

YORK TOWN BOARD MEETING  
January 7th, 2025  
7:00 p.m.

Present: Supervisor Gerald L. Deming, Councilmembers: Frank Rose Jr., Jason Swede, Amos Smith and John Morgan

Absent: None

Others: George Worden (High Supt), Dwight Kanyuck (Town Attorney) Dustin Geiger, Francis Burger, Carl Peter (Zoning/Code Officer) Walter Pond and Kirk Richenberg.

Supervisor Deming opened the Town Board meeting at 7:00 p.m. and invited Councilman Morgan to lead in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**MINUTES:**

RESOLUTION offered by Mr. Swede and seconded by Mr. Smith to approve the minutes of the January 1, 2025, Organizational Meeting. Voted on and approved, Yes-5, No-0.

**BILLS:**

RESOLUTION offered by Mr. Smith and seconded by Mr. Morgan to approve all claims brought before the Board. Voted on and approved, Yes-5, No-0.

• General Fund Claim	# 1-25	\$24,520.94
• Consolidated Water/Sewer	# 1-20	\$53,475.72
• Highway Fund	# 1-9	\$ 3,016.75

**PRIVILEGES OF THE FLOOR:**

1)Kirk Richenberg:

Mr. Richenberg requested privileges this evening to discuss with the Board the following topics: Highway and AKZO money usage.

Q- At the end of the year meeting you spoke about AKZO settlement money, can you elaborate further?

Supervisor Deming replied that he requested \$4 million dollars from the committee for the Town of York. The NYS DEC and Attorney General's office has already approved \$3.5 million, based on our already existing projects (pump station and River Road water main). These projects were initially listed on the County Plan when we started, and all bills will be submitted to the County for payment.

Q- Didn't the Livingston County W/S Authority receive for the \$14.5 million dollar project, a grant...and where did it come from?

Supervisor Deming answered they did receive a matching grant, and believes it was a WIIA (Water Infrastructure Improvement Program) grant.

Councilman Smith commented, AKZO funds are covering the original project cost. We now have full control over our project, we submit bills to the County as they have the funds to pay the claims.

Q- You have pulled away from the County W/S project, what does that look like?

Supervisor Deming replied he is not sure at this time, but knows we will have \$4M to use in the Town of York

Q- How did you come to the \$4M figure?

Supervisor Deming answered the figure was based upon what we have roughly spent on waterlines since the AKZO collapse.

Q- What is our relationship with Geneseo?

Supervisor Deming responded, we have a good relationship with Geneseo, no issues.

Q- When we still are purchasing water from the Village of Geneseo, how will that play out since they will be part of the County W/S project and York is not?

Supervisor Deming commented that the Authority states they can sell water cheaper than the Village, which could happen for a period of time, but for how long.

Comment: Mr. Richenberg stated they could change the price of selling water at any time.

Supervisor Deming stated our current contract is with the Village of Genesee and will continue to be with the Village.

Councilman Rose added, no one will ever abandon Conesus Lake.

Comment: We need to have other sources

Q- Is there any connection with CPL?

Supervisor Deming replied we are using the same mapping prepared by CPL, but we are bidding for engineering services.

Comment: This is “good to hear, it’s about time.” We have attempted twice to obtain grant funding for the pump station, and didn’t receive money.

Q- Do we have an invoice for the new Highway truck and is the Town Board still waiting for the truck to be completed before making payment?

Supervisor Deming replied we will be waiting to pay for it until the truck is ready to be picked up. Mr. Worden added, the truck still belongs to Regional International and until all work has been completed, they own it until we are ready to pick it up along with an invoice.

Councilman Swede also stated, Regional is providing a service to us for a complete truck, until it is done, then we will buy it. Highway Supt. Worden added, Regional International hired Tenco, not us. Councilman Swede stated once again our invoice will reflect a completed truck.

Mr. Worden reported that both companies are holding firm on the price submitted.

#### **HIGHWAY REPORT:**

Mr. Worden reported the following for the Highway Department:

- We have ordered salt for the season, and it is getting scarce
- I spoke with Attorney Kanyuck earlier about bidding procedural questions
- I had a resident approach me recently about signage for River Road and Chandler. Vehicles are traveling at very high speeds usually late in the evening and he asked for additional signage and/or blinking lights to be placed. Mr. Worden commented he did not feel signage or lights would help the situation, but police presence periodically might.
- We have been plowing and salting as needed.
- Our new employee (Doug Baker) will start on January 13<sup>th</sup>.

#### **WATER/SEWER REPORT:**

Mr. Worden reported the following for the Water & Sewer Department:

- Mr. Graves and Mr. Grant are attending lab class this week so Jim Hodges has been handling the plant and chores duties himself.
- Thankfully, we are keeping water in the pipes with no issues.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

1)Comp Plan Draft:

Supervisor Deming stated that we conducted the Public Hearing for the Comp Plan draft on December 3, 2024 but kept the comment period open until tonight’s meeting. Ms. Hess indicated in a recent email that she received (1) email comment and Clerk Harris received one in the office yesterday as well. Supervisor Deming commented that he has spoken with each of the Board members and all have agreed to table a decision in order to address some questions with the Comp Plan Committee.

**\*\*email submitted to Ms. Hess directly:**

*Comment 1 of 1: I think it would be helpful to state in the text, and possibly in one of the maps, the number of acres of land in the Town that are under solar panels (not roof-tops) as of 12/31/2020 or 2018(?) vs. the total number of acres of land that will be under solar panels by 12/31/2026 if all currently known proposals are approved and constructed. This will underscore the scope of the change in land use referred to repeatedly in the Plan.*

**\*\* Ms. Hess' notes documented from the comments made at the 12/3/24 Hearing:**

*1. Commenter #1*

*a. Not enough people responded to the survey to get an accurate picture of the Town or have enough data for the plan. Mailings would be more effective.*

*2. Commenter #2*

*a. The Future Land Use map does not show additional areas designated for commercial development and looks very similar to the existing zoning map. York needs appropriate areas for commercial development.*

*3. Commenter #3*

*a. The implementation section of the plan looks very well thought out and it will be good to see how the plan is implemented and what follows.*

*4. Commenter #4*

*a. The process used to put together a steering committee to update the comprehensive plan was not transparent, it was not announced, nor were people invited. People were handpicked. The committee does not represent the Town as there is not enough diversity in terms of income levels, ethnicity, age, or businesses. Handpicking a committee was not supportive of a good planning process.*

*b. While the plan has a lot of data, pictures and interesting things, the previous plan was never followed. Look at how many laws in the code were changed, how many variances. The plan and zoning is not followed.*

*c. Can some of what was identified as smart growth/economic growth, be achieved by a Town like York?*

*d. Is a future trail being shown along an active railroad bed?*

*5. Commenter #5*

*a. Implementation will be key!*

**\*\*Mr. Richenberg's comments submitted:**



January 6, 2025

To: The York Town Board,

I have the following concerns and comments about the process to draft the proposed new 2025 Town Comprehensive Plan and the adoption and content of this plan.

