

TOWN OF NISKAYUNA
Complete Streets Committee
A G E N D A

December 12, 2023
2:30 P.M.

Schaefer Room, Town Hall & Hybrid Google Meets

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ROLL CALL

III. PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

IV. MINUTES

1. October 27, 2023

V. OLD BUSINESS

1. Draft Comprehensive Plan Chapter “Mobility and Transportation”
(Duggal/Kuzsman)
2. Linkage Study for Route 7 (attached) – TAP application for Route 7 (in progress)
3. ShopRite Plaza updates – recommendations (map attached)

VI. NEW BUSINESS

1. Planning Projects
 - i. 2890 River Road – sketch plan application for 3 lot subdivision (map)
 - ii. 1430 Balltown Road – School District head-quarters (map)
2. 2024 Meeting dates and times (last Tuesday of the month, 3pm start proposed)

VII. DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Plum St Sidewalk (complete) – next steps
2. Complete Streets Demonstration Projects
3. Winnie Road Easement – Letter to owners
4. Priority Letter meetings – Schenectady County Manager
5. 2024 Complete Streets Goals (Bill Chapman)
6. Push button on St. Josephs (Bill Chapman)
7. Complete Streets map updates (Bill Chapman)

VIII. REPORTS

IX. ADJOURNMENT

NEXT MEETING
TBD

**TOWN OF NISKAYUNA
COMPLETE STREETS COMMITTEE**

**Hybrid In Person (Schaefer Room) / Remote Meeting (Google Meets)
Meeting Minutes
October 27, 2023**

Members Present: William Chapman, Co-Chairman
Ben O'Shea (virtual), Co-Chairman
Jim Levy
Andrew Millsbaugh (virtual)
Catherine Kuzsman
James Lian, Student Representative

Also Present Clark Henry, Assistant Planner
Trisha Bergami, Planning Department

I. CALL TO ORDER

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 2:30pm.

II. ROLL CALL

Karla Duggal, Theresa Healy, Avi Barr and Percy Davis were excused today.

III. PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

No one for Privilege of the Floor

IV. MINUTES

1. September 29, 2023

Including the corrections, Chairman Chapman made a motion to approve the 9/29/2023 minutes.
The 9/29/2023 minutes were approved unanimously.

V. OLD BUSINESS

- a. Draft Comprehensive Plan Chapter "Mobility and Transportation"
(Duggal/Kuzsman) – Subcommittee meeting

Chairman Chapman said the sub-committee for the Comprehensive Plan met on October 18.

Ms. Kuzsman stated they have three emphasis areas and they are still fine tuning the introduction they have now. The emphasis areas are Safety, Mobility and Connectivity. Ms. Kuzsman said they are still waiting to get some crash data back for the Safety section. She stated that in the next few weeks maybe they will be ready to meet as a group and go over the first draft and add the pictures and maps and then bring it to Complete Streets to look at. Ms. Kuzsman said they want to ask the MPO for the traffic flow study of Balltown Road, with the improvements that have been made in the last few years, to see if there are any areas of congestion.

Mr. Levy suggested not to list projects in the Comprehensive Plan but rather on the website or in the appendix so as things get completed the list can be updated.

It was stated that the Comprehensive Plan Committee will have a consultant that will put all the information from each section together with the same format including the pictures and maps.

b. Linkage Study for Route 7 – TAP application for Route 7 (Jim Levy)

Mr. Levy said there were many people from DOT in the room at Monday's meeting as well as the Chief of Police, Detective Munger, Supervisor Puccioni and Ms. Robertson. He said everyone agreed that there is an issue that needs to be assessed and looked at. Everyone was in agreement that dropping the speed limit and putting up new signs would not change the situation. Driving is much more aggressive than it was years ago, so different options were discussed. The biggest problem noted is that it is a five-lane road. The three "Es" need to be looked at, Education, Enforcement and Engineering. There was much discussion about this subject.

Mr. Levy said there are a couple options, the first would be a planning study and the next option would be the TAP Grant. Mr. Robertson said she was told by the staff at Region One they thought the TAP Grant (Transportation Alternatives Program) could potentially fund some pedestrian and safety improvements with the right application.

Ms. Kuzsman said the third option could be the State using their own money or Federal money and just starting improvements within their own framework.

Mr. Levy said suggesting getting the Linkage Study to do a high-level assessment and get those details ironed out is needed for either the State or the Town to make significant changes to the Corridor.

Chairman Chapman asked about applying for the Safe Streets and Roads for All money, he said it seems like this would be a natural fit. Mr. Levy said there is a ton of money out there right now through the infrastructure bill that was passed by Congress. The Board agreed to continue to discuss this.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

a. ShopRite Plaza updates – recommendations

b. Planning Projects

i. GE Global Research – sketch plan application for 2 lot subdivision

Mr. Henry said this is a new project that came before the Planning Board. The plan is to subdivide the property into two lots to line up with the division of GE. Mr. Henry said it is a straight forward subdivision. Mr. Henry said there is a plan for the future to possibly add an internal connecting road on the property.

Mr. O'Shea asked if the Complete Streets Committee could ask them to connect the bike path to the neighborhood up the hill.

Mr. Henry said he will make a note of that. Mr. Millspaugh said the Knolls property would get in the way of that connection he believes.

