

SUFFOLK COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION

Date: July 11, 2001

Place: Riverhead Town Hall Board Room, Riverhead, New York

Present: Donald Eversoll, Chairman (At Large)
Robert Martin (Smithtown), Vice Chairman
Louis Dietz (Babylon), Secretary
Edward Rosavitch (Brookhaven)
Thomas Thorsen (East Hampton)
Linda Petersen (At Large)
Richard O?Dea (Riverhead)
Laure Nolan (Village 5,000 & Over)
Frank Tantone (Islip)
William Cremers (Southold)
David Casciotti (Southampton)
Richard London, (Village 5,000 & Under)
Basia Braddish, Esq., Counsel
Thomas A. Isles, Director
Harold Withers, Deputy Director
Gerald Newman, Chief Planner
Andy Freleng, Principal Planner
Kathleen Rigano, Principal Stenographer
Claire Chorney, Sr. Clerk Typist

Absent: Ronald Parr (At Large)
Michael Macco (Huntington)
George Dickerson (Shelter Island)

Guests: George Proios, Chief Environmental Analyst
James Bagg, Chief Environmental Analyst
Carol Walsh, Principal Research Analyst
Ron Verbog, Principal Planner
Peter Lambert, Senior Planner
Ted Klein, Senior Planner
Brad Cantor, Research Technician

Roy Fedelem, Principal Planner
Robert Kozaklewicz, Supervisor, Town of Riverhead

The meeting of the Suffolk County Planning Commission was called to order by Chairman Eversoll at 1:10 P.M. in the Riverhead Town Hall Board Room, Riverhead, New York.

Chairman, Donald Eversoll, presented former Commissioner Mardooni Vahradian, with a Citation thanking him for 17 years of service as a member of the Suffolk County Planning Commission.

Minutes:

On a motion by Commissioner London, seconded by Commissioner Thorsen, the minutes of the June 6, 2001, Planning Commission meeting were approved with the following correction. Commissioner Thorsen's statement in the Commissioners' Roundtable on page 4 should be changed to read: ".....The program was discontinued last fall, but will resume this year because of the shortage of parking spaces and may be extended into the off season. A shuttle bus is also available from a parking field which is located outside the downtown district."

Visit to Calverton

Chairman Eversoll took this time to thank Andrea Lohneiss, Director of the Community Development Agency in Riverhead Town, for her hospitality and very informative presentation during the tour of the Calverton site.

Director's Report:

Thomas Isles, Director of Planning, briefed the Commission on the following:

1. Mr. Isles took this time to thank Commissioner O'Dea and the staff of Riverhead Town for their cooperation in arranging for the tour of the Calverton site and the reservation of the Board Room for the meeting.
2. The August 2001 Planning Committee meeting is scheduled to take place on Shelter Island at the Pridwin Hotel with the assistance of Commissioner George Dickerson. The notice for the next meeting will contain information regarding the ferry and the Hotel where lunch will be available.
3. A presentation will be made at the August 1, 2001, meeting on the SEEDS (State of the East End Development Study).
4. The Suffolk County Legislature has passed a resolution requiring the Planning Commission to complete verbatim minutes of Planning Commission meetings. The resolution was the

subject of a County Executive's Public Hearing held on Monday, July 9, 2001. Mr. Isles stated he was present at the hearing and expressed his concern for the Legislation in terms of its impact to the Department. Specifically, the Planning Department's budget is not funded for this work. He pointed out that the Commission meetings are open to the public under the Open Meetings Law and minutes are completed in accordance with Roberts' Rules of Law. Those minutes are available in the Department as well as on the website of the Suffolk County Planning Commission. Therefore, it is an open process for any public participation. The County Executive has until July 27, 2001, to make a decision to either sign the bill or veto it.

5. The Suffolk County Legislature has submitted a resolution to reconstitute the composition of the Planning Commission which will reduce the size of the Commission from 15 members to 11. It is presently on its way to Committee and it is expected that we will be hearing more about that issue sometime in August. At the request of the Commission, copies of the bill have been sent to Suffolk County Supervisors Association and the County Executive's Office has asked that the bill be sent to Planning Directors so that towns and villages will have the opportunity to provide input as they may see fit.

Chairman Eversoll expressed the importance for Commissioners to contact their respective Supervisors to discuss the home rule issues that are involved by reconstituting the Commission pursuant to a formula as opposed to representations from the towns and villages. Mr. Isles stated that there are currently 10 town representatives. Under the reconstitution, the Commission will be reduced to two town representatives.

