

ARTICLE X. ADOPTION AND AMENDMENT OF REGULATIONS

A. The Planning Board shall adopt and amend these Subdivision and Land Development Regulations according to the following procedure:

1. Notice of a public hearing on any proposed adoption or amendment shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation within the town at least once each week for three (3) successive weeks prior to the date of the hearing, which may include the week in which the hearing is to be held. The newspaper notice shall be published as a display advertisement, using a type size at least as large as the normal type size used by the newspaper in its news articles. The advertisement shall:

- a. specify the date, time and place of the public hearing;
- b. indicate that adoption, amendment or repeal of the South Kingstown Subdivision and Land Development Regulations is under consideration;
- c. contain a statement of the proposed amendment that may be printed once in its entirety, or may summarize or describe the matter under consideration;
- d. advise those interested where and when a copy of the matter under consideration may be obtained or examined and copied; and,
- e. state that the proposed amendment may be altered or amended prior to the close of the public hearing without further advertising, as a result of further study or because of the views expressed at the public hearing, provided that any such alteration or amendment must be presented for comment in the course of the public hearing.

2. Notice of the Public Hearing shall be sent to the following:

- a. The Associate Director of the Division of Planning of the Rhode Island Department of Administration. Said notice, which may be a copy of the newspaper advertisement, shall be sent at least two (2) weeks prior to the public hearing.
- b. The city or town planning board of any municipality where there is a public or quasi-public water source, or private water source that is used or is suitable for use as a public water source, located within two thousand (2,000) feet of South Kingstown's boundaries. Said notice shall be sent by first class mail.
- c. The governing body of any state or municipal water department or agency, special water district, or private water company that has riparian rights to a surface water resource and/or a surface watershed that is used or is suitable for use as a public water source located within South Kingstown or within two thousand (2,000) feet of South Kingstown's boundaries, provided that the governing body of the state or municipal water department or agency, special water district, or private water company has filed with the South Kingstown building inspector

a map survey showing the areas of surface water resources and/or watersheds, and parcels of land within two thousand (2,000) feet of the areas of surface water resources and/or watersheds, pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws Sec. 45-24-53(E).

3. The Planning Board shall conduct a Public Hearing at the date, time and place specified in the newspaper advertisement and notices. At the hearing, opportunity shall be given to all persons interested to be heard upon the matter of the proposed regulations.

B. Printed copies of these regulations, including all appendices, shall be available to the general public and shall be revised to include all amendments. A reasonable charge may be made for copies. Upon publication of any adoption or amendment, copies shall be sent to the planning division of the Rhode Island Department of Administration, and to the state Law Library.