78 ii. 2890 River Road – sketch plan application for 4 lot subdivision
79 Mr. Henry stated there is one old home that is proposed to be taken down with this 4-lot
80 subdivision. This is at the sketch plan phase with the Planning Board.

81 **VII. DISCUSSION ITEMS**
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83 a. Plum St Sidewalk Progress Report
84 The ribbon cutting for this new sidewalk took place the morning of October 27. Supervisor
85 Puccioni, Hillside Principal, Chairman Chapman, Ms. Foti and several children that are walkers
86 to mention a few, were present for the ribbon cutting

87 b. Complete Streets Demonstration Projects
88 Chairman Chapman said this will be revisited.

89 c. Winnie Road Easement – Audrey Cox
90 Chairman Chapman said Ms. Robertson is in contact with the property owners. The property
91 owners are requesting a letter stating the particulars like liability and who would maintain this
92 strip of property before they make any decisions.

93 d. Priority Letter meetings
94 Chairman Chapman said the County Manager said he is happy to sit down and talk with the
95 Complete Streets Committee.

96 **VIII. REPORTS**
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100 **IX. ADJOURNMENT**

101 Motion to adjourn by Mr. Levy, seconded by Ms. Kuzsman. All in favor. The meeting was
102 adjourned at 3:51 pm.

LINKAGE STUDY APPLICATION 2023

Part 1: Applicant Information

Lead Applicant: *Town of Niskayuna*

Contact Person: *Laura Robertson*

Address: *1 Niskayuna Circle, ATTN Planning Dept, Niskayuna, New York, 12309*

Phone Number: *518-386-4531*

Email: [*lrobertson@niskayuna.org*](mailto:lrobertson@niskayuna.org)

Co-Applicant(s), if applicable: *N/A*

Part 2: Basic Project Information

Project Name: *Complete Streets Study: NYS Route 7 Niskayuna*

What is the proposed project type? (select one): *Community Planning / Linkage Program (\$20,000-\$150,000)*

Please upload a project location or study area map, if applicable (.pdf format). *UPLOADED*

Does the study area or project location include, or is adjacent to, an Environmental Justice area determined by the Transportation Council (see link below)? *No*

Do you own and maintain the roadway in the study area or project location? *No (you must obtain permission & a commitment from facility owner)*

If you do not own or maintain the roadway, please describe who owns and maintains it. *NYS Route 7 is owned by NYSDOT. The Town of Niskayuna maintains the sidewalks.*

If you do not own or maintain the roadway, please upload a letter(s) indicating commitment of transportation facility owner(s), to the project (.pdf format). *UPLOADED*

Project description, including how the proposed project advanced the principles of New Visions 2050 and the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (limited to 500 words).

This project would be a complete streets study or Route 7 with proposed Complete Streets treatments to the corridor.

New Visions focuses on developing a quality region through Key Planning Strategies such as encouraging drivers to drive less by developing strong alternatives, promoting shared mobility, and moving towards zero deaths from traffic crashes. It encourages investment in safety, Complete Streets, bike/ped travel and transit. It also encourages Complete Streets corridor studies. A NYS Route 7 Complete Streets Corridor study will work towards many of these goals. By creating a plan that will integrate multi-modal transportation systems into the right of way,

examine road diets and green infrastructure medians, and look at transit stop improvements as well as traditional vehicle safety, this project will increase safety for motorized and non-motorized users, increase accessibility and improve the quality of life of the region's residents.

Using the USDOT Equitable Transportation Community Explorer (a Justice40 tool), a portion of the Route 7 corridor in Niskayuna shows up as having transportation insecurity due to its high levels of fatalities per 100,000 residents, impacting its safety score in the mapper. CRTC recently completed a crash analysis on the corridor and also found sections that meet the NYS threshold for potential safety improvements (PSI). Anecdotally, planners in the Town of Niskayuna hear from Niskayuna residents that they want to use Route 7 but don't feel safe. Complete Streets elements can help address the transportation insecurity and equity issues that arise from it, and increasing safety and security for all users meets several of the federal planning factors outlined in New Visions 2050.

The Bipartisan Infrastructure Law focuses on repairing and rebuilding roads with a focus on climate change mitigation, resilience, equity, and safety for all users, and seeks to make infrastructure resilient against the impacts of climate change and extreme weather events. This plan also addresses these goals because it will look at concepts and treatments to make the road usable and safer for all modes of transportation and seeks to encourage more bicycle, e-bicycle, pedestrian and transit use of the corridor, thereby reducing greenhouse gas emissions. By allowing the road to support more modes of transportation, it also increases transportation security by allowing back-up ways of using the corridor, contributing to community resiliency. Additionally, many of the ideas to consider in the plan include removing asphalt and replacing it with green infrastructure, which could also help reduce stormwater impacts during more extreme weather events.

Finally, the Niskayuna Tree Council and Niskayuna Complete Streets Committee often collaborate on the idea of increasing street trees to help offset greenhouse gas emissions, calm traffic, and provide shade / cooling to all users but most specifically pedestrians, during the heat of the summer. Many climate resiliency plans also focus on ways to protect people and infrastructure from more extreme heat events. A Complete Streets traffic study on Route 7 hits all the high notes and will tie traffic calming to safety to climate resiliency to quality neighborhoods.

Part 3: Proposed Project Budget

Match Requirements

Please refer to 2024-25 UPWP Solicitation Guidelines for additional details on the match requirement.

