

At a Special Meeting of the
Town Board held in and for
the Town of Oswego on the
4th day of August, 2020, at
6:00 P.M. at the Town Hall.

SEQRA RESOLUTION 2020-69

Declaring a Negative Declaration for REDI PROJECT #40

Lakeshore Commercial Sewer District

WHEREAS, the Town Board for the Town of Oswego is seeking to establish the Lakeshore Commercial Sewer District (the “Project”), a sewer district under consideration based on a grant from the Resiliency and Economic Development Initiative (REDI) Commission of the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board authorized the preparation of a Preliminary Engineering Report (PER) by BCA Architects & Engineers (BCA), and dated February 2020; to wit: the Project consists of investigations, evaluations and construction of a new sanitary sewer system that will serve the Town of Oswego's new Lakeshore Commercial Sewer District. Commercial and residential users in this proposed District currently use onsite septic systems for wastewater treatment, which are generally problematic and relatively expensive due to site restrictions and hazards of Lake Ontario. The sewer facilities for this project will reduce environmental impacts, health and sanitary concerns and may promote sustainability and development for commercial properties. Construction will generally include the installation of sewer collection facilities such as conventional gravity sewer piping, force mains, manholes, individual grinder pump stations, two main pump stations and associated material and apparatuses.; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board for the Town of Oswego (the “Town Board”) reviewed the PER and determined that the Project (known as REDI Project # 40) qualifies as a Type I Action pursuant to the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA), and declared its intention to assume the role of Lead Agency for purposes of the SEQRA, having done so by resolution dated May 12, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board submitted notice to various Involved Agencies on or about June 9, 2020, said agencies included the NYSDEC, NYSDOT, NYSEDC, County of Oswego, City of Oswego, multiple State agencies required to be notified under the REDI guidelines, as well as federal agencies: U.S. Fish & Wildlife Services and USACOE; and

WHEREAS, no such agency filed an objection to the Town Board assuming Lead Agency status, and many provided feedback on the Project but no agency provided comments raising concerns about the environmental impact related to the establishment of the Lakeshore Commercial Sewer District; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has received and reviewed Parts 1, 2 & 3 of the Full Environmental Assessment Form (FEAF), prepared by BCA, as well as the Final Map, Plan and Report prepared by BCA for the proposed sewer district, and has determined that it is in the best interest of the Town of Oswego and the properties located within the proposed sewer district to issue a negative declaration;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT,

- (1) The Town Board hereby declares it received and reviewed Parts 1, 2 & 3 of the FEAF for the Project.
- (2) The Town Board received and reviewed comments from various Involved Agencies and declares that no comments received were critical of the proposed Lakeshore Commercial Sewer District, nor raised any environmental concerns related thereto.
- (3) The Town Board hereby determines that the Project will result in no significant adverse impacts on the environment, and, therefore, an environmental impact statement need not be prepared. Accordingly, this negative declaration is issued.
- (4) The Town Board directs that Town Attorney to file the Negative Declaration with the Environmental Notice Bulletin and take all further action necessary to give effect to the findings and determinations contained herein.

The Resolution was made by Supervisor Kaulfuss and seconded by Councilor Herrmann and voted on by the Members of the Town Board in attendance and constituting a quorum in accordance with the following roll call vote:

RICHARD KAULFUSS, SUPERVISOR	YES
GREG HERRMANN, COUNCILOR	YES
RICHARD TESORIERO, COUNCILOR	YES
VICTORIA MULLEN, COUNCILOR	ABSENT
JONATHAN FOWLER, COUNCILOR	YES

The Resolution, having been duly voted upon, is hereby adopted.

Dated: August 4, 2020



NIKKI FOWLER, TOWN CLERK

Certification

I, Nikki Fowler, the duly appointed Town Clerk of the Town of Oswego, do hereby certify that the following Resolution was adopted at a Special Meeting of the Town Board held on August 4, 2020, and is on file and of record in the office of the Town Clerk for the Town of Oswego, and that said Resolution has not been altered, amended or revoked and is in full force and effect.

Dated: August 5, 2020



NIKKI FOWLER, TOWN CLERK
TOWN OF OSWEGO

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