinances, and other material relating to the activities authorized under this chapter;
6. Adopt a seal;
7. Certify to all official acts;

8. Supervise the fiscal affairs of the commission;
9. Prepare and submit an annual budget in the same manner as other departments of municipal government, and be limited to all expenditures to the provisions made for the expenditures by the fiscal body of the county of municipality.

V. MISCELLANEOUS RESPONSIBILITIES

In addition to those duties and responsibilities set forth above, the Commission shall exercise all responsibilities and obligations delegated to and imposed upon a municipal Advisory Plan Commission in the Local Planning and Zoning Statutes, Indiana Code Chapter 36-7-4.


All current sections of the Municipal Code or ordinances of the Town of Georgetown which contradict these provisions are hereby repealed.

Passed and adopted this _____ day of _____, 1994.

Georgetown Town Council



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