Project Types	Cost Estimate & Match Requirements
Technical Assistance Program	Up to \$25,000

	An in-kind match contribution of not less than 10% of the actual project cost is required.
Community Planning/Linkage Program	\$20,000 - \$150,000
	A cash or in-kind match contribution of not less than 10% of the actual project cost is required.

In-Kind Match is a non-cash contribution of value provided by the municipality, organizations, or individuals participating in the project. In-kind match is typically the calculated value of personnel, goods, and services, including direct and indirect costs. The In-Kind Rate for volunteer time must be counted at the following standardized current rate for New York State https://www.independentsector.org/volunteer_time, unless a justifiable professional rate applies.

Cash Match is a cash contribution that can come from municipal funds (general revenue), cash donations, third parties (i.e. partner organizations) or from non-federal grants.

Total Federal Funds Requested (Transportation Council staff time or consultant): **\$139,500.00**

Value of In-Kind Match: **\$14,500.00**

Total Cash Match: **\$0.00**

Total Project Value (Federal Funds + Match): **\$154,000.00**

Briefly describe how in-kind match is being provided:

The Complete Streets Committee, at least 5 of the 9 members, would be expected to work on the linkage study an average of 4 hours a month (including helping with public outreach, reviewing concepts and working with CRTC and consultant). For a 12 month timeframe, this equates to approximate \$7,500 of in kind volunteer hours. The Town of Niskayuna would additionally assign regular work on the linkage study to 3 of its full time staff members, including Laura Robertson, Clark Henry and Trish Bergami. For a 12 month timeframe (120 hrs), this would equate to a minimum of \$7,000 in kind. The Town of Niskayuna will also utilize some Police Department hours as they are involved in the corridor. The total match is therefore \$14,500 at a minimum.

Please upload letter(s) that include a commitment to the local match requirement signed by the lead elected official or chief executive of municipality, non-profit, or other organization providing match (.pdf format). **UPLOADED**

Part 4: Project Proposal

Please list any previously completed Transportation Council Plan the proposed project implements. New Visions 2050 does not apply. Completed Transportation Council plans can be found at: <https://www.cdtcmpo.org/transportation-plans/cdtc-planning-documents>.

There is not any Schenectady County level or Town of Niskayuna level Transportation Council Plan listed on the website. At least in the recent past, the Town of Niskayuna has not participated in a Linkage study with CRTC and would very much look forward to doing so.

If the proposed project is related to other previously completed planning initiatives or leveraging completed or ongoing planning projects, please list them (i.e. Comprehensive Plan, DRI, NY Forward, etc.).

One of the main goals in Niskayuna's 2013 Comprehensive Plan is to ensure that Niskayuna's current transportation system which includes streets, roads, sidewalks, and multiuse path facilities is safe and provides convenient circulation around the Town, and that future additions and improvements to the transportation system should provide a balance of connectivity options that reflect the increasing importance of pedestrian and bike transportation modes. This proposal will emphasize the safety of the Route 7 corridor and the Complete Streets elements will reflect the importance of bike/ped transportation. Additionally, the Comp Plan has implementation tasks to meet Objective #2 of the Land Use Goals for the Troy Schenectady Road Corridor, which states, "the Town should take action to sustain the essentially residential character of the Troy-Schenectady Road corridor." These tasks include "b. Work with New York State to promote pedestrian safety along Troy-Schenectady Road. Work towards the goals of including a multiuse path the entire length and adding pedestrian crossing where applicable (p99)" and "c. Work with New York State to beautify Troy-Schenectady Road (p99)."

The Town of Niskayuna also participated in a CRTC Complete Streets workshop in both 2016 and 2018, and in 2018, as part of its moderated discussion, proposed pedestrian refuge islands on Route 7, with examples, as a Complete Streets treatment to the corridor.

On July 11, 2023, the Town of Niskayuna and Complete Streets Committee identified 3 top priorities to work with NYSDOT on for implementing Complete Streets initiatives. Safety measures for Route 7 was the number one priority for the Town and a crosswalk on Route 7 and Hickory Road was number 3.

New York State's DRI and NY Forward initiatives overarching goals are to revitalize downtowns and reinvigorate local and regional economies by creating a critical mass of vibrant downtown destinations in each region. While Route 7 is not considered a downtown, it is a large portion of Niskayuna that is currently a dangerous sea of asphalt dividing neighborhoods, depressing property values, increasing transportation insecurity and failing to accommodate basic pedestrian and bicycle needs. Retrofitting it will reinvigorate the corridor and boost the unique character of Niskayuna, helping to attract and maintain businesses in eastern Schenectady County.

List the tasks that need to be completed as part of the proposed project and describe the deliverables you expect.

Task 1: Existing conditions assessment

Task 2: Work with Niskayuna Complete Streets Committee on basic Complete Street concepts / treatments that could work for Route 7, identify biggest problem areas for all modes of transportation, identify possible areas for gateway/place-making / Complete Streets treatments.

Task 3: Gather government stakeholders – run some preliminary concepts past NYSDOT / CRTA / CDTA / Schenectady County / Niskayuna Highway Department to build consensus on ideas with each involved entity.

Task 4: Design workshops – launch campaign of public outreach according to the Transportation Council's Public Participation Plan and collect input / gauge interest / build support for various complete streets treatments in Route 7 neighborhoods. Surveys, workshops in the neighborhood and open houses are all great ways to engage the public. Incorporate public comments and concerns into review of concepts and plan document.

