

January 28, 2021

Rockville Centre, New York

The Board of Trustees held a Public Meeting on the above date via video and telephone conference call at 6:00 p.m. due to Covid-19 pandemic, and in compliance with Executive Orders issued by Governor Cuomo. All participants were on the conference call at the same time, and all participants were able to hear each other; members of the public were afforded the opportunity to hear and observe by video or telephone conference call. The meeting was recorded, and the transcription is on file in the Village office. The recording is available on the Village website.

PRESENT: Mayor Francis X. Murray, Deputy Mayor Kathy Baxley, Trustees Emilio F. Grillo and Nancy Howard.

ABSENT: Trustee Michael Sepe

ALSO PRESENT: Village Administrator Kathleen Murray, Village Attorney A. Thomas Levin, Village Comptroller Dennis Morgan, Police Lieutenant Christopher Romance, Village Engineer Kevin Reilly, Superintendent of Building Patrick D. O’Brien, Deputy Clerk Wendy Weinstock, Director of Public Works Administration Gwynne Feiner, Director of Public Works Operations John Thorp, Acting Superintendent of Electric Eileen Foglietta, Director of Senior Services Chris O’Leary, Deputy Superintendent of Recreation Karen Polito, Director of MLK Patrick Morris, Community Development Director Suzanne Sullivan, Public Relations Counsel Julie Grilli, and Secretary to the Board Lisa Butler

ATTENDANCE: 4 people

The Village Administrator read a statement regarding the circumstances under which the meeting was held. See the recording of the meeting for the full text of the statement.

The Board reviewed the proposed agenda for the February 1, 2021 Board of Trustees meeting.

On motion of Trustee Baxley, duly seconded by Trustee Grillo and carried by a vote of four to none the Board adopted the following resolution in regard to The Nassau County Hazard Mitigation Plan.

**RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE
NASSAU COUNTY HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN**

WHEREAS, all of Nassau County has exposure to natural hazards that increase the risk to life, property, environment and the County’s economy; and

WHEREAS, pro-active mitigation of known hazards before a disaster event can reduce or eliminate long-term risk to life and property; and

WHEREAS, The Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 (Public Law 106-390) established new requirements for pre and post disaster hazard mitigation programs; and

WHEREAS, a coalition of Nassau County municipalities with like planning objectives has been formed to pool resources and create consistent mitigation strategies within Nassau County; and

WHEREAS, the coalition has completed a planning process that engaged the public, assessed the risk and vulnerability to the impacts of natural hazards, developed a mitigation strategy consistent with a set of uniform goals and objectives, and created a plan for implementing, evaluating and revising this strategy; AND

WHEREAS, that planning process has generated a Nassau County Hazard Mitigation Plan, including a Village of Rockville Centre Annex, collectively referred to as the “Plan”, which has been adopted by Nassau County on January 26, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of the Village of Rockville Centre finds and concludes that adoption of the Nassau County Hazard Mitigation Plan by the Village is in the best interests of the residents and taxpayers of the Village,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Rockville Centre hereby finds and concludes pursuant to the State Environmental Quality Review Act that the action herein taken has no significant adverse environmental impact, and that no further environmental impact review is required, and it is further

RESOLVED, that the Village of Rockville Centre:

1. Adopts in its entirety, the Nassau County Hazard Mitigation Plan (the “Plan”) as the Village’s Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan, including the Village of Rockville Centre Annex, and resolves to execute the actions identified in the Plan as they pertain to the Village;
2. Will use the adopted and approved portions of the Plan to guide pre- and post-disaster mitigation of the hazards identified;
3. Will coordinate the strategies identified in the Plan with other planning programs and mechanisms under its jurisdictional authority;
4. Will continue its support of the Mitigation Planning Committee as described within the Plan;
5. Will help to promote and support the mitigation successes of all participants in this Plan;
6. Will incorporate mitigation planning as an integral component of government and partner operations;
7. Will provide an update of the Plan in conjunction with Nassau County no less than every five years;

And it is further

RESOLVED, that the Village Administrator shall cause registration of the adoption of this resolution to be filed with appropriate agencies of Nassau County as required by the Plan.

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On motion of Trustee Grillo, duly seconded by Trustee Howard and unanimously carried the Board voted to convene in executive session at 6:20 p.m. to discuss matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal, or removal of a particular person, pending litigation and for legal advice. Susan Boland with Bartlett LLC was in attendance for a portion of the executive session regarding pending litigation and Patrick D. O'Brien Superintendent of Building was in attendance for a portion of the executive session regarding legal advice.

