

Introduced by Presiding Officer, on request of the County Executive

**RESOLUTION NO. 609 -2011, AUTHORIZING THE  
CREATION OF AN EASEMENT FOR USE BY NATIONAL GRID  
FOR NATURAL GAS SERVICE TO THE UNITED STATES  
DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS HOSPITAL AT  
NORTHPORT**

**WHEREAS**, the County owns certain parkland property containing ballfields and other facilities located in the Town of Huntington, at District 0400 Section 086.00 Block 03.00 Lot 001.002 (the "Premises"); and

**WHEREAS**, the United States Department of Veterans Affairs Hospital in Northport, Town of Huntington ("VA Hospital"), lying north of the Premises has expressed its desire to obtain underground primary natural gas service (the "Project") from KeySpan Gas East Corporation d/b/a National Grid ("National Grid"), a New York corporation; and

**WHEREAS**, National Grid has determined that such service would be available to the VA Hospital if National Grid were to obtain easements over land owned by the Town of Huntington and over parkland owned by the County which land and parkland lie between an existing natural gas main to the south and the VA Hospital; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Huntington has expressed its approval of the Project and has agreed to grant the easements required over its land; and

**WHEREAS**, National Grid has requested that it be granted an easement on a portion of the Premises in order to provide natural gas service to the VA Hospital; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Article XXVIII of the Charter of Suffolk County, the proposed easement is subject to the review and approval of the Commissioner of the Suffolk County Department of Parks, Recreation and Conservation and the Board of Trustees of Parks, Recreation and Conservation; and

**WHEREAS**, there exists a need to define those areas where utility construction will be permitted; now, therefore be it

**