Task 5: Build more detailed designs for unique sections of Route 7 and at specific intersections, decide on Complete Streets treatments that could work for normal areas within corridor as a standard treatment.

Task 6: Include very basic cost estimate ranges for proposed treatments.

Task 7: Create final report with summary of planning, public input, design, and final concepts to use in grant application for construction funding.

Is there other information the Transportation Council should be aware of related to the proposed project not already mentioned?

The Town Supervisor, Chief of Police and Town Planner have been meeting regularly with NYSDOT on the issues the Town is having with the Route 7 corridor and have established contacts and a working relationship with DOT Region 1 on these projects. The Niskayuna Police Department and NYSDOT have been sharing a variety of volume and speed data they each collected and collaborating on improved and more efficient safety and speed enforcement. However, both NYSDOT and the Niskayuna Police Department feel that enforcement is only part of the solution and that corridor wide treatments that naturally slow cars down and allow multi-modal users to access (and cross) Route 7 is the only long-term solution for the corridor.

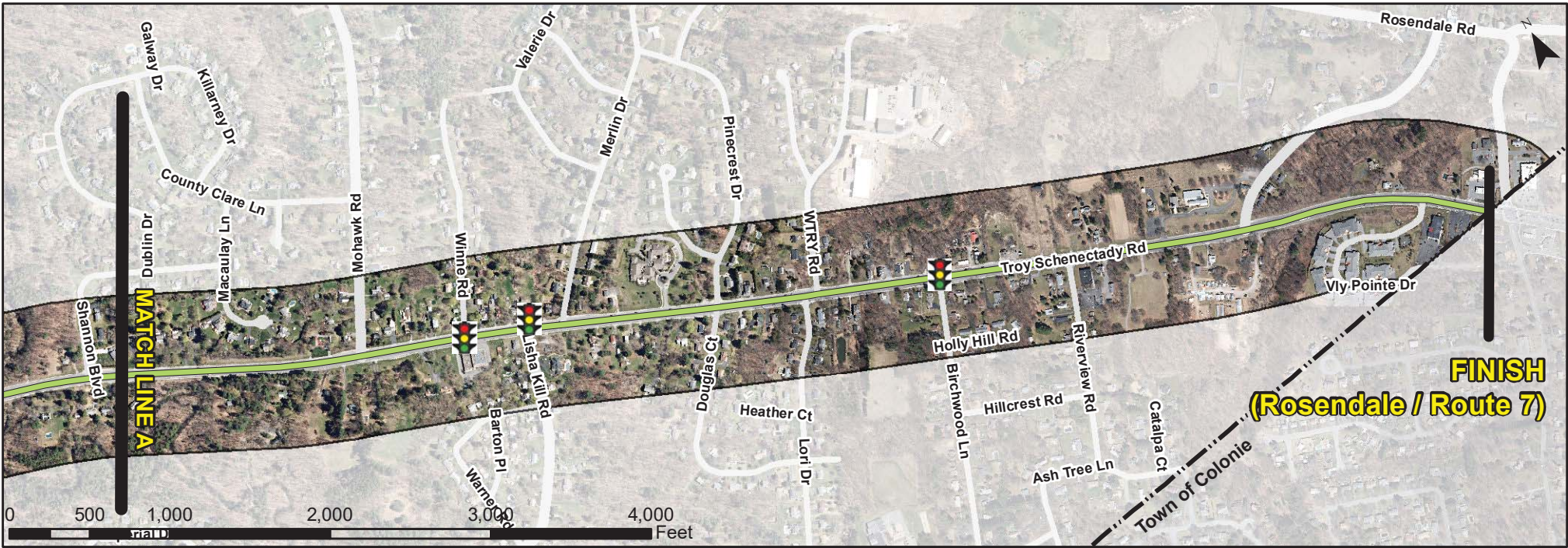
The Town of Niskayuna is working with NYSDOT and Barton & Loguidice on a TAP submittal for corridor/pedestrian safety improvements between Algonquin and Vrooman Ave. If awarded, any information / concepts / designs that come from that project can be incorporated into the linkage study and vice versa.

On the Environmental Justice Viewer map, the Route 7 corridor in the adjacent communities of both Colonie and the City of Schenectady is within an Environmental Justice tract. The Town selected that the project was not adjacent to an EJ area in the Jot Form because the piece in

Colonie that is adjacent to the project is so small – but there may be some overarching environmental justice issues on the corridor in a broader community sense based on the EJ mapping in adjacent municipalities.

A resolution passed unanimously by the Town Board that supports this linkage study application, which has full, bipartisan commitment to the project, has been uploaded with the support letters.

Complete Streets Study: NYS Route 7 Niskayuna





Department of Transportation

KATHY HOCHUL
Governor

MARIE THERESE DOMINGUEZ
Commissioner

MICHAEL G. ARTHUR, P.E.
Regional Director

November 24, 2023

Ms. Laura Robertson, Town Planner
Town of Niskayuna Planning Department
One Niskayuna Circle
Niskayuna, NY 12309

**RE: Town of Niskayuna's "Complete Streets" Study Proposal for NYS Route 7 under the
Capital Region Transportation Council's "Linkage Study" Program**

Greetings Laura:

I am writing regarding the Town of Niskayuna's proposed Complete Streets Study for NYS Route 7. The New York State Department of Transportation (NYSDOT) encourages local municipalities to evaluate state highways as part of their comprehensive planning efforts and implement identified improvements. Your proposed study of the subject corridor advances these fundamental goals of providing a safe, efficient, balanced, and inclusive transportation network. These types of investments are consistent with NYSDOT goals and FHWA performance metrics.