No action was taken in executive session.

On motion of Trustee Howard, duly seconded by Trustee Baxley and unanimously carried, the Board closed the executive session and returned to public session and adjourned the meeting at 7:20 pm.

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The Board of Trustees meeting was held on the above date via video and telephone conference call at 7:00 p.m. due to Covid-19 pandemic, and in compliance with Executive Orders issued by Governor Cuomo. All participants were on the conference call at the same time, and all participants were able to hear each other; members of the public were afforded the opportunity to hear and observe by video or telephone conference call. The meeting was recorded, and the transcription is on file in the Village office. The recording is available on the Village website.

PRESENT: Mayor Francis X. Murray, Deputy Mayor Kathy Baxley, Trustees Emilio F. Grillo, Nancy Howard. Trustee Michael Sepe arrived at 7:15pm.

ALSO PRESENT: Village Administrator Kathleen Murray, Village Attorney A. Thomas Levin, Village Comptroller Dennis Morgan, Police Commissioner James Vafeades, Acting Superintendent of Electric Eileen Foglietta, Village Engineer Kevin Reilly, Superintendent of Building Patrick D. O'Brien, Director of Public Works Administration Gwynne Feiner, Deputy Superintendent of Recreation Karen Polito, Director of MLK Patrick Morris, Community Development Director Suzanne Sullivan, Public Relations Counsel Julie Grilli, and Secretary to the Board Lisa Butler

ATTENDANCE: 3 people

The Village Administrator read a statement regarding the circumstances under which the meeting was held. See the recording of the meeting for the full text of the statement.

Village Administrator Kathleen Murray opened the public hearing with respect to the Community Development Block Grant 47th Program Year.

After hearing all interested persons in attendance, on motion of Trustee Sepe, duly seconded by Trustee Howard and unanimously carried, the Board voted to close the public hearing regarding the Community Development Block Grant 47th Program Year.

For details of the comments and discussions from the Board and public please refer to the recording on the Village website.

Mayor Murray made the appointments of new hires, promotions and other appointments as shown on the list of "Managerial & Confidential and Part Time Employees from December 4, 2020 Through January 27, 2021" on file in the Village office together with these minutes.

On motion of Trustee Howard, duly seconded by Trustee Baxley and unanimously carried, the Board approved the new hires, promotions and appointments, and the compensation rates for Managerial & Confidential and Part Time employees from December 4, 2020 through January 27, 2021, effective on the respective dates indicated on the full list.

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On motion of Trustee Howard, duly seconded by Trustee Grillo and unanimously carried the Board adopted the following resolution further extending Local Law 4 - 2020 Moratorium.

**RESOLUTION FURTHER EXTENDING
LOCAL LAW 4-2020 MORATORIUM**

WHEREAS, on September 14, 2020, the Board of Trustees of the Village of Rockville Centre duly adopted Local Law 4-2020, to implement a temporary moratorium on permits for certain signs or awnings; and

WHEREAS, the said Local Law was effective upon filing with the New York Secretary of State; and

WHEREAS, section three (a) of the said Local Law provided that the moratorium enacted by such Local Law would remain in effect for a period of thirty (30) days after filing of the Local Law; and

WHEREAS, the said Local Law was duly filed with the New York Secretary of State on September 18, 2020, by reason of which the initial duration of the moratorium was for the period of time to and including October 18, 2020; and

WHEREAS, section three (b) of the said Local Law provided that the Board of Trustees, acting by one or more resolutions, could extend the duration of the moratorium for additional periods of time not exceeding in total one hundred eighty (180) days; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the said moratorium was to provide time for the Village Board of Trustees to consider and enact revisions to current Village Code provisions regarding authorized signs and awnings; and

WHEREAS, in the exercise of its authority under such Local Law, and in order to provide sufficient time for due consideration and drafting of legislation, the Board of Trustees heretofore extended the duration of the moratorium to and including February 15, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees continues to consider drafts of such legislation, and concludes that the period of time to finalize that proposed legislation, hold required public hearing(s) and follow other required procedural steps before adopting such legislation requires that the moratorium be further extended as authorized by such Local Law,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the duration of the moratorium adopted by Local Law 4-2020, which currently expires February 15, 2021, be, and hereby is, extended for an additional sixty (60) days to and including April 16, 2021.