Commissioners' Roundtable:

Commissioner Petersen stated that the Town of Brookhaven is having an Energy Summit on Thursday, July 12, 2001, in the auditorium from 8:30 AM to 4:00 PM.

Commissioner Rosavitch questioned a construction project along the Long Island Expressway. George Proios said the project was a gas line installation for KeySpan. Commissioner Rosavitch stated that he had the opportunity to attend the Farrell Fritz Seminar on Smart Growth at the Huntington Hilton. A presentation was made by Stephen Jones, former Director of Planning.

Commissioner London stated that spraying for the West Nile Virus is taking place on Long Island. Residents have an option to not have their properties sprayed.

Commissioners Cremers stated that the Town of Southold was in the New York Times on this day. The Times reported that a 40 ft. sculpture was being removed from the beach area. The owner never applied for a building permit and the court ruled that it had to be removed. There were some objections from the neighbors as well.

Commissioner Casciotti reported that the Transportation Advisory Task Force is meeting to discuss various transportation problems in Southampton. Cliff Bragdon of the Southampton Town Transportation Advisory Task Force and Yossi Kaner, Cartographer, have prepared 3-D simulation graphics of the traffic conditions in Southampton. They have used Sunrise Highway as a base case in the area where it filters down to one lane. These graphics are available for viewing or presentation at a future Commission meeting.

Commissioner Thorsen stated that he served as a Citizen Advisory Committee member for the Village of East Hampton's Comprehensive Plan. The Plan is to be presented to the public in the Fire Station in East Hampton. It should come before the Commission in the near future. East Hampton is facing traffic problems as well.

Commissioner Nolan stated that Northport is busy with its usual summer traffic. Huntington is considering where to put a dog park and where to put a skate park. Residents have objected to the areas being considered.

Commissioner Tantone stated it has become apparent that the Town of Islip is inundated with 55-and-over complexes again which is causing the Planning staff to take a look at the housing situation and take an accurate count. Recently there was a transfer station issue in Brentwood which was denied.

Commissioner Dietz stated that there will be a 55-and-over Village Board meeting in Lindenhurst to approve the Narragansett project on Tuesday, July 17, 2001.

Chairman Eversoll stated that he attended the Smart Growth conference at the Huntington Hilton.

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>
SR-01-39	S-EH-85-02.1
SR-01-40	S-SD-85-18.1
SR-01-41	S-HU-01-01
SR-01-42	BR-01-55
SR-01-43	BR-01-56
SR-01-44	IS-01-9

S-1 - Cherry Point (S-EH-85-02.1)

Motion: Commissioner Thorsen moved to accept the factual information in the Staff Report , but disagreed with staff recommendation to disapprove the project. He approved the project with conditions. Commissioner Petersen seconded his motion.

Vote: 12 Ayes - 0 Nays - 0 Abstentions

S-2 - Harbs, Edward III & Monica - (S-SD-85-18.1)

Motion: Disapproved, per the Staff Report, by Commissioner Dietz, seconded by Commissioner Rosavitch.

Vote: 11 Ayes - 0 Nays - 1 Abstention (Commissioner Cremers)

S-3 - Edwards Estates (S-HU-01-01)

Motion: Disapproved, per the Staff Report, by Commissioner Martin, seconded by Commissioner O'Dea.

Vote: 12 Ayes - 0 Nays - 0 Abstentions

Z-1 - KFC of American, Inc. & Frederick & Mary Ann Gareau (BR-01-55)

Motion: Disapproved, per the Staff Report, by Commissioner Rosavitch, seconded by Commissioner London

Vote: 12 Ayes - 0 Nays - 0 Abstentions

Z-2 - Emanon Corporation (BR-01-56)

Motion: Disapproved, per the Staff Report, by Commissioner Rosavitch, seconded by Commissioner Tantone

Vote: 12 Ayes - 0 Nays - 0 Abstentions

Z-3 - V. Garofolo & Sons Carting, Inc. (IS-01-9)

Motion: Disapproved, per the Staff Report, by Commissioner O'Dea, seconded by Commissioner Rosavitch

Vote: 11 Ayes - 0 Nays - 1 Abstention - (Commissioner Tantone)

There being no further business, the regular meeting of the Suffolk County Planning Commission was adjourned at 2:30 PM.