As the owner of this highway Right of Way (ROW), NYSDOT acknowledges permission for the Town of Niskayuna to submit a "Linkage Study" funding application for the project as described. Should the project be awarded funding in response to the solicitation, the NYSDOT Regional Office will work with the Town through the study's development and provide technical support as appropriate.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 518-457-7376 or via email at robert.rice@dot.ny.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Robert Rice", written over a white background.

Robert Rice, PE
NYSDOT Region One
Regional Planning & Program Manager



Jaime Puccioni, PhD
Town Supervisor

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Jessica Brennan
Deputy Town Supervisor

November 29, 2023

Ms. Sandy Misiewicz, AICP, Director
Capital Region Transportation Council
1 Park Place, Suite 101
Albany, NY 12205-2675

Re: Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) Linkage Study Application – Niskayuna, NY

Dear Ms. Misiewicz,

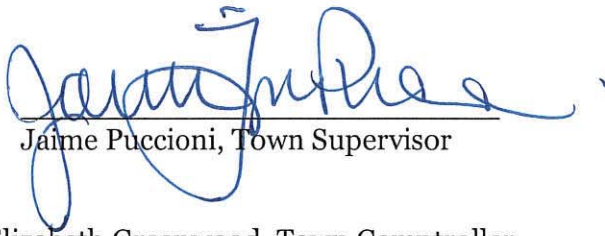
In 2016, with the help of the Capital Region Transportation Council's Complete Street workshops, the Town of Niskayuna appointed a Complete Streets Committee and adopted a Complete Streets Policy to enable safe and convenient access to our streets for all users and support and invite safe, active and ample space for pedestrians, bicycle and public transportation. This in turn promotes healthy living, cost savings, reduces traffic congestion and helps lower greenhouse gas emissions, improving the general quality of life to New York residents.

The Town of Niskayuna has prioritized Complete Streets treatments to Route 7 for both vehicular traffic calming reasons (the Town has responded to six traffic fatalities on Route 7 in the last three years) and to facilitate bicycle-pedestrian connections between neighborhoods and especially to our multi-use path connection from Flower Hill to the Mohawk Hudson Bike Hike / Empire State trail. Although Route 7 in Niskayuna is over 95% residential, with single family homes and neighborhood streets packed along the north and south sides of the road, there are no crosswalks for well over a mile long stretch between Pearse Rd and St. Davids Lane, and no crosswalks for almost a mile between Pearse Road and Lisha Kill Road. In the opinion of the Complete Streets Committee – the configuration of this road does not currently accommodate all modes of users and the Committee is dedicated to working on corridor-wide solutions to make the road safer for everyone.

Accordingly, as the Town Supervisor for the Town of Niskayuna and with bipartisan, unanimous support from the Town Board (see attached resolution), I am pledging both Planning Department and Police Department hours to form a portion of the 10% in-kind/cash match required for a successful linkage study. The Town Comptroller has calculated the hourly rates for Laura Robertson, Clark Henry and Trish Bergami and we will be able to contribute, at a minimum, \$7,000.00 of in-kind staff hours (120 hr min) to the project. This does not include the Police Department hours, which will also be used to a lesser extent because of their involvement in and commitment to the Route 7 corridor.

Please contact us if you have any additional questions or concerns, thank you.

Sincerely,



Jaime Puccioni, Town Supervisor

CC. Elizabeth Greenwood, Town Comptroller
Laura Robertson, Town Planner
Town of Niskayuna Complete Streets Committee



Resolution No. 2023 – 281

AT THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF NISKAYUNA DULY CALLED AND HELD ON THE 16th DAY OF NNOVEMBER, 2023, AT 7:00 PM, HELD AT THE EDWIN D. REILLY, JR. NISKAYUNA TOWN HALL BOARD ROOM, THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS WERE PRESENT:

HONORABLE:	JASON MOSKOWITZ	COUNCILMEMBER
	JOHN DELLA RATTA	COUNCILMEMBER Arrived 7:01
	WILLIAM MCPARTLON	COUNCILMEMBER
	JESSICA BRENNAN	COUNCILMEMBER
	JAIME LYNN PUCCIONI	SUPERVISOR

The meeting was duly called to order by the Supervisor.

