

Introduced by Presiding Officer, on request of the County Executive and Legislators Nowick, Schneiderman

**RESOLUTION NO. 400 -2010, APPROVING PLANNING STEPS
FOR THE ACQUISITION OF FARMLAND DEVELOPMENT
RIGHTS – JANUARY 2010**

WHEREAS, the Environmental Legacy Program was approved under the Adopted 2007-2009 Capital Program allocating fifty million dollars for the acquisition of environmentally sensitive lands, active recreation sites, historic properties, and farmland development rights where there is a partner who will provide a 50% matching contribution; and

WHEREAS, the 5th RESOLVED clause of Resolution No. 459-2001 established the Suffolk County Multifaceted Land Preservation Program for acquisitions to be consummated pursuant to Resolution No. 751-1997; pursuant to the traditional Suffolk County Open Space Program; pursuant to Chapter 8 of the SUFFOLK COUNTY CODE; for parkland purposes; for environmentally sensitive land acquisition; for watershed and/or estuary protection; for drinking water protection purposes; or in accordance with the programmatic criteria set forth in Resolution No. 603-2001 designated as the Suffolk County Active Parklands Stage II Acquisition Program; and

WHEREAS, Local Law No. 24-2007, "A Charter Law Extending and Accelerating the Suffolk County 1/4% Drinking Water Protection Program for Environmental Protection", authorizes the use of 31.10 per cent of sales and compensating use tax proceeds generated each year for Specific Environmental Protection including acquisition of open space; environmentally sensitive lands; farmland development rights; hamlet parks; active recreational parks; or historic/cultural parks, as determined by duly enacted Resolutions of the County of Suffolk; and

WHEREAS, the County's nationally acclaimed land preservation programs have received a jump start with the approval in 2004, 2005, and 2006 master lists of important and significant environmentally sensitive lands, farmland, and recreationally important lands identified in Resolution No. 621-2004, Resolution No. 877-2005, and Resolution No. 47-2006, respectively, that it is now necessary to add additional parcels to the master list for acquisition of farmland development rights; now, therefore be it

1st **RESOLVED**, that this list of farmlands identified by Exhibit "A" for the acquisition of farmland development rights in Suffolk County, is hereby approved and/or confirmed, as a supplement to parcels previously approved for consideration for acquisition via duly enacted resolutions of the County of Suffolk; and be it further

2nd **RESOLVED**, that such acquisition(s) is(are) to be made in accordance with the procedures set forth in Chapter 8 of the SUFFOLK COUNTY CODE which provided that they be consummated in accordance with provisions of General Municipal Law Section 247 and the recommendation(s) of the Suffolk County Farmland Committee; and be it further

I.) ENVIRONMENTAL LEGACY PROGRAM

3rd **RESOLVED**, that the following parcel(s) listed below, in addition to parcels previously approved for consideration for acquisition of farmland development rights via duly

enacted resolutions of the County of Suffolk, is(are) hereby approved for preliminary planning steps (i.e., survey, appraisal, title search, and environmental audit) and ultimate inclusion in the Suffolk County Environmental Legacy Program, approved under the ADOPTED 2007-2009 CAPITAL PROGRAM:

<u>PARCEL:</u>	<u>SUFFOLK COUNTY TAX MAP NUMBER:</u>	<u>ACRES:</u>	<u>REPUTED OWNER AND ADDRESS:</u>
No. 1	District Section Block Lot		SET FORTH IN EXHIBIT "A" ATTACHED HERETO AND MADE A PART HEREOF

and be it further

4th **RESOLVED**, that the Commissioner of the County Department of Public Works and/or the Director of the Division of Real Property Acquisition and Management, Department of Environment and Energy, and/or her designee, is hereby authorized, empowered, and directed, pursuant to Section 8-2(W) of the SUFFOLK COUNTY CHARTER, to have surveys and maps prepared for the subject parcel(s) in accordance with Resolution No. 423-1988; and be it further

5th **RESOLVED**, that the Director of the Division of Real Property Acquisition and Management and/or her designee, is hereby authorized, empowered, and directed, pursuant to Section C42-2(C) of the SUFFOLK COUNTY CHARTER, to have the subject parcel(s) appraised, environmentally audited, and searched for title; and be it further

