

LOCAL LAW NO. 1-1977  
CHAUTAUQUA COUNTY

A Local Law Creating the Chautauqua County Tourism Planning Commission

BE IT ENACTED, by the County Legislature of the County of Chautauqua, New York as follows:

Section 1. *Intent.*

It is the intent of this local law to create within the framework of County government a Chautauqua County Tourism Planning Commission., the purpose of which shall be to develop programs to increase tourism and to attract tourists to Chautauqua County; to develop lists of existing tourist attractions and facilities; to conduct feasibility studies to determine what type of tourist attractions and facilities would best encourage tourists to come to Chautauqua County.

Section 2. *Creation and Establishment.*

There is hereby created and established a Chautauqua County Tourism Planning Commission.

Section 3. *Duties and Powers.*

The duties and the powers of the Chautauqua County Tourism Planning Commission shall be:

A. To develop short range and long range planning and programs to increase tourism and to attract tourists to Chautauqua County.

B. To develop and prepare lists of existing tourist attractions and facilities in Chautauqua County with specific emphasis on cottages, motel and other rental facilities.

C. To conduct feasibility studies to determine the types of tourist attractions and facilities which would maximize the potential for tourism in Chautauqua County.

D. To work closely with state, county and local officials and groups or individuals from the private sector in pursuit of the above stated powers and duties.

The Department of Planning and Development is hereby authorized and directed to furnish and provide necessary technical assistance to the Tourism Planning Commission.

E. To participate in additional programs and projects consistent with the terms of this local law as directed by the County Executive or the County Legislature.

Section 4. *Membership and Appointment.*

The Chautauqua County Tourism Planning Commission shall consist of nine (9) members, seven of which shall be appointed by the County Executive and two of which shall be

appointed by the Chairman of the County Legislature. The appointments shall be subject to confirmation of the County Legislature. Each member shall serve for a three (3) year term except the members of the County Legislature shall serve only to the end of their term. The County Executive shall designate the Chairman of the Commission from the membership thereof.

Section 5. *Meetings and Reports.*

The Chautauqua County Tourism Planning Commission shall meet at such times determined to be advantageous or essential by the membership of the Commission, the County Executive or the County Legislature, or at the call of the County Executive. The Commission shall file an annual report describing its activities for each year with the County Executive, County Legislature, and the County Comptroller no later than thirty (30) days after the close of the County's fiscal year and shall further furnish any additional reports requested by the County Executive, the County Legislature or the County Comptroller or mandated by law.

Section 6. *Compensation.*

The members of the Chautauqua County Tourism Planning Commission shall serve without compensation and shall be entitled to reimbursement for travel and other out-of-pocket expenses necessarily incurred in the conduct of official Commission business. All such reimbursements shall be made strictly within the limits set forth by the County of Chautauqua for reimbursement at the time the claim arise.

Section 7. *Effective Date.*

This Local Law shall take effect immediately.

Adopted by Legislature: 12/31/76

R/C Vote: 21 Yes; 1 No; 3 Absent (No: Colburn)

Approved by County Executive: 1/21/77

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