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUBMITTAL OF A LINKAGE STUDY APPLICATION FOR COMPLETE STREETS TREATMENTS TO ROUTE 7 UNDER THE CAPITAL REGION TRANSPORTATION COUNCIL'S UNIFIED PLANNING WORK PROGRAM

The following resolution was offered by **Councilmember Della Ratta**, who moved its adoption, and seconded by **Councilmember McPartlon**

BE IT ENACTED, by the Town Board of the Town of Niskayuna, as follows:

WHEREAS, the Town Supervisor, Chief of Police and Town Planner have identified a need for a Complete Streets linkage study on the Route 7 corridor to find traffic calming treatments and accommodations for multiple users on the New York State owned corridor; and

WHEREAS, the Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) through the Capital Region Transportation Council (CRTC) makes available federal transportation planning funds for transportation planning activities in the Capital Region, including funds for the Community Planning / Linkage Program; and

WHEREAS, the Linkage program is a grant that requires a minimum of 10% matching funds, in-kind or cash match, from the municipality/sponsor for the project; and

WHEREAS, the Town Supervisor, Chief of Police and Town Planner recommend applying for the grant, in an amount not to exceed \$150,000.00, for a corridor study of Complete

Streets treatments to Route 7 that could explore options to help calm traffic, assist multiple users of the corridor, and improve safety on the corridor; and

WHEREAS, the Economic Development, Historic Preservation and Environmental Conservation Committee recommends that an application be made for participation in the grant program.

NOW THEREFORE, be it

RESOLVED, that this Town Board does hereby authorize the Supervisor and/or her designee to execute and submit a linkage study grant application for complete streets treatments to Route 7 under the Capital Region Transportation Council's Unified Planning Work Program grant application, with a 10% in-kind/cash match dedicated by the Town of Niskayuna.

UPON ROLL CALL THE FOREGOING RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

COUNCILMEMBER MOSKOWITZ	VOTING	AYE
COUNCILMEMBER DELLA RATTA	VOTING	AYE
COUNCILMEMBER MCPARTLON	VOTING	AYE
COUNCILMEMBER BRENNAN	VOTING	AYE
SUPERVISOR PUCCIONI	VOTING	AYE



William Chapman
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Laura Robertson
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November 29, 2023

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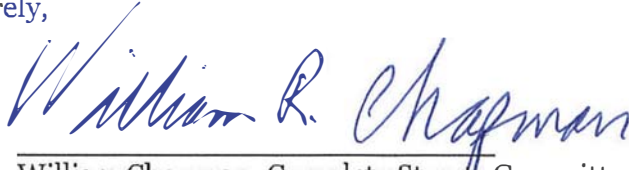
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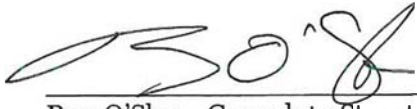
Accordingly, as Co-Chairmen of the Complete Streets Committee, we are pledging both our own and the Committee's volunteer hours to form a portion of the 10% in-kind/cash match required for a successful linkage study. We understand the value of our volunteer hours will be calculated by the independent sector national value of each volunteer hour (currently \$31.80) and estimate based on 5 Complete Streets members spending an average of 4 hours a month reviewing, assisting and helping with public outreach for the study for a year, that we will be able to contribute, at a minimum, \$7,500.00 of in-kind value to the project.

Please contact us if you have any additional questions or concerns, thank you.

