

SECTION 12-1

(a) **Creation of Naugatuck Valley Council of Governments.** The town hereby joins with such municipalities of the Naugatuck Valley Planning Region, as designated by the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management of the State of Connecticut, to create a regional council of governments to be known as the Naugatuck Valley Council of Governments by adopting the provisions of C.G.S. §§4-124i - 4-124p.

(1) **Transitional Provision. Certification by the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management. Transitional Executive Committee and Transitional Period.**

a. Upon certification by the Secretary of said Office of Policy and Management that at least sixty percent of the municipalities in the planning region have adopted ordinances creating a regional council of government, as required by the Connecticut General Statutes, the Naugatuck Valley Council of Governments shall be established.

b. Upon such certification, the Transitional Period shall commence. Said Transitional Period shall conclude on 31 December 2014 at 11:59:59 PM. During such period the town shall participate on the Transitional Executive Committee for the purposes set forth in the Connecticut General Statutes. The Chairman of the town council shall be a member of the Transitional Executive Committee. In the absence of the Chairman of the town council, the legislative body of the town shall appoint an elected official to serve as a member. The Chairman of the town council may send a representative in his or her stead; however, such representative shall not be a member of said executive committee.

c. This section shall expire at the conclusion of the Transitional Period and thereafter be void and of no force and effect.

(b) **Membership in the Naugatuck Valley Council of Governments.** On and after 1 January 2015, the town shall be a member of the Naugatuck Valley Council of Governments.

(c) **Powers and Duties of the Naugatuck Valley Council of Governments.** The Naugatuck Valley Council of Governments shall have such powers, purposes, rights, duties and responsibilities as shall be set forth in the Connecticut General Statutes.

(d) Representative to the Naugatuck Valley Council of Governments. The Chairman of the town council shall be the representative of the town to the council of governments. In the absence of the Chairman of the town council, the legislative body of the town shall appoint an elected official to serve as a member. The Chairman of the town council may send an alternate in his or her stead; however, such alternate shall be entitled to such rights as may be established by the council of governments. The town shall be entitled to one vote in the affairs of the council of governments.

(e) The Council of Governments of the Central Naugatuck Valley. Successor Association. The town shall remain a member of Council of Governments for the Central Naugatuck Valley as it continues to operate and wind down as a council of elected officials until December 31, 2014. The town shall also participate with the current members of council of elected officials in an unincorporated association of such municipalities in order to wind down the affairs and assets of the Council of Governments of the Central Naugatuck Valley that are either not assigned to and integrated within the operations of Naugatuck Valley Council of Governments.

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