6th **RESOLVED**, that the Director of the Division of Real Property Acquisition and Management and/or her designee, is hereby further authorized, empowered, and directed, pursuant to Section C42-2(C), of the SUFFOLK COUNTY CHARTER, to initiate written contact with the owner(s) of the property, prior to ordering an appraisal, for the purpose of commencing negotiations to acquire the farmland development rights of the subject parcel(s), the actual acquisition of which shall be subject to approval via duly enacted resolution of the County of Suffolk; and be it further

7th **RESOLVED**, that the cost of such surveys, title searches, audits, maps, and/or appraisals, if any, shall be paid from the funds to be appropriated pursuant to the Suffolk County Environmental Legacy Program, as a reimbursement, if necessary, for costs incurred and paid for from other funds or as a direct payment from such proceeds, as the case may be; and be it further

8th **RESOLVED**, that the Director of the Division of Real Property Acquisition and Management and/or her designee, is hereby further authorized, empowered, and directed, pursuant to Section C42-2(C) of the SUFFOLK COUNTY CHARTER, to utilize such valid appraisals for the subject parcel(s) as may be made available to the County by any pertinent municipality, either voluntarily or upon request by the County of Suffolk; and be it further

II.) MULTIFACETED LAND PRESERVATION PROGRAM – FARMLAND DEVELOPMENT RIGHTS

9th **RESOLVED**, that the following parcel(s) listed below, in addition to parcels previously approved for consideration for acquisition of farmland development rights via duly

enacted resolutions of the County of Suffolk, is(are) hereby approved for preliminary planning steps (i.e., survey, appraisal, title search, and environmental audit) and ultimate inclusion in the Suffolk County Multifaceted Land Preservation Program, according to the provisions of the 5th RESOLVED clause of Resolution No. 459-2001, and pursuant to Chapter 8 of the SUFFOLK COUNTY CODE:

<u>PARCEL:</u>	<u>SUFFOLK COUNTY TAX MAP NUMBER:</u>	<u>ACRES:</u>	<u>REPUTED OWNER AND ADDRESS:</u>
No. 1	District Section Block Lot		SET FORTH IN EXHIBIT "A" ATTACHED HERETO AND MADE A PART HEREOF

and be it further

10th RESOLVED, that the Commissioner of the County Department of Public Works and/or the Director of the Division of Real Property Acquisition and Management and/or her designee, is hereby authorized, empowered, and directed, pursuant to Section 8-2(W) of the SUFFOLK COUNTY CHARTER, to have surveys and maps prepared for the subject parcel(s) in accordance with Resolution No. 423-1988; and be it further

11th RESOLVED, that the Director of the Division of Real Property Acquisition and Management, Department of Environment and Energy, and/or her designee, is hereby authorized, empowered, and directed, pursuant to Section C42-2(C) of the SUFFOLK COUNTY CHARTER, to have the subject parcel(s) appraised, environmentally audited, and searched for title; and be it further

12th RESOLVED, that the Director of the Division of Real Property Acquisition and Management, Department of Environment and Energy, and/or her designee, is hereby further authorized, empowered, and directed, pursuant to Section C42-2(C) of the SUFFOLK COUNTY CHARTER, to initiate written contact with the owner(s) of the property, prior to ordering an appraisal, for the purpose of commencing negotiations to acquire the farmland development rights of the subject parcel(s), the actual acquisition of which shall be subject to approval via duly enacted resolution of the County of Suffolk; and be it further

13th RESOLVED, that the cost of such surveys, title searches, audits, maps, and/or appraisals, if any, shall be paid from the funds to be appropriated pursuant to the provisions of the 5th RESOLVED clause of Resolution No. 459-2001, as a reimbursement, if necessary, for costs incurred and paid for from other funds or as a direct payment from such proceeds, as the case may be; and be it further

14th RESOLVED, that the Director of the Division of Real Property Acquisition and Management and/or her designee, is hereby further authorized, empowered, and directed, pursuant to Section C42-2(C) of the SUFFOLK COUNTY CHARTER, to utilize such valid appraisals for the subject parcel(s) as may be made available to the County by any pertinent municipality, either voluntarily or upon request by the County of Suffolk; and be it further