- The process to appoint people to the steering(update) committee was not open to all residents of the town, never publicly advertised and all committee members were chosen by one person.
- The steering(update) committee members were not a true representation of all economic, age, and social class, or skin color, ethnicity and diverse background of the community. The committee was not an accurate reflection of York residents.
- The committee meetings were not always published so therefore the public was not able to view and be present at the committee meetings.
- The two public meetings that were held had very poor attendance and input due to poor advertisement for these meetings.
- There were no community stakeholders meetings to get their ideas and thoughts.
- The Town of York is what it is and can't be changed to something else simply by a New Comp Plan

I also have the following comments. The town adopted a comprehensive plan in 2006, which led to the adoption of new townwide York Zoning Ordinance in 2009. After that there were many new zoning laws adopted by the town to correct mistakes made in the 2009 townwide zoning ordinance as well as new zoning laws adopted to help protect our town and residents that live here. Since that time many changes have happened in

the Town of York. As town board members please honestly ask yourself without the 2006 comp plan would things have been different in this town? With this question still in mind, the Town of York is still primarily a farming community. The land is a valuable asset to ALL land owners. Knowing the number of acres of land in York currently in Farmland Protection forever and number of acres with owners wanting Farmland Protection or farmers not willing to sell land, along with land in solar development, leaves small percentage of land for future development.

The Comprehensive Plan that is on the table to be adopted has a lot of information, maps and many pictures, some from selected committee members properties, a map of a proposed new connecting trail on a live and active railroad property and on some private property owned by one of the steering (update) committee members. Also in the proposed plan is language to update again in a few years. This sounds like wasteful government spending to me, at both the state and local level. Also job security for plan developers in the future.

I think this board needs to consider my concerns and not adopt this new Comprehensive Plan. Instead use the current 2006 Comprehensive, possibly make some small changes and keep in mind it is only a guide not a law.

Also I have enclosed a copy of the NYS Grant application, so you may review the answers to the questions on this application. Which led to the awarding of a grant to the town of York to help fund pay for this New Comprehensive Plan proposal. Are all of the questions answered truthfully and do you want to be part of this process?

Kirk Richenberg



**NYS Consolidated Funding Application # 107861**  
**Organization Name:** Livingston County NY  
**Project Name:** Town of York Comprehensive Plan  
**City:** Town of York **State:** NY

Created:  
July 30, 2021 - 10:34 AM  
Application finalized on:  
July 30, 2021 - 10:33 AM

## Region

Finger Lakes

## Questionnaire Questions & Answers

### Location

#### Smart Growth Comprehensive Planning Grant Program

**Q\_3527** US Congressional District where the project is located. (This question's value will be filled automatically, based on the project address, when the application is finalized.)

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**Q\_928** Project Street Address: Please input the project street address (**Street Number and Street Name only**).

If the project has multiple locations, please input the primary street address of the project. If the project does not have a definite street address, please input the approximate street address of the project (Street Number and Street Name only).

2668 Main Street

**Q\_565** Project City

Town of York

**Q\_972** Project county or counties.

Livingston

**Q\_568** Project State

NY

**Q\_572** Project Latitude (This question's value will be filled automatically, based on the project address, when the application is finalized.)

42.87246131200004

Q\_573 Project Longitude (This question's value will be filled automatically, based on the project address, when the application is finalized.)

-77.88500005799995

Q\_184 NYS Assembly District where the project is located. (This question's value will be filled automatically, based on the project address, when the application is finalized.)

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Q\_190 NY Senate District where the project is located. (This question's value will be filled automatically, based on the project address, when the application is finalized.)

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Q\_1034 Project ZIP Code. (please use ZIP+4 if known)

14592

## Basic

### General Project Information

Q\_549 Type of Applicant (select all that apply)

Town

Q\_550 If you are a DBA, what is your DBA name?

N/A

Q\_556 Select an applicant ID type from the list below that you normally use to identify your organization on application forms.

Duns Number

Q\_2655 Based on your selection from the previous question, enter your applicant ID number. (Please do not provide your social security number).

Q\_969 If you are a business, have you been certified as a New York State Minority or Women-owned Business Enterprise (MWBE)?

N/A



**Applicant**

	<b>Answer</b>
<b>Organization Legal Name</b>	Town of York
<b>Applicant First Name</b>	Gerald
<b>Applicant Last Name</b>	Deming
<b>Street Address</b>	2668 Main Street
<b>City</b>	York
<b>State</b>	NY
<b>Zip Code (use ZIP+4 if known)</b>	14592
<b>Telephone Number (include area code)</b>	585-243-3128
<b>Email Address</b>	yorksupr@rochester.rr.com

**Contacts**

	<b>Primary Contact</b>	<b>Contact Authorized to Execute Contract if Awarded</b>	<b>Additional Contact</b>
<b>Salutation</b>	Ms.	Mr.	Ms.
<b>First Name</b>	Julie	Gerald	Julie
<b>Last Name</b>	Barry	Deming	Barry
<b>Title</b>	Grants & Public Information Coordinator	Supervisor	No Answer
<b>Organization</b>	Livingston County, NY	Town of York	Livingston County, NY
<b>Street Address</b>	6 Court Street	2668 Main Street	No Answer
<b>City</b>	Geneseo	York	No Answer
<b>State</b>	NY	NY	No Answer
<b>ZIP Code</b>	14454	14592	No Answer
<b>Telephone Number</b>	585-243-7051	585-243-3128	No Answer
<b>Email Address</b>	jbarry@co.livingston.ny.us	yorksupr@rochester.rr.com	jbarry@co.livingston.ny.us

Q\_4199 Please select the primary sector or characterization that best defines this project.

Municipal/Government

**Q\_4198** Please select the secondary sector or characterization that best defines this project.

Community Development

### Project Description

**Q\_575** Project Description. Concisely describe the project, indicating the location, what will be planned, designed, acquired, and/or constructed, the issues/opportunities to be addressed, and expected outcomes and deliverables. Additional details will be collected later in the application process.

This project involves the preparation of an up-to-date, long-range Comprehensive Plan for the Town of York. The Town's last update to its Comprehensive Plan was in 2006.

The Town plans to hire a professional consultant to guide the comprehensive planning process through a community-wide effort. The Plan will be a vision of what the Town of York is to be in the future with specific goals, objectives, and recommendations developed along with a timeframe for implementation.

Basic elements to be addressed in the Plan include: land use patterns, demographics, housing conditions, population, infrastructure, education, recreation, and roadways. This Plan will also contain Smart Growth elements such as clean energy, climate change, resiliency, green infrastructure, walkable and bikeable neighborhoods, and social diversity, to name a few.

Citizen participation will be a critical element to the Town of York's Comprehensive Plan update. A variety of methods will be used to collect citizen input in order to engage as many residents as possible in the comprehensive planning process.

