

BARNSTABLE COUNTY
In the Year Two Thousand and Seventeen

RESOLUTION 17-04

Whereas, the members of the Assembly of Delegates and the Barnstable County Commissioners have been reviewing the structure and efficiency of Barnstable County Government; and

Whereas, two reports commissioned by the County and issued within the past, and numerous comments received from the public have recommended a restructuring of County Government.

NOW THEREFORE,

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that we, the Barnstable County Assembly of Delegates agree to consider a restructuring of the current County Government model and recommend the following Executive and Legislative Branch models:

EXECUTIVE BRANCH: The executive powers of the Cape Cod regional government (Barnstable County) shall be exercised by a board of regional commissioners consisting of five members. Each member shall be elected from one of (5) five districts of Barnstable County.

County Administrator: A so-called strong County Administrator shall be appointed to manage the day to day affairs and business of Barnstable County.

LEGISLATIVE BRANCH: The Assembly of Delegates shall consist of one elected non-partisan representative from each town in Barnstable County, with a weighted vote system.

This Resolution represents the opinion of the Assembly of Delegates relative to the model and the initial steps that are necessary to implement a re-structuring of County Government.

The Assembly of Delegates shall seek to refine the concepts outlined in this Resolution by working with the Barnstable County Commissioners, legal counsel, and/or any sub-committees created for this specific purpose so as to present a single restructured governance model for approval by the population of Barnstable County.

The foregoing resolution was adopted by the Barnstable County Assembly of Delegates, by a roll call vote of 58.80% voting “yes”, 6.58% voting “no”, and 34.62% “absent” at the regular meeting held on September 6, 2017.

Attested by:

**Janice O’Connell, Clerk
Assembly of Delegates**