

SUFFOLK COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION

Date: April 4, 2001

Place: Arthur H. Kunz Memorial Library, 4th Floor, H. Lee Dennison Bldg., Hauppauge,
New York

Present: Donald Eversoll, Chairman (At Large)
Robert Martin (Smithtown), Vice Chairman
Edward Rosavitch (Brookhaven)
Thomas Thorsen (East Hampton)
Linda Petersen (At Large)
Richard O?Dea (Riverhead)
Laure Nolan (Village 5,000 & Over)
William Cremers (Southold)
Michael Macco (Huntington)
Ronald Parr (At Large)
David Casciotti (Southampton)
George J. Dickerson (Shelter Island)
Richard London, (Village 5,000 & Under)
Basia Braddish, Esq., Counsel
Thomas A. Isles, Director
Gerald Newman, Chief Planner
Andy Freleng, Principal Planner
Kathleen Rigano, Principal Stenographer
Claire Chorny, Sr. Clerk Typist

Absent: Louis Dietz (Babylon), Secretary
Frank Tantone (Islip)
Harold Withers, Deputy Director

Guests: Lori Talmage, Office of the County Executive
Betty Gallagher, Office of the County Executive
George Proios, Chief, Environmental Analyst

The meeting of the Suffolk County Planning Commission was called to order by Chairman Eversoll at 12:05 P.M. in the Suffolk County Arthur H. Kunz Memorial Library.

Minutes:

On a motion by Commissioner Rosavitch, seconded by Commissioner Petersen, the minutes of the March 7, 2001, Planning Commission meeting were unanimously approved.

Director's Report:

a. Mr. Isles introduced Roy Fedelem, Principal Planner in the Planning Department, who distributed a packet containing an overview of Suffolk County census statistics, some of which are not final statistics. In addressing the Commission, Mr. Fedelem stated that:

1. Suffolk County ranks 22 of 3,142 counties in the United States in terms of population..
2. Overall, the population of Suffolk County grew 7.4% from 1990-2000.
3. The population of Hispanics in Suffolk County grew 70%.
4. The South Fork population tripled in the number of Hispanics. There are indications that the Black and Hispanic population are increasing.
5. The population under age 18 increased 13.3% from 1990-2000 leading many school districts to undertake building programs.
6. Information on age, family relationship, etc., will be available early this summer.
7. Some housing information and information on age and household relationships will be available this summer.
8. Information on income, etc., will be available in approximately 1 year.

b. The Planning Department is beginning on a one year project as subcontractor conducting parcel-specific inventories of existing land use and land available for development within the watersheds of the Huntington-Northport Harbor complex, the Nissequogue River, Stony Brook Harbor, Port Jefferson Harbor and Mt. Sinai Harbor. These inventories will be used with 2000 census data to prepare an analysis of current and projected population within each watershed. Geographic Information System (GIS) data bases and map outputs will be prepared similar to that work done for the Peconic Estuary Program. The project is entitled "Analysis of Existing Land Use, Land Available for Development and Population for the Long Island Sound."

c. The Feasibility Study submitted by the NYS DOT for Pilgrim State Hospital with respect to a freight transfer facility is being reviewed by Suffolk County. The study indicates an increase of rail freight use by 4-5% if such a facility were constructed.

Commissioners' Roundtable:

Commissioner Thorsen informed the members of the Commission that former Commissioner Gil Sheppard passed on several days ago.

Commissioner Casciotti stated that a Public Hearing on the Generic Environmental Impact Statement on the farmland conservation subdivision process was held. It has come to the County for review. The firm of Allee, King, Rosen and Fleming has been hired to do a critical wildlands and groundwater protection study.

Commissioner Petersen stated that Brookhaven is trying to decide who its new leader will be. It is expected that a decision will be made by April 9, 2001.

Commissioner Martin discussed the Power Plant and stated that the Smithtown Town Board has no say and stands neutral. The Board is only told what is proposed.

Pursuant to the requirements of Section A14-24 of the Suffolk County Administrative Code of the Suffolk County Charter, the proposed subdivision plats and zoning actions are duly considered and acted upon as appended hereto:

<u>Resolution Number</u>	<u>File Number</u>
ZSR-01-21	S-SH-01-04
ZSR-01-22	S-RH-01-01
ZSR-01-23	S-RH-01-02
ZSR-01-24	RH-01-03

S-1 - Franklin D. Butz (S-SH-01-04)

Motion: Approved, per Staff Report, by Commissioner Rosavitch, seconded by Commissioner Macco.

Vote: 13 Ayes - 0 Nays - 0 Abstentions

S-2 - Kathy Fink Gentile (S-RH-01-01)

Motion: Disapproved, per the Staff Report, by Commissioner Macco, seconded by Commissioner Dickerson.

Vote: 12 Ayes - 0 Nays - 1 Abstention (Commissioner O'Dea)

S-3 - Sound Meadow (S-RH-01-02)

Motion: Approved, per the Staff Report, by Commissioner Rosavitch, seconded by Commissioner Petersen.

Vote: 12 Ayes - 0 Nays - 1 Abstention (Commissioner O'Dea)

Z-1 - 420A Realty Corp./Paul & Carol Sargent (RH-01-03)

Motion: Disapproved, per the Staff Report, by Commissioner Macco, seconded by Commissioner Thorsen.

Vote: 13 Ayes - 0 Nays - 0 Abstentions

There being no further business, a motion was made by Commissioner London to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Petersen. The regular meeting of the Suffolk County Planning Commission was adjourned at 1:15 PM.