**Q\_976** Statement of Need

The last update to the Town of York's Comprehensive Plan was in 2006 (<http://www.yorkny.org/departments/building-zoning/comprehensive-plan.html>). As development continues to occur at a fast pace throughout the Town, it is desperate for an up-to-date Comprehensive Plan that reflects the community's common vision of what it hopes to be in the future – the quality of its residential neighborhoods; the places residents live, work, shop, and play; the way people and goods move about the community; and the treatment of natural and environmental features as development changes the rural landscape.

A critical component of the new Comprehensive Plan will be community involvement. Public engagement in the comprehensive planning process will be the key for identifying overall community goals and guiding the Town's growth and development policies.

**Q\_2366** How does your project align with the Regional Economic Development Council's Strategic Plan/Upstate Revitalization Initiative Plan? (strategic plans are located at <https://regionalcouncils.ny.gov/>)

The local Finger Lakes REDC URI plan identifies quality-of-life as the foundation for economic development within a community (Page 5, Figure 1). Quality-of-life issues will be at the heart of this comprehensive planning effort as the plan will address maximum livability for multiple generations and local economic development issues by reviewing

indicators such as jobs, education, housing, the environment, recreation, and cost of living, to name a few.

Emphasis will be placed on ways to improve the Town's quality-of-life by: (i) raising the desirability of the Town as a destination, (ii) attracting new residents, (iii) fostering economic growth and job creation by retaining local businesses and promoting inward investment in the community, and (iv) encouraging recreation and relaxation among the Town's natural spaces and parks.

**Q\_930** Explain what makes your project a regional economic priority - for example creates jobs, economic investment, sustainability and community revitalization, government efficiency or consolidation etc.

York's new Comprehensive Plan will not only serve as the blueprint for future actions by the Town itself, but it will coordinate with other communities across the Finger Lakes Region to grow and strengthen the interconnected local economies while preserving the area's natural and cultural heritage. This approach will help to foster inter-municipal collaboration in terms of development and preservation initiatives as well as infrastructure investment.

It is anticipated that the comprehensive planning process will clearly define what the Town, as part of the larger region, will do to support existing business growth, attract new business investment, and encourage the redevelopment and revitalization of identified areas. Involving a diverse group of citizens, stakeholders, and essential partners will be a key component of this effort.

**Q\_9527** Does your project advance downtown revitalization and strategic community investment?

Yes

**Q\_9528** If Yes, please detail how it will advance downtown revitalization and strategic community investment.

The Town of York's 2006 Comprehensive Plan notes that it will preserve and promote quality residential development and strive to meet the varied housing needs of the population. It also states that majority of future residential development will be channeled to existing hamlets. As such, this comprehensive planning process will focus on the hamlets as "downtowns for all" that appeal to people of varying ages, backgrounds, and incomes. Other strategic considerations will include: (i) linkages among natural resources and amenities, (ii) leveraging public sector investment to catalyze private development, and (iii) the establishment of codes and guidelines that provide clarity and flexibility for the development community.

**Q\_9529** Does your project improve access to child care?

Yes

**Q\_9530** If Yes, please detail how it will improve access to child care.

The Town of York's Comprehensive Plan will explore the social, economic, and environmental benefits of a local system of child care and early education programs as it relates to community development goals, including smart growth and sustainability

planning initiatives.

**It is recognized by the Town that child care contributes to the local economy and family-friendly neighborhoods – ones that are inclusive and meet the needs of all ages – by supporting parents and employers. The Town would like to focus on building partnerships among schools, public transit providers, housing developers, etc. that will allow for public and private support for childcare projects.**

Q\_9531 Does your project incorporate environmental justice practices?

Yes

Q\_9532 If Yes, please detail how it will incorporate environmental justice practices.

**This project will incorporate environmental justice practices through a holistic, comprehensive planning process that promotes equity and protects human health from environmental hazards among all residents.**

**The process will include collaboration with partners in the Town's disadvantaged communities that will work together to engage with local residents in their neighborhoods. These types of effective community outreach efforts will allow the Town to detail residents' concerns such as health barriers and specifically address those concerns through the Plan's goals and policies.**

**After adoption of the Comprehensive Plan, the Town of York will continue to involve and engage disadvantaged communities in implementation activities.**

Q\_3762 Does your project directly address the needs of people in your region who are living in poverty and who seek resources for inclusion in the economic life of New York State?

Yes

Q\_3763 How does your project seek to apply CFA funds for the purpose of eliminating barriers to skilled employment by poor people in your region, as identified by the Opportunity Agenda? Please describe any efforts to collaborate at the local or regional level (i.e. public, private, labor, philanthropic sectors).

**There will be professional consultant opportunities for minority- and women-owned business enterprises during this planning project. As part of this comprehensive planning effort, the Town of York will explore collaborations with the Livingston County Office of Workforce Development and other community organizations to provide skill-building and employment opportunities for low-income, underserved residents.**

Q\_3764 How does your project build workforce development programs, improve physical infrastructure, and/or establish social services that connect people living in poverty in your region with skilled employment, in correspondence with the economic revitalization priorities, distressed community targets, and the industry growth areas identified in the Opportunity Agenda and Strategic Plan?

**This comprehensive planning effort will consider collaborations with the Livingston County Office of Workforce Development and other community organizations to provide increased access to job training programs and other related services, especially for at-risk youth, young adults, and distressed populations in the Town of York. This type of investment will help to build a network of skilled workers that advance the local and**

regional economies.

**Q\_4200** Does your project provide opportunities for Veterans' to participate in the workforce, or improve services to the Veterans' and military families in New York?

**Yes**

**Q\_4201** If Yes, please explain how your project impacts the Veterans' and military families in New York.

**(This question is associated with your answer selection in question: Q\_4200)**

**There will be professional consultant opportunities for veteran-owned businesses during this planning project. In addition, as part of this comprehensive planning effort, the Town of York will explore a collaboration with the Livingston County Veterans Services Department to develop local programming that will focus on community engagement and public health among veterans and military families.**

**Q\_6048** Does your project advance downtown revitalization?

**Yes**

**Q\_929** Current State of Project Development (i.e. planning, preliminary engineering, final design, etc. You may enter N/A for non-project related applications)

**Planning**

**Q\_975** Estimated Project Timeline: including project start/completion dates, estimates for design, permitting and construction or other major steps. (You may enter N/A for non-Project related applications)

**The Town of York will advertise an RFP for Professional Consulting Services in January 2022. A consultant will be hired and a Steering Committee will be established in March - April 2022. The comprehensive planning process will unfold from May 2022 - January 2023 and involve data analysis, visioning, the development of goals and objectives, evaluation of plan options, and the ultimate adoption of the Comprehensive Plan by the York Town Board. There will be multiple opportunities for public engagement throughout the process. Once the plan is adopted, it will be routinely monitored.**

**Q\_580** Provide a list of all federal, state, and local reviews, approvals, or permits needed or completed, including the dates when they are expected to be completed or were completed. If Not Applicable, indicate "NA".