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On motion of Trustee Sepe, duly seconded by Trustee Baxley and unanimously carried the Board authorized the Mayor or his designee to execute an agreement and electronically accept the terms and conditions of the Tier 2 Renewable Energy Certificates Purchase and Sale Agreement at a cost not to exceed \$60,000.00 per 12-month period.

On motion of Trustee Howard, duly seconded by Trustee Baxley and unanimously carried the Board authorized the Mayor or his designee to execute an agreement with NY Diagnostic Management Corp. d/b/a Nassau NDI Diagnostics.

On motion of Trustee Baxley, duly seconded by Trustee Grillo and unanimously carried the Board adopted the following resolution to publish a legal notice for a public hearing regarding Bill RVC 2021A a local law authorizing a property tax levy in excess of the limit established in General Municipal Law §3-c.

RESOLUTION

Publication of legal notice for public hearing

Bill RVC 2021A. A local law authorizing a property tax levy in excess of the limit established in General Municipal Law §3-c

WHEREAS, the Village Board of Trustees cannot presently determine whether there will be a need to override for the 2021-2022 fiscal year the tax levy limit established in the General Municipal Law; and

WHEREAS, if the Board does conclude that there is a need to do so, it is required prior to approval of the Village budget for that fiscal year to adopt a local law to authorize the Board of Trustees to override the tax levy limit; and

WHEREAS, in order to be in a position to adopt such a local law should it be determined to be necessary at the time of approval of the Village budget, the Village each year has initiated, but not necessarily concluded, the process of adopting a local law which would permit the Village to exceed the tax limit; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing is required for the adoption of such proposed local law, and a legal notice is required to announce the subject, time and place of the public hearing,

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that the Village Administrator shall cause a legal notice to be published in the next available edition of the official newspaper of the Village of Rockville Centre to announce that a public hearing will commence with respect to the proposed local law RVC 2021A on March 1, 2021 at 7:00 pm. and shall give such other notice of hearing as may be required by law.

Dated: February 1, 2021

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On motion of Trustee Sepe, duly seconded by Trustee Grillo and unanimously carried the Board adopted the following resolution to publish a legal notice for a public hearing regarding the Police Collaborative Reform Plan.

**PUBLIC HEARING RESOLUTION
NEW YORK STATE POLICE REFORM
AND REINVENTION COLLABORATIVE**

WHEREAS, by Executive Order 203 (“EO 203”), issued June 12, 2021, entitled “New York State Police Reform and Reinvention Collaborative”, Governor Cuomo required that every local government which has a police department must perform a “comprehensive review of current policy force deployments, strategies, policies, procedures and practices”, and must develop “a plan to improve” all of them; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to EO 203, the Mayor caused to be convened the head of the local police department and community stakeholders, to develop such a plan, to consider each of the particular areas of concern required to be addressed, and to consult with interested other parties; and

WHEREAS, the foregoing consultation has included the local police force, members of the community, interested not-for-profit and faith-based community groups, the District Attorney, local public defenders and local elected officials; and

WHEREAS, as a result of such consultation, a draft plan has been prepared, and is to be offered for public comment, after which it must be presented to the Board of Trustees for adoption to take place on or before April 1, 2021;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Rockville Center, in order to timely solicit and receive such public comment, hereby directs that a public hearing with respect to such draft plan be held on March 1, 2021, at 7:00 pm, in conjunction with the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees to be held at such date and time; and it is further

RESOLVED, that the Village Administrator is hereby directed to give notice of such public hearing as may be required by law.

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On motion of Trustee Baxley, duly seconded by Trustee Howard and unanimously carried the Board adopted the following resolution to make SEQRA Determination, and Authorize Lease Renewal Between the Village of Rockville Centre and the Economic Opportunity Commission of Nassau County, Inc.

RESOLUTION TO MAKE SEQRA DETERMINATION, AND AUTHORIZE LEASE RENEWAL BETWEEN VILLAGE OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE AND ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY COMMISSION OF NASSAU COUNTY, INC.