Sincerely,

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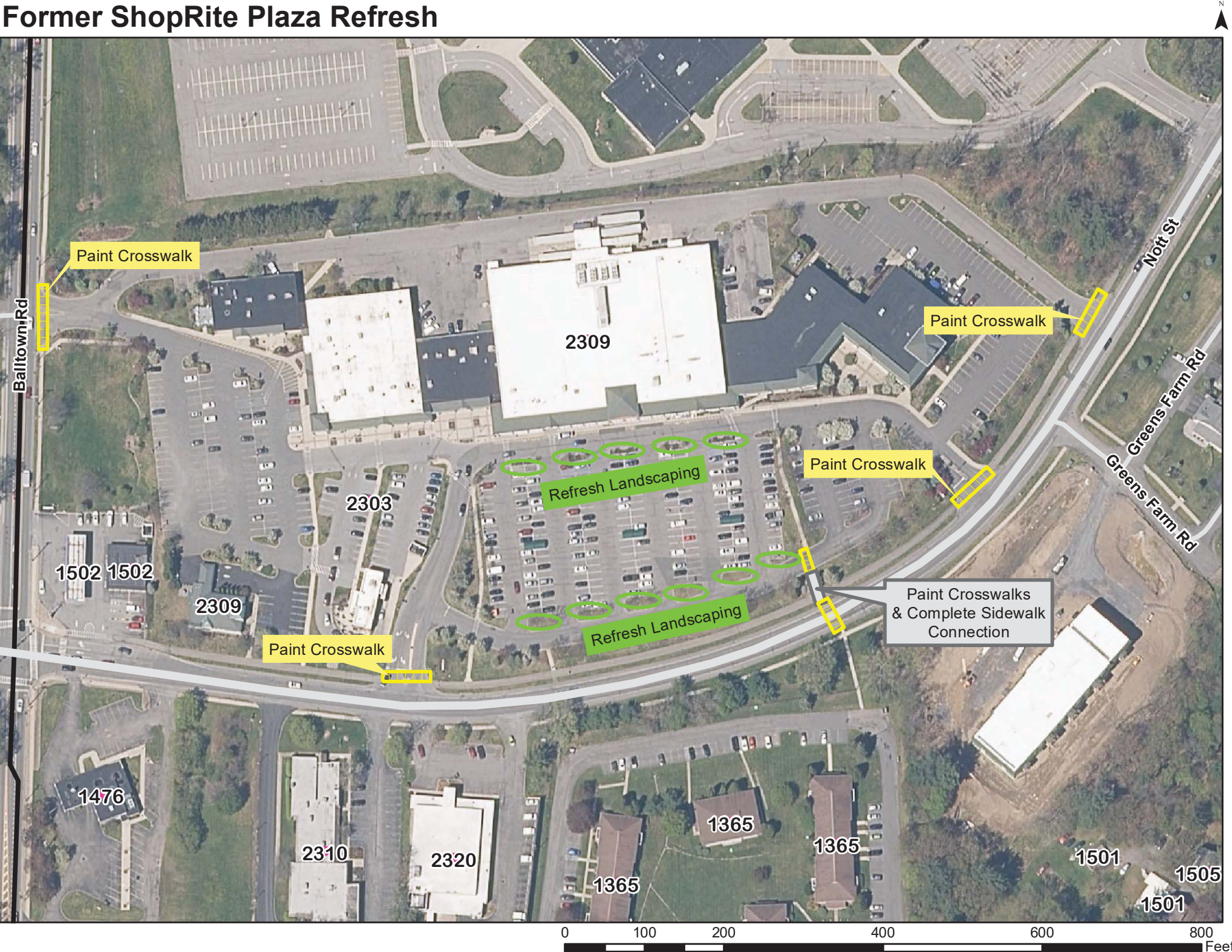
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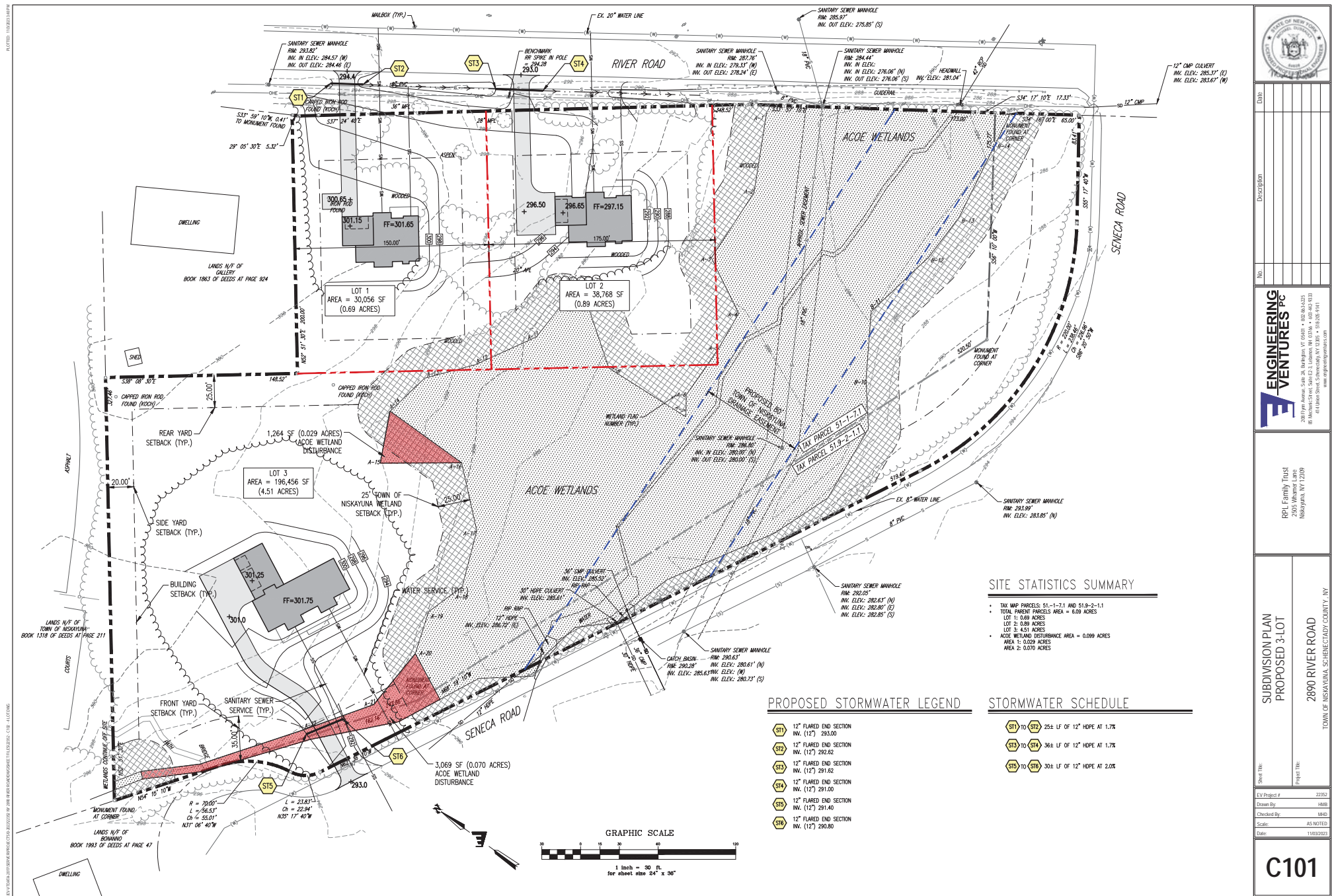
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Ben O'Shea, Complete Streets Committee Co-Chairman