**NA**

**Q\_2364** What is the status of State and/or Federal Environmental Review? If review of the project is underway or completed pursuant to the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) or National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), please indicate the lead agency (if applicable).

**SEQR is not underway.**

Q\_1054 If National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) Record of Decision has been issued, please explain (include date of Record of Decision).

N/A

#### **Prior CFA Funding**

Q\_2382 If funding was awarded in prior CFA rounds, what were the CFA numbers for which funding was awarded? (separate multiple CFA numbers with commas)

N/A

Q\_4160 For each program to which you are applying under the CFA, explain your strategy for proceeding if the full amount of requested funding, required matching funds, and temporary financing are not secured as expected, or committed sources become unavailable. This explanation must address any proposed project phases, and both CFA and non-CFA sources of funds.

If funding is not made in the full amount, then the Town of York will continue to pursue other funding sources to complete this comprehensive planning effort. The planning process will not be started until funding is secured for the full amount.

### *Standard Question*

#### **Smart Growth Comprehensive Planning Grant Program**

##### **Smart Growth Comprehensive Planning: Need and Financial Hardship**

Q\_12251 Please select a representative Mean Household Income level to demonstrate Need and Financial Hardship (see scoring tips)

Community has a Median Household Income (MHI) less than the 2017 Statewide MHI but not less than 80% of the 2017 MHI (i.e. MHI greater than or equal to \$50212 and but less than \$62765)

##### **Smart Growth Comprehensive Planning: Smart Growth Principles**

Q\_12246 Describe, in detail, how Smart Growth Principles will be incorporated into the Comprehensive Plan and Planning process.

The Town of York will incorporate Smart Growth Principles throughout its new Comprehensive Plan. The following principles will be central to the plan:

**Mixed land uses:** According to its 2006 Comprehensive Plan, the Town of York will remain a predominantly agricultural and rural residential community with a small town character. The Town, through the comprehensive planning process, will explore the development of mixed use, mixed income livable communities that are often sought after because they are attractive and economical. In order to preserve land for agriculture and open space, the Town will explore mixed use redevelopment patterns that optimize prior infrastructure investments, consume less land, reduce the use of vehicles, establish walkable communities, create a sense of place, and stimulate revitalization.

**Range of housing opportunities and choices:** York recognizes that, in order to be a sustainable community, it needs to promote livable neighborhoods and high-quality housing that increases the quality-of-life for its residents. The Comprehensive Plan will

**explore a varied, interconnected housing stock with housing options to meet the needs of a diverse community.** The revitalization of housing in existing neighborhoods will be an element that deserves special attention because it is often more cost-effective and sustainable than new construction. A "lifecycle" housing approach will provide for a community asset that successfully incorporates the growing workforce, young professionals, families, seniors, special needs, and people who are new to the community.

**Development and redevelopment in existing communities:** The majority of future development and redevelopment within the Town will be channeled to the existing hamlets of Linwood, Fowlerville, York, Wadsworth, Greigsville, Retsof, Piffard and to areas immediately adjacent to these hamlets where public services are available or could reasonably be extended to support development. It is anticipated that efforts will be undertaken to attract new commercial and industrial employers to the hamlets in order to broaden the Town's property tax base.

**Distinctive, attractive communities with a strong sense of place:** The Town of York will inventory, assess, and develop strategies to protect and highlight the unique, distinctive character of the community. Elements that will be explored include: ecology, natural features, geography, climate, culture, and historical resources. These will help to differentiate York from its surroundings and leave a lasting impressions with residents and visitors.

**Density:** The Town of York will explore infill development and redevelopment, increased density of development, and the adaptive re-use of existing buildings that result in efficient utilization of land resources, more compact areas, and more efficient delivery of quality public services. For efficient use of public and private infrastructure, the Town will strive to create neighborhoods that maximize the use of existing infrastructure. Special consideration will be given to the location and timing of infrastructure extensions in rural York so as not to encourage growth that will promote inefficient and unsustainable development patterns, create the need for additional inefficient and costly infrastructure, result in the loss of viable agricultural and natural resources, create conflicts between agricultural and other land uses, or ultimately harm the character of the rural community.

**Clean energy:** The Town of York, as part of its comprehensive planning process, will explore renewables and clean energy initiatives that align with related NYS goals, policies, and programs. Some areas of assessment will include: (i) regular municipal energy profiles, (ii) land in agricultural districts and under agricultural assessments, (iii) soil types and qualities, (iv) environmental resource assessments, and (v) disadvantaged and environmental justice communities. Because solar projects are currently underway in York, now is an ideal time for the Town to address goals and objectives specific to renewables and clean energy in its new Comprehensive Plan. The Town of York will develop strategies to: (i) balance clean energy and agricultural operations, and (ii) support the expansion of clean energy opportunities through the Town's land use policies, plans, and regulations.

**Climate change:** The Town of York, throughout its comprehensive planning process, will consider climate change and GHG emissions reductions related to vehicle and building energy use. There will be a focus on the promotion of a dense, compact land use pattern with mixed-uses that promote a balanced multi-modal transportation system - walking, bicycling, and transit - with open space conservation. Protecting critical areas, enhancing and restoring natural habitats, water and energy conservation, stormwater control, solid waste reduction, air quality, cleanup and redevelopment of brownfield sites, and access to healthy food are other climate change elements that will be explored. These factors will be the key to creating a community that attracts people of all ages to live, work, and play.

**Resiliency:** The Town of York Comprehensive Plan - through citizen participation and engagement - will focus on economically-resilient communities by assessing choices available to residents for living, working, shopping, and playing. Engaging diverse stakeholders early and often in the comprehensive planning process will enable York to

adapt and thrive when faced with decision-making challenges. In terms of resilience to natural and human-caused hazards, unemployment, barriers to education, crime, and homelessness - for example - the Town will explore resiliency planning that could involve updating land use codes, zoning, development standards, incentive programs, and other plans or policies to better prepare for stresses, uncertainty, and unexpected events.

**Green infrastructure:** The Town of York Comprehensive Plan will assess the community's existing assets and opportunities in order to plan for a sustainable community and green infrastructure. Data will be collected and analyzed on: (i) impervious surfaces, (ii) number and amount of roads, parking lots, and building that could incorporate green infrastructure, (iii) land ownership and use, including vacant and contaminated properties, (iv) existing green space and trails, (v) watershed boundaries, (vi) condition of water bodies, (vii) areas at risk of flooding, (viii) rainfall amounts and patterns, soil type, topography, depth to ground water and other factors that affect green infrastructure design and functionality. This data will be used by the Town of York to select the most appropriate sites for green infrastructure and design the most effective green infrastructure solutions for particular sites.

