

RESOLUTION

Town Board of the Town of Warwick

SEQR LEAD AGENCY DETERMINATION OF FGEIS COMPLETENESS AMENDMENTS TO TOWN ZONING LAW CREATING A NEW COMMUNITY BUSINESS ZONING DISTRICT

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Warwick has proposed the adoption of amendments to the Town's Zoning Law (hereinafter "Proposed Action"); and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has declared itself Lead Agency with regard to the SEQR review of the Proposed Action, and designated this action as Type I under SEQR; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board issued a Positive Declaration requiring the preparation of a Draft Generic Environmental Impact Statement ("DGEIS") on December 6, 2005, and conducted Scoping pursuant to Section 617.8 of the SEQR regulations and, after issuance of a Final Scoping Document on February 23, 2006, directed the Town Planner to prepare a DGEIS; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board, on February 18, 2010, issued a Notice of Completeness for the DGEIS, conducted a public hearing on the DGEIS on March 18, 2010 and accepted written public comments on the DGEIS until April 1, 2010; and

WHEREAS, as a result of the comments received by the Town Board on the Proposed Action, and DGEIS, the Town Board has held meetings and has directed the Town Planner to make certain amendments, corrections and changes to the Proposed Action in response to those public comments and the Town Board's own further review of the Proposed Action; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board directed the Town Planner to evaluate the potential impacts of the changes and amendments to the Proposed Action through the Final Generic Environmental Impact Statement (FGEIS) process; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has reviewed copies of the proposed revised Zoning Amendments and FGEIS.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Warwick, as Lead Agency for the Proposed Action, hereby determines that the Scope and content of the FGEIS is adequate for purposes of commencing filing and public consideration of the FGEIS and issues a Notice of Completion of the FGEIS, a copy of which is annexed hereto; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of the attached Notice of Completion of FGEIS shall be distributed with each FGEIS circulated; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of the FGEIS Notice of Completeness is hereby authorized to be published in the Environmental Notice Bulletin as set forth in 6 NYCRR Section 617.12(c)(1); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of the FGEIS Notice of Completeness and this Resolution shall be filed and provided to those Interested Agencies as set forth in the Notice of Completion annexed hereto; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a complete copy of the DGEIS and FGEIS of the Proposed Action shall be posted on the Town's official website at www.townofwarwick.org and copies of the DGEIS and FGEIS shall be made available for inspection at the Town Hall located at 132 Kings Highway, Warwick, New York, and at the Wisner Library; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Clerk shall make suitable arrangements for the printing of hard copies of these documents for those who request a hard copy of the same, with the reasonable cost of copying charged to the individual, agency or other entity requesting copies of the same.

Whereupon this Resolution was declared adopted by the Town Board of the Town of Warwick. The motion was offered by Town Board member _____. The motion was seconded by Town Board member _____.

The Town Board Members voted as follows:

Supervisor Sweeton:	_____
Councilman DeAngelo	_____
Councilman DeBuck	_____
Councilman Gerstner	_____
Councilman Shuback	_____

This Motion was carried by a _____ vote of the Town Board Members on August 12, 2010.

Marjorie Quackenbush
Town Clerk

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State Environmental Quality Review (SEQR)

Notice of Completion of Final Generic Environmental Impact Statement (FGEIS)

Lead Agency: Town Board of the Town of Warwick

Address: Town Hall
132 Kings Highway
Warwick, NY 10990

Date: August 12, 2010

This notice is issued pursuant to Part 617 of the implementing regulations pertaining to Article 8 (State Environmental Quality Review Act) of the Environmental Conservation Law.

A Final Generic Environmental Impact Statement (FGEIS) has been completed and adopted for the proposed action described below by the Town Board of the Town of Warwick, the SEQR Lead Agency for the action. A public comment period was held on the Draft Generic Environmental Impact Statement (DGEIS) from February 18, 2010 until April 1, 2010, with a public hearing held at Warwick Town Hall on March 18, 2010.

Name of Action: Proposed Community Business Zoning District

Description of Action: The Town Board of the Town of Warwick has proposed adoption of Zoning Law amendments to implement several recommendations of the Town's 2008 *Comprehensive Plan*. The recommended action addresses an identified need for an alternative pattern of development in the Route 94/Warwick Turnpike area of the Town of Warwick. Much of this area was designated for Designed Shopping (DS) and Office Industrial Park (OI) development in the 1970's and later in the Town's 1987 *Master Plan*. The form of development prescribed at that time is considered to be conventional suburban highway strip development. In both the Town's 1999 and 2008 *Comprehensive Plans*, this area was recommended for a review of its continued "*appropriateness*" in light of new recommendations to avoid the proliferation of strip commercial development, which residents' want to prevent. The proposed Zoning amendments would create a new pedestrian friendly, walkable mixed-use area, called the Community Business District.

Location: Designed Shopping and Office and Industrial Park Zoning District in the Route 94 and Warwick Turnpike area of the Town of Warwick

Potential Environmental Impacts:

1. The proposed action is consistent with a recommendation of the 2008 Town Comprehensive Plan.
2. The proposed action is consistent with Hudson River Valley Greenway principles and is consistent with the Orange County Plan.
3. The proposed action is intended to create less auto dependence in an area of the Town that is currently zoned exclusively for land uses that are only accessible by motor vehicles.
4. The proposed action has been analyzed with respect to its potential adverse impacts on Land Use and Zoning, Water Resources, Terrestrial and Aquatic Ecology, Transportation, Community Services and Infrastructure, Cultural Resources, Economic and Fiscal Conditions, and Retail Market Conditions. No significant adverse environmental impacts have been identified as a result of the proposed Action.

The FGEIS is herewith circulated to all Interested Agencies. A Copy of the FGEIS is available through the contact person named below. Additional paper copies of the FGEIS are available for examination at the Warwick Town Hall and electronic versions are available for downloading and printing on the Town of Warwick Internet website at <http://www.townofwarwick.org/>.

Contact Person: Michael Sweeton, Supervisor
Address: Town Board of the Town of Warwick
Town Hall
132 Kings Highway
Warwick, NY 10990
Telephone: 845.986.1124

A Copy of this Notice and FGEIS Filed With:

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Warwick, NY 10990

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