III.) NEW DRINKING WATER PROTECTION PROGRAM (AS AMENDED BY LOCAL LAW NO. 24-2007, EFFECTIVE DECEMBER 1, 2007) – FARMLAND DEVELOPMENT RIGHTS

15th **RESOLVED**, that the following parcel(s) listed below, in addition to parcels previously approved for consideration for acquisition of farmland development rights via duly enacted resolutions of the County of Suffolk, is(are) hereby approved for preliminary planning steps (i.e., survey, appraisal, title search, and environmental audit) and ultimate inclusion in the Suffolk County New Drinking Water Protection Program, Farmland component, Section C12-(A) (1)(f) of the SUFFOLK COUNTY CHARTER:

<u>PARCEL:</u>	<u>SUFFOLK COUNTY TAX MAP NUMBER:</u>	<u>ACRES:</u>	<u>REPUTED OWNER AND ADDRESS:</u>
No. 1	District Section Block Lot		SET FORTH IN EXHIBIT "A" ATTACHED HERETO AND MADE A PART HEREOF

and be it further

16th **RESOLVED**, that the Commissioner of the County Department of Public Works and/or the Director of the Division of Real Property Acquisition and Management and/or her designee, is hereby authorized, empowered, and directed, pursuant to Section 8-2(W) of the SUFFOLK COUNTY CHARTER, to have surveys and maps prepared for the subject parcel(s) in accordance with Resolution No. 423-1988; and be it further

17th **RESOLVED**, that the Director of the Division of Real Property Acquisition and Management and/or her designee, is hereby authorized, empowered, and directed, pursuant to Section C42-2(C) of the SUFFOLK COUNTY CHARTER, to have the subject parcel(s) appraised, environmentally audited, and searched for title; and be it further

18th **RESOLVED**, that the Director of the Division of Real Property Acquisition and Management and/or her designee, is hereby further authorized, empowered, and directed, pursuant to Section C42-2(C) of the SUFFOLK COUNTY CHARTER, to initiate written contact with the owner(s) of the property, prior to ordering an appraisal, for the purpose of commencing negotiations to acquire the farmland development rights of the subject parcel(s), the actual acquisition of which shall be subject to approval via duly enacted resolution of the County of Suffolk; and be it further

19th **RESOLVED**, that the cost of such surveys, title searches, audits, maps, and/or appraisals, if any, shall be paid from the funds to be appropriated pursuant to Section C12-(A) (1)(f) of the SUFFOLK COUNTY CHARTER, as a reimbursement, if necessary, for costs incurred and paid for from other funds or as a direct payment from such proceeds, as the case may be; and be it further

20th **RESOLVED**, that the Director of the Division of Real Property Acquisition and Management and/or her designee, is hereby further authorized, empowered, and directed, pursuant to Section C42-2(C) of the SUFFOLK COUNTY CHARTER, to utilize such valid appraisals for the subject parcel(s) as may be made available to the County by any pertinent municipality, either voluntarily or upon request by the County of Suffolk; and be it further

21st **RESOLVED**, that this Legislature, being the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) lead agency, hereby finds and determines that this resolution constitutes a Type II

action pursuant to Section 617.5(c)(20), (21), and/or (27) of Title 6 of the NEW YORK CODE OF RULES AND REGULATIONS (6 NYCRR) AND WITHIN THE MEANING OF Section 8-0109(2) of the NEW YORK ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION LAW as a promulgation of regulations, rules, policies, procedures, and legislative decisions in connection with continuing agency administration, management, and information collection, and the Suffolk County Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) is hereby directed to circulate any appropriate SEQRA notices of determination of non-applicability or non-significance in accordance with this resolution.

DATED: May 11, 2010

APPROVED BY:

/s/ Steve Levy
County Executive of Suffolk County

Date: May 26, 2010

EXHIBIT A

<u>PARCEL:</u>	<u>SUFFOLK COUNTY TAX MAP NUMBER:</u>	<u>ACRES:</u>	<u>REPUTED OWNER AND ADDRESS:</u>
No. 01	District 0801 Section 005.00 Block 01.00 Lot 023.006	25	Glenn C. Borella et al 4 Hitherbrook Road St. James, NY 11780
No. 02	District 0801 Section 005.00 Block 01.00 Lot 023.007	15	Glenn C. Borella et al 4 Hitherbrook Road St. James, NY 11780

TOTAL ACRES

40.0