**Social diversity and integration:** This comprehensive planning process will focus on strategies that promote citizen involvement, social equity, and reinvestment in disadvantaged communities throughout the Town of York as ways to help preserve and strengthen community character. There will be a special focus on: (i) land development decisions that will not unfairly burden economically disadvantaged groups, (ii) encouraging economically and socially diverse mixed income neighborhoods and workforce housing as the foundation for healthy regions, (iii) strong public education systems that provide for reinvestment in disadvantaged communities, (iv) the needs of a changing population and with respect to special populations such as the elderly, school children, or people of diverse cultures, and (v) support for public-private partnerships that foster social equity and community redevelopment.

**Regional planning and coordination:** The comprehensive planning process will involve the establishment of a Steering Committee to guide the development of the Comprehensive Plan. The Town of York will invite local, regional, and state representatives to join the Steering Committee, which will allow for a collaborative and coordinated effort when discussing the vision and creating policies for the Town of York. In terms of sustainability, the local, regional, and state representatives will be asked to continue to be involved with and monitor the plan once it has been adopted by the Town.

**Walkable/bikeable neighborhood design:** The Town of York will address walkable and bikeable neighborhood designs by identifying: (i) opportunities to acquire and expand parkland and facilities in its hamlets, (ii) improve wayfinding signage to parks, (iii) additional community hubs and gathering spaces, (iv) shared facilities with schools, (v) improved trail linkages to the Genesee Valley Greenway, and (vi) bicycle and foot paths linking community, residential, institutional and business districts together.

**Variety of mobility choices:** The Town of York Comprehensive Plan will focus on safe, well-connected, and sustainable mobility options for all users. The plan will explore increased infrastructure for bicycles, pedestrian, and public transit, freight and automobiles. The maintenance of and improvements to streets, trails, and other infrastructure is also an important consideration. Social equity will be a critical element of all transportation strategies identified in the Comprehensive Plan.

**Well-planned and well-placed public spaces:** "Community character" and "a sense of place" are terms that are important to the Town of York as they signify qualities that make the community unique and attractive to residents and visitors alike. The Town, through its comprehensive planning effort, will pay special attention to its overall public realm, history and traditions, civic architecture, rich landscapes, distinct neighborhoods, vibrant public spaces, and environmental stewardship as solid community assets to strategize around. The Town's well-planned areas will affect the quality of the physical environment, business visibility, and the perception, economic investment in, and success of the Town.



York will promote community design for all ages and abilities in order to maximize safety and accessibility.

**Community and stakeholder collaboration in planning:** The Town of York understands the importance of meaningful, equitable, and inclusive citizen participation, which requires an open process that allows community members to find common ground for decision-making. Citizen engagement is at the center of this comprehensive planning process. Within the plan, the Town will identify strategies for improved communication and collaboration among various levels of government, citizens, developers, and others in order to build a better, stronger community and advance regional goals while still respecting local land use preferences.

### **Smart Growth Comprehensive Plan: Public Engagement**

**Q\_12247** Describe the approach and process that will be followed to ensure ongoing public participation and engagement during the planning process and comprehensive plan development. Include an approach for encouraging participation from populations who are frequently underrepresented including but not limited to immigrants, refugees, and minorities.

Throughout the comprehensive planning process, there will be significant public participation and engagement. It will be important for the Town of York to use a variety of outreach methods to ensure that all residents are able to share their unique perspectives on what makes York great and how it can evolve to be even better. The Town of York will encourage all residents to share their voice in many ways, ensuring that those who are unserved, underserved, and underrepresented have the opportunity to increase their involvement in decision-making.

Types of outreach will include: community presentations, visioning workshops and meetings; focus groups and listening sessions among community organizations and neighborhood groups; online surveys; pop-up events; a project website; and social media. Using such a variety of outreach tools throughout the process will ensure that the greatest number of residents are able to participate in the development of York's Comprehensive Plan.

### **Smart Growth Comprehensive Planning: Commitment**

**Q\_12248** Describe the level of commitment to the planning process by elected officials of the participating municipality and support from community residents.

York Town Supervisor, Gerald Deming, and the Town Board members are fully committed to this comprehensive planning process. The board members understand the importance of such a process and agree that now is the ideal time to develop a new Town of York Comprehensive Plan - considering the current plan dates back to 2006. The Town has made a significant financial commitment to its new comprehensive plan and looks forward to getting the process underway as soon as possible. These discussions are reflected in meeting minutes from past Town of York board meetings.

At board meetings and other public events throughout the Town, community residents have voiced their concerns over the rather outdated, 15-year-old comprehensive plan that the Town of York is currently referencing. Community members are in support of a new Comprehensive Plan that provides a fresh vision for the Town of York - one that accurately reflects the voice of York's residents and is the guiding document for shaping the Town over the next decade.

### **Smart Growth Comprehensive Planning: Local Capacity**

**Q\_12249** Describe the local capacity and effective organizational structure to advance and complete the project, and if there is sufficient experience and ability of key project personnel to successfully carry out the project.

The York Town Board will oversee the comprehensive planning process from beginning to end. A professional consultant will be hired to guide the overall development of the new Comprehensive Plan. As part of the planning process, the Town Board will establish a Steering Committee comprised, in part, of local, regional, and state officials and representatives to assist with the process. All project expenditures will be handled by the Town Clerk's office. This office will be in charge of monitoring the budget and schedule for the project. Progress reports will be regularly presented to and reviewed by the Town Board.

#### Smart Growth Comprehensive Planning - Scope of Work and Time Frame

**Q\_12250** Describe how the project will be implemented including project scope of work implementation and time frame. Identify the set of discrete tasks necessary to complete the project scope of work, project deliverables associated with each task, objectives to be achieved and problem(s) to be addressed. For each task identified provide associated cost, key project personnel, and a schedule for completion

The following tasks will be completed as part of the comprehensive planning process:

Advertise RFP for Professional Consulting Services - January 2022  
Hire Professional Consultant - March 2022  
Establish Steering Committee - April 2022  
Gather and Analyze Data - May 2022  
Public Outreach Efforts - June/July 2022  
Identify Problems, Issues, and Concerns June/July 2022  
Develop a Vision for Plan - August 2022  
Develop Goals and Objectives - September 2022  
Generate and Evaluate Plan Options - October/November 2022  
Public Outreach Efforts - October/November 2022  
Select and Develop Preferred Plan - December 2022  
Adopt Plan and Set Implementation Schedule - January 2023  
Monitor for Results and Impact - Ongoing

Key project personnel will include Town Board members, the Town Clerk, the Steering Committee representatives and the professional consultant. There will be public engagement activities throughout the process as well. The overall cost to hire the professional consultant will be \$60,000.

**Q\_3460** Are you applying to multiple sources through the CFA for this project? If yes, please break down the work proposed under each grant for which you are requesting funding. If you do not receive funding from all sources requested, will your project still be viable? What is your strategy for proceeding with reduced funding?