Whereas, the Village of Rockville Centre (“Village”) and the Economic Opportunity Commission of Nassau County, Inc. (“EOC”) heretofore entered into a certain Lease agreements (including a Rider) for a ease terms commencing August 1, 2014 and ending June 30, 2020, for a portion (“Leased Premises”) of the premises owned by the Village at the Dr. Martin Luther King Community Center, at 150 North Centre Avenue, Rockville Centre, New York; and

Whereas, following the expiration of the term of the said Lease, the EOC has continued to occupy the Leased Premises subject to the provisions of the said Lease; and

Whereas, the Village and the EOC wish to memorialize that continued occupancy, and to revive, renew and extend the said Lease for a period extending to and including June 30, 2021;

Now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees, as Lead Agency pursuant to the State Environmental Quality Review Act and its implementing regulations, hereby finds and determines that the revival, renewal and extension of the said Lease is a Type II Action, as provided in 6 NYCRR 617.5(c)(32), which requires no further environmental impact review; and it is further

RESOLVED, that the Mayor, or his designee, is hereby authorized and empowered on behalf of the Village to execute an agreement between the Village and the EOC, in a form approved by the Village Attorney, to revive, renew and extend the said Lease for a term commencing July 1, 2020 and ending June 30 2021, otherwise on the same terms and conditions as the previous lease agreement for the term ending June 30, 2020.

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On motion of Trustee Grillo, duly seconded by Trustee Howard and carried by a vote of four to none, with Trustee Sepe abstaining, the Board approved the State of New York Public Service Commission Modifications to the Clean Energy Standard.

On motion of Trustee Baxley, duly seconded by Trustee Sepe and unanimously carried the Board adopted the following resolution to publish a legal notice for a public hearing regarding the Bill RVC 2021D, A local law to amend the Code of the Village of Rockville Centre, in relation to establishing a Transit-Oriented Development (TOD) Overlay District.

RESOLUTION

Publication of legal notice for public hearing – RVC 2021D

Bill RVC 2021D. A local law to amend the Code of the Village of Rockville Centre, in relation to establishing a Transit-Oriented Development (TOD) Overlay District.

WHEREAS, the Village Board of Trustees is considering enactment of legislation to amend the Village Code to establish a Transit-Oriented Development (TOD) District in designated portions of the downtown business district in the Village; and

WHEREAS, adoption of a local law is required in order to implement any such regulation; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing is required for the adoption of such proposed local law, and a legal notice is required to announce the subject, time and place of the public hearing,

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that the Village Administrator shall cause a legal notice to be given as required by law, including publication in the next available edition of the official newspaper of the Village of Rockville Centre, to announce that a public hearing will commence with respect to the proposed local law RVC 2021D on March 1, 2021 at 7:00 pm, and shall give such other notice of the date, time and place of such hearing as may be required by law.

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On motion of Trustee Baxley, duly seconded by Trustee Sepe and unanimously carried the Board adopted the following resolution to publish a legal notice for a public hearing regarding the Bill RVC 2021C, A local law to amend the Code of the Village of Rockville Centre, in relation to prohibiting certain transient dwelling uses.

RESOLUTION

Publication of legal notice for public hearing – RVC 2021C

Bill RVC 2021C. A local law to amend the Code of the Village of Rockville Centre, in relation to prohibiting certain transient dwelling uses.

WHEREAS, the Village Board of Trustees is concerned about the actual and potential impact of certain transient dwelling uses on the public health, safety and general welfare; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees is considering enactment of regulations restricting such uses of property in the Village; and

WHEREAS, adoption of a local law is required in order to implement any such regulation; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing is required for the adoption of such proposed local law, and a legal notice is required to announce the subject, time and place of the public hearing,

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that the Village Administrator shall cause a legal notice to be given as required by law, including publication in the next available edition of the official newspaper of the Village of Rockville Centre, to announce that a public hearing will commence with respect to the proposed local law RVC 2021C on March 1, 2021at 7:00 pm, and shall give such other notice of the date, time and place of such hearing as may be required by law.

On motion of Trustee Howard, duly seconded by Trustee Baxley and unanimously carried the Board authorized the Mayor, or his designee, to execute a Personal Service Agreement with Marie Simmons.

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On motion of Trustee Howard, duly seconded by Trustee Grillo and unanimously carried the Board approved the following minutes for filing:

Special Meeting ----- December 17, 2020
Executive Session ----- December 17, 2020
Briefing Meeting ----- December 30, 2020
Board Meeting ----- January 4, 2021

Village Administrator Kathleen Murray announced that the Fire Department held their regular Council meeting on January 19, 2021 and read the following report regarding changes to the department membership. "We had no changes to our department membership."

On motion of Trustee Howard, duly seconded by Trustee Baxley and unanimously carried the Board approved the Fire Department Membership report.

On motion of Trustee Sepe duly seconded by Trustee Howard and unanimously carried, the Board voted to adjourn the meeting at 7:37 p.m.

Kathleen Murray
Village Administrator/
Clerk-Treasurer