

# COUNTY OF SUFFOLK



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COUNCIL ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

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CEQ

## **SUFFOLK COUNTY COUNCIL ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY MINUTES**

DATE: July 19, 2017

TIME: 9:30 am – 10:35 am

LOCATION: Arthur Kunz Library

H. Lee Dennison Bldg. – 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor

Veterans Memorial Highway, Hauppauge, New York

### PRESENT:

Larry Swanson, Chair  
Michael Kaufman, Vice Chair  
Robert Carpenter Jr.  
Frank De Rubeis  
Michael Doall  
Eva Growney

### ABSENT:

Hon. Kara Hahn  
Thomas Gulbransen  
Constance Kepert  
Mary Ann Spencer

### CAC REPRESENTATIVES:

None

### STAFF:

Andrew Freleng, Chief Planner  
John Corral, Senior Planner  
Christine DeSalvo, Principal Clerk Typist

**GUESTS:**

Dorian Dale, Director of Sustainability, Suffolk County Department of Economic Development and Planning

Nick Gibbons, Principal Environmental Analyst, Suffolk County Department of Parks, Recreation and Conservation

Frank Castelli, Environmental Projects Coordinator, Suffolk County Department of Economic Development and Planning, Division of Planning and Environment

Jonathan Keyes, Director of Downtown & TOD, Suffolk County Department of Economic Development and Planning

Diego De La Rocha, Intern, Suffolk County Department of Economic Development and Planning, Division of Planning and Environment

Sophia Anuth, Intern, Suffolk County Department of Economic Development and Planning, Division of Planning and Environment

Maria Nida, Assistant County Attorney, Suffolk County Department of Law

John Pavacic, Executive Director, Central Pine Barrens Commission

Polly Welgand, Ecologist, Central Pine Barrens Commission

**Taken out of Order:**

**Other Business:**

Mr. William Bowman with Land Use Ecological Services, Inc. gave a presentation regarding the Central Pine Barrens Commission Ecological Services Restoration for NYSDEC Eastport Conservation Area/Suffolk County Pine Meadows County Park Grasslands project.

It was noted that as the anticipated Lead Agency for this project, the New York State Central Pine Barrens Commission conducted a SEQRA Coordinated Review with the two Involved Agencies: Suffolk County and the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation. It was also noted that the New York State Central Pine Barrens Land Use Plan states that the Pine Barrens Commission shall seek SEQRA Lead Agency status for any development project located within the Core of the Central Pine Barrens. In addition to the SEQRA coordination, it was noted that the Central Pine Barrens Commission will closely coordinate project activities with both Suffolk County and NYSDEC throughout the duration of the project.

**Minutes:**

Minutes for the June 21, 2017 CEQ minutes were reviewed and discussed.

A motion was made by Mr. Kaufman to approve the June 21, 2017 minutes. The motion was seconded by Ms. Growney. Mr. Doall abstained. Motion carried.

**Correspondence:**

None

**Public Portion:**

None

**Historic Trust Docket:**

None

**Project Review:**

**Recommended Unlisted Actions:**

- A. Proposed Implementation of a Suffolk County Regional Bike Share Pilot Program

Jonathan Keyes, Director of Downtown & TOD, Suffolk County Department of Economic Development and Planning gave a presentation on the implementation of a Suffolk County Regional Bike Share Pilot Program. The pilot bike share program is proposed to include approximately 150-200 bikes and the installation of 12-15 bikeshare stations around Suffolk County. The proposed bikeshare stations will vary in size but in general will have a minimal footprint and be located in non-environmentally sensitive areas. The proposed pilot program will include a smartphone app that will be made available to help facilitate short-term bike rental.

Mr. Carpenter made a motion to recommend classification of the proposed project as an Unlisted Action with a Negative Declaration. Ms. Growney seconded the motion. Motion carries.

**Project Review:**

**Recommendations for LADS Report:**

Recommendations for Legislative Resolutions Laid on the Table June 20, 2017

Mr. Corral noted that the staff's SEQRA recommendations are listed on the June 20, 2017 LADS reports. Mr. De Rubeis had a question about IR 1550-2017 regarding a green roof project at Suffolk County Community College. Mr. Corral noted that Suffolk County Community College was the SEQRA Lead Agency for this project and determined that it was a Type II Action. Mr. Corral also noted that he would send Mr. De Rebeis the background information on this project for reference.

Mr. Kaufman made a motion to accept staff recommendations as amended for the June 20, 2017 Resolutions. The motion was seconded by Ms. Gowney. Motion carried.

**CAC Concerns:**

None

Meeting Adjourned