No. The Town of York is applying to one source. If funding is not made in the full amount, then the Town of York will continue to pursue other funding sources to complete this project. The project will not be started until funding is secured for the full amount.

**Q\_1434** Describe the administrative structures in place to administer the requested grant. Identify individuals who will be responsible for specific tasks, such as contract and grants administration, fiscal accounting, and project management. For those managers and professionals already hired, describe their qualifications. Summarize consultant selection process and schedule, noting whether it is completed, underway or proposed. For future hires, describe qualifications sought and procurement/hiring method.

In order to develop its Comprehensive Plan, the York Town Board will issue a Request or Proposals for Professional Consulting Services. Upon hiring, the chosen Consultant - with previous comprehensive planning experience - will manage the project from beginning to end. All expenditures will be handled by the Town Clerk's office. This office will be in charge of monitoring the budget and schedule for the project. Progress reports will be regularly presented to and reviewed by the Town Board, which will provide additional oversight.

**Q\_1575** Describe and document how the budget includes adequate detail for all project components involved, is cost-effective, presents necessary and realistic costs, and does not contain extraneous expenses.

The Town of York requested two cost estimates from local, professional consultants for the development of a Comprehensive Plan. The slightly greater estimate of the two (\$60,000) was used to develop the budget for the project. The \$60,000 budget will be used to hire a professional consultant through a Request for Proposals. Both consultants provided a project overview that adequately explains the steps of the comprehensive planning process that would be followed. There are no extraneous expenses associated with this project.

**Q\_12256** The Smart Growth Comprehensive Planning grants may be used for up to 90% of the total eligible costs of the project. Successful applicants will be required to provide the remaining 10% of the project cost. Describe the amount of local match that will be required and identify the source of those funds.

The total cost of the project is \$60,000. York is requesting \$54,000 (90%) from the Smart Growth Comprehensive Planning Grant Program and is committed to providing a \$6,000 (10%) local cash match. This match will come from the Town's general fund.

**Q\_1572** Describe and document how the budget and costs were determined.

The Town of York requested cost estimates (see below) from the MRB Group and Barton & Loguidice - two local, reputable consultants that specialize in comprehensive planning. Based on the cost estimates, York used the slightly greater of the two (\$60,000) to develop its budget for the project.

MRB Group - \$58,300  
Barton & Loguidice - \$60,000

## Smart Growth

**Smart Growth Questions:**The NYS Smart Growth Public Infrastructure Policy Act requires that a project meet the relevant smart growth criterion to the extent practicable. Please respond to the questions below regarding smart growth criteria.

**Q\_1059** Does the proposed project use, maintain, or improve existing infrastructure? Y/N/Not Relevant. Please explain all responses.

Yes. The Town of York's 2006 Comprehensive Plan states, "Priority will be given to achieving a greater intensity of land development in non-agricultural areas with adequate infrastructure (roads, water, sewer, etc.) capacity and which have the fewest number of development constraints."

The new Town of York Comprehensive Plan will address the use of, maintenance, and improvements to existing infrastructure. The Town is interested in providing an adequate public water supply to meet the needs of existing and new residential, commercial and industrial developments. It would also like to maintain safe sanitary sewer systems, provide adequate solid waste collection and disposal, and achieve universal broadband coverage for all residents, businesses, employment centers, educational institutions and service organizations.

Q\_1060 Is the proposed project located in a municipal center? Y/N/Not Relevant. Please explain all responses.

Yes. The Town of York Comprehensive Plan will address the entire town, including its seven hamlets - York, Fowlerville, Linwood, Greigsville, Retsof, Wadsworth, and Piffard. The comprehensive planning process will focus on revitalization in these hamlets that contain a mix of residential housing stock, community services, retail shops, restaurants, offices, and other commercial properties. As the population, business, and activity centers in the town, these vibrant, attractive, and walkable hamlets will be a vital source of goods, services, entertainment, culture, and jobs for residents, surrounding communities, and visitors. The residential neighborhoods in the hamlets will provide safe and attractive places for all ages and incomes.

Q\_1061 Is the proposed project located in a developed area or an area designated for concentrated infill development in a municipally approved comprehensive land use plan, local waterfront revitalization plan and/or brownfield opportunity area plan? Y/N/Not Relevant. Please explain all responses.

Yes. A general community goal listed in the Town of York's 2006 Comprehensive Plan states, "The Town's industrial development program will include the infilling of existing industrial areas as well as the identification and promotion of new sites for industrial development. The purpose of the Town's industrial development program will be to provide opportunities for local employment and to strengthen the tax base without compromising the quality of the Town's residential character."

The Town of York Comprehensive Plan will cover the entire town, including any activity centers prioritized for concentrated infill development. A land use map, as part of the Comprehensive Plan, will identify the locations where residents prefer to see, for example, new mixed use activity centers or areas of more intense housing. The Plan will identify areas ripe for infill and development by determining the availability of developable or redevelopable land with the Town of York. It will also identify and hazardous or environmentally sensitive areas, the availability and capacity of utilities and other services such as schools and fire protection, current zoning, and recent housing sales and trends.

Other infill elements that will be addressed include: (i) market potential to understand how much retail or commercial development would be successful in a particular activity center, (ii) brownfield and environmental assessments, (iii) access to roadways for transit, walking and biking as well as vehicles, (iv) creation of public spaces, and (v) in general, the clean up or redevelop disinvested areas.

Q\_1062 Will the proposed project protect, preserve and enhance the State's resources, including agricultural land, forests, surface and groundwater, air quality, recreation and open space, scenic areas, and significant historic and archeological resources? Y/N/Not Relevant. Please explain all responses.

Yes. The Town of York's 2006 Comprehensive Plan states under General Community Goals, "The planning program will emphasize the protection of York's important natural resources, productive agricultural soils and the community's significant environmental

assets." Under Resource Conservation, the Plan notes that "the Town's natural resources, including its historic and cultural heritage, should be protected and conserved to the greatest practical extent." Under Agricultural Resources, the Plan states that "the Town will give priority to the protection and enhancement of agricultural resources and viable farming areas and will support agriculture as an industry and land use."

Within its new Comprehensive Plan, the rural Town of York will explore the protection, preservation, and enhancement of local, regional, and state resources throughout the community. The area has an abundance of agricultural, natural, environmental, recreational, and cultural assets that deserve special attention. Developing preservation strategies for these areas as part of the comprehensive planning process will ensure that they remain valuable resources for future generations.

Some planning elements that the Town of York will consider include: (i) providing access to the community's natural resource and public open spaces for the enjoyment and recreation of residents and visitors, (ii) developing trailheads and footpaths to improve access to hamlets, (iii) conserving and protecting wildlife corridors, (iv) encouraging clustering of development away from environmentally-sensitive land, (v) conserving riparian buffers along major streams, (vi) retain and encourage a diversity of economically viable farm types, (vii) identifying and preserving scenic viewshed within the community, and (viii) compiling and maintaining a current information base on the Town of York's prehistoric, historic, and cultural resources for use by all.

Q\_1063 Will the proposed project foster mixed land uses and compact development, downtown revitalization, Brownfield redevelopment, the enhancement of beauty in public spaces, the diversity and affordability of housing in proximity to places of employment, recreation and commercial development and the integration of all income and age groups? Y/N/Not Relevant. Please explain all responses.

Yes. The Town of York's Comprehensive Plan will serve as a blueprint for future development and preservation efforts within the community over the next decade. The comprehensive planning process, as such, will be community-driven, thorough, equitable, and inclusive. It will cover an array of policies and initiatives related to future development and preservation efforts that support Smart Growth principles. Elements of the plan will include: (i) existing conditions, (ii) goals and objectives, (iii) implementation strategies, and (iv) a future land use map. These elements will fully explore and address the following in relation to Smart Growth principles:

-Demographics (York's population by age, gender, racial characteristics, average household size, total number of households, birth and death rates, migration rates, and distribution on the landscape)

-Economy (An inventory of economic conditions that will reveal how people in York earn a living and the kinds of businesses and industries the community needs and could support downtown revitalization)

-Housing (Total number and condition of existing housing stock, home prices and affordability, housing proximity to employment, building permit data, vacancy rates, owner-occupied housing versus renter-occupied housing as percentage of total stock, and future housing needs based on York's demographic projections)

-Transportation (The current physical condition of the transportation system in York, volume and usage of existing roadways, transit services, rail lines, recreational trails, projected volumes based on development patterns)

-Public services (An analysis of water and sanitary sewer facilities, police and fire services, social services, parks and recreation facilities, beautification efforts, as well as other land, buildings and facilities owned by local government in York)

-Environmental conditions (York's environmental resources - such as soil types, slopes, climate conditions, mineral resources, water resources - brownfields, green infrastructure areas, and those areas suitable for development, limited development, and development protections)

-Existing land uses (York will develop maps of current development patterns, locations of major land-use classifications, mixed land uses, compact development, residential densities, and commercial and industrial uses of special concern)

**Q\_1064** Will the proposed project provide mobility through transportation choices including improved public transportation and reduced automobile dependency? Y/N/Not Relevant. Please explain all responses.

**Yes.** The transportation goal listed in the Town of York's 2006 Comprehensive Plan states, "The Town will promote a transportation system that provides access for cars, trucks, pedestrians and bicyclists in a safe and efficient manner."

The Town of York recognizes the importance of developing a balanced, efficient, multi-modal transportation network that minimizes impacts to the environment and reinforces the livability of neighborhoods. The transportation network will be developed in a sustainable pattern that supports the Town's future land uses, minimizes vehicle miles traveled, and reduces air pollution and greenhouse gas emissions.

It is anticipated that the Town of York Comprehensive Plan will address the concept of "complete streets," which will integrate the design of the Town's transportation network to serve all users with strategies for pedestrians, bicyclists, people with disabilities, transit users, drivers, freight haulers, and citizens of all ages. An emphasis on "complete streets" will help to create an appropriate scale and size of transportation facilities within the York community that will provide a seamless network of driving, on-street walking, transit and bicycle facilities, and trails connecting schools, homes, shopping, employment centers, recreation areas and other destinations.

In 2018, the Town of York completed a "Safety, Place, and Prosperity - The Transportation Plan for the Hamlet of Greigsville" study, which is centered by the intersection of New York State (NYS) Route 63 (Genesee Street) and NYS Route 36 (Main Street). The Hamlet is home to the York Central School District (CSD) Campus, which serves as the *de facto* community center of the Town. The purpose of the Plan is to develop a strategy to address both existing and potential transportation safety and access concerns, including an off-road trail connection that will serve both transportation-related and recreational trips. Key elements from the Plan can easily be incorporated into the Comprehensive Plan for the Town of York.

**Q\_1065** Will the proposed project involve coordination between state and local government and inter-municipal and regional planning? Y/N/Not Relevant. Please explain all responses.

**Yes.** As part of the Town of York's comprehensive planning process, a Steering Committee will convene to work closely with town staff, other committees, and the consultant to develop and evaluate planning alternatives and make recommendations on a preferred plan. Members of the Steering Committee will meet regularly and be asked to provide advice and assistance to the project team for broader community outreach to residents and businesses as they are able and willing to do so.

Representatives from state and local governments and intermunicipal and regional planning agencies will be asked to participate as members of the Steering Committee. These representatives will bring their unique perspectives to the process in order to make the Town of York Comprehensive Plan one that serves not only the town itself but aligns with region and state goals and other local economies as well.

Q\_1066 Will the proposed project involve participation in community based planning and collaboration? Y/N/Not Relevant. Please explain all responses.

Yes. During the comprehensive planning process, the Town of York will be actively collecting and incorporating community input on how residents want York to grow over the next decade. Through a process of equitable and inclusive engagement, the Plan aims to understand what residents feel is important to preserve in their community and where investments should be guided to help make York an even more vibrant and unique town.

In order to hear as many voices and perspectives as possible, the following types of engagement efforts will be used: (i) community meetings and information sessions, (ii) workshops for elected officials, (iii) key stakeholder interviews, (iv) online and household surveys, and (v) pop-up events.

Q\_1067 Will the proposed project ensure predictability in building and land use codes? Y/N/Not Relevant. Please explain all responses.

Yes. The Town of York's Comprehensive Plan will be the foundation for planning within the town. Zoning, subdivision, and other regulatory tools will be the principal means for implementing the plan. The Comprehensive Plan and building and land use codes (zoning and subdivision) are important because they will continue to be the principle mechanisms through which many of the elements that make up a complete community are legislated, permitted, encouraged, and managed.

Q\_1068 Will the proposed project promote sustainability by strengthening existing and creating new communities which reduce greenhouse gas emissions and do not compromise the needs of future generations, by among other means encouraging broad based public involvement in developing and implementing a community plan and ensuring the governance structure is adequate to sustain its implementation? Y/N/Not Relevant. Please explain all responses.

Yes. A major update to the Town of York's Comprehensive Plan will be a renewed focus on Smart Growth principles. Currently, in Livingston County, there are approximately 17 solar projects in various stages of development, including several in the Town of York. As such, the Town has been proactive in creating a solar committee, a battery storage committee and others to address the importance of renewable energy to the community, region, and state. In addition to renewable and clean energy issues, the Town will focus on addressing climate change and resiliency through land use and transportation policies that can affect the level of greenhouse gases in the atmosphere. The comprehensive planning process will collect feedback from special populations such as children, older people, and low-income households that are particularly susceptible to health impacts related to climate change concerns, such as flooding, extreme heat, drought, increases in diseases, and changes in food production capabilities. The Town of York Comprehensive Plan will consider climate action and energy reduction plans, energy audits, incorporating climate change into environmental reviews, and promoting land use and transportation strategies that focus on increasing accessibility, supporting a mix of housing types, and increasing transit and non-motorized opportunities.