CC. Laura Robertson, Town Planner
Town of Niskayuna Complete Streets Committee

Former ShopRite Plaza Refresh





SITE STATISTICS SUMMARY


- TAX MAP PARCELS: 51-1-7.1 AND 51-9-2-1.1
- TOTAL PARENT PARCELS AREA = 6.09 ACRES
 - LOT 1: 0.69 ACRES
 - LOT 2: 0.89 ACRES
 - LOT 3: 4.51 ACRES
- ACOE WETLAND DISTURBANCE AREA = 0.099 ACRES
 - AREA 1: 0.029 ACRES
 - AREA 2: 0.070 ACRES

PROPOSED STORMWATER LEGEND


- ST1 12" FLARED END SECTION INV. (12") 293.00
- ST2 12" FLARED END SECTION INV. (12") 292.62
- ST3 12" FLARED END SECTION INV. (12") 291.62
- ST4 12" FLARED END SECTION INV. (12") 291.00
- ST5 12" FLARED END SECTION INV. (12") 291.40
- ST6 12" FLARED END SECTION INV. (12") 290.80

STORMWATER SCHEDULE

- ST1 TO ST2 25.0 LF OF 12" HOPE AT 1.7%
- ST3 TO ST4 36.0 LF OF 12" HOPE AT 1.7%
- ST5 TO ST6 30.0 LF OF 12" HOPE AT 2.0%



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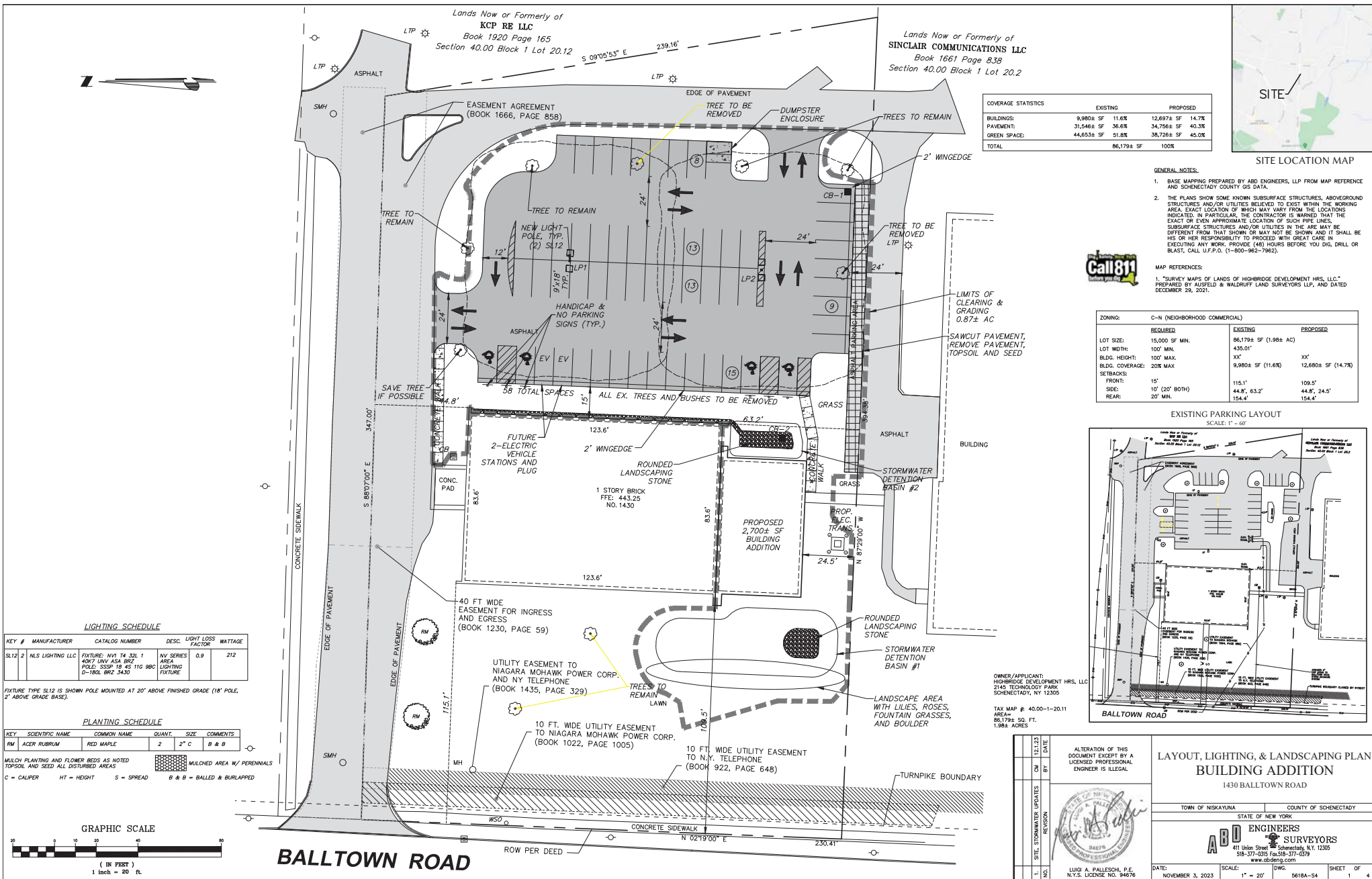
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





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 Planning	 Zoning	 CAC	 Early Voting	 No meetings
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Town of Niskayuna

Complete Streets Committee

2024 Meeting Schedule

January	30	
March	27	
March	26	
April	30	
May	28	
June	25	
July	30	
August	27	
September	24	
October	29	
December	10*	*2nd Tuesday