Not only is it important for the Town of York Comprehensive Plan to address sustainability in terms of development and preservation policies, but it is just as critical for the Town and its residents to develop and maintain a comprehensive planning process that is

sustainable over time. It will be important for Town officials and residents to regularly refer to, revisit, and revise the Comprehensive Plan as necessary. This plan is a "living document" that will need community champions to assist with implementation. A strong community network of supporters and regular discussions about comprehensive planning at public meetings will ensure that the plan is one that remains the backbone for decision-making around future development and preservation issues.

## Certification

### General Certifications

**Q\_1037** By entering your name in the box below, you certify and agree that you are authorized on behalf of the applicant and its governing body to commit the applicant to comply with the requirements of Article 15-A of the New York State Executive Law: Participation By Minority Group Members and Women With Respect To State Contracts by providing opportunities for Minority-owned Business Enterprise (MBE)/Woman-owned Business Enterprise (WBE) participation. You further certify that the applicant will maintain such records and take such actions necessary to demonstrate such compliance throughout the completion of the project.

Gerald Deming

**Q\_1038** By entering your name in the box below, you certify that you are authorized on behalf of the applicant and its governing body to submit this application. You further certify that all of the information contained in this Application and in all statements, data and supporting documents which have been made or furnished for the purpose of receiving assistance for the project described in this application, are true, correct and complete to the best of your knowledge and belief. You acknowledge that offering a written instrument knowing that the written instrument contains a false statement or false information, with the intent to defraud the State or any political subdivision, public authority or public benefit corporation of the State, with the knowledge or belief that it will be filed with or recorded by the State or any political subdivision, public authority or public benefit corporation of the State, constitutes a crime under New York State Law.

Gerald Deming

**Q\_12325** By entering your name in the box below you are submitting an application under the Environmental Protection Fund Smart Growth Comprehensive Planning Grant, and hereby certify that all components of the requested Total Project Cost are reasonable and necessary for the conduct of the proposed project and that prudent analysis has been undertaken, as outlined below, to insure that all costs are consistent with current prevailing costs for such goods and services in the geographic area that will benefit from the project.

Gerald Deming

## Net New Jobs

No job answers necessary due to your associated programs.

## Qualified Investments

No investment answers necessary due to your associated programs.



## Total Project Cost

Total project cost: \$ 60,000

## Funding Requested from Program

Program	Amount Requested
Smart Growth Comprehensive Planning Grant Program	\$ 54000

## Program Budget

### Smart Growth Comprehensive Planning Grant Program

Use	Source	Status	Amount	Indicate Source / Comments
Contractual Services	State	Anticipated	\$54000	Department of State - Grant
Contractual Services	Local	Secured	\$6000	Town General Fund - Local Cash Match

## Attachment Questions & Answers

### Smart Growth Comprehensive Planning Grant Program

#### Smart Growth Comprehensive Planning: Type of Applicant

Q\_12267 Please select the category that describes the primary applicant from the list below to identify attachment requirements based on applicant type. Refer to the scoring tips for more information and definitions.

**Municipality**

#### Smart Growth Comprehensive Planning: EPF Smart Growth Budget Summary & Detail

Q\_12238 Complete a DOS Budget Summary & Detail table to demonstrate eligible costs (see scoring tips).

[smart-growth-budget-summary-and-detail.pdf](#)  
[Download](#)

#### M/WBE Compliance Form

Q\_12239 Applicants are required to submit the MWBE Compliance Form with their application confirming their understanding of the MWBE requirement and agreeing to show due-diligence and make good faith efforts to provide meaningful participation by MWBEs, whenever possible, if awarded the contract. The MWBE Compliance Form is available at <https://dos.ny.gov/funding-bid-opportunities>.

[T\\_York\\_MWBE.pdf](#)  
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## Resolutions

- Q\_12240 Attach resolutions, municipal agreements, executed Intermunicipal Agreements or other items to the submission to help illustrate support for the application/project .

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- Q\_12241 Please provide Letters of Support for your project (if applicable). All letters should be scanned into a single PDF file and their total size cannot exceed 30 Megabytes (MB).

T. York\_LOS.pdf  
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## Legend

[x] = Expired Program

### NEW BUSINESS:

#### 1) Pay App #6:

a- Genesee Valley Construction

RESOLUTION offered by Mr. Smith and Seconded by Mr. Morgan to approve Pay App #6 for base Bid A, to Genesee Valley Construction, LLC in the amount of \$28,500.00. Voted on and approved, Yes-5, No-0.

#### 2) RG&E gas line:

Mr. Worden informed the Board after a conversation with a representative from RG&E regarding the York Road East 4" gas main request, they are adamant that the new line of approximately 3,012 feet of main will go only to York Milling & Grain, they have no plans to connect existing homeowners on this newer line.

Councilman Morgan inquired as to when they wish to begin, which Mr. Worden replied they wanted to start in January, but we have a force main and gravity sewer in this area and there is not enough room.

Supervisor Deming asked what are other options.

Councilman Rose commented we certainly wouldn't want them on top of our pipe in the event we needed to work on it, it would be very difficult to work around.

Mr. Worden stated when a decision is made, he strongly suggests having an inspector onsite at RG&E's expense to make sure our water & sewer lines are protected.

Supervisor Deming commented that he fully agrees we should have an onsite inspector when the new gas main is installed. Mr. Deming added, we never heard back from RG&E regarding their request for the Retsof area.

Attorney Kanyuck stated that he had a conversation with RG&E and the concerns they shared with him dealt with money to be expended for an inspector for the number of hours onsite.

Mr. Worden replied our taxpayers should not be paying for this or any inspection necessary when installing new gas main where our existing lines are located. We should not be utilizing inspectors from RG&E, it is necessary that we have inspectors that watch on our behalf. Mr. Worden commented we have not had issues with RG&E in the past but still need to protect what we have.

Mr. Worden stated that he has reviewed the maps, but their map and ours are not matching up.

Attorney Kanyuck stated that he has a follow up call with the Attorney from RG&E on Thursday of this week.

Councilman Rose commented once the road banking goes away, it will be very tight to work in and close to our infrastructure.

Attorney Kanyuck inquired if the Town has a fee schedule for excavation, which Mr. Worden answered, we do not.

Attorney Kanyuck replied we should have some answers after the call on Thursday.

Mr. Worden stated that RG&E wanted to be at the 3-foot mark.

Councilman Morgan replied they would need to go down further. When installing the new waterline on York Road West, we went down much further.

After no further comments....

### **ADJOURNMENT**

RESOLUTION offered by Mr. Smith and seconded by Mr. Swede to adjourn the Town Board meeting until February 11, 2025. Voted on and approved, Yes- 5, No- 0.

Town Board meeting closed at 7:35 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,  
*Christine Harris*  
Christine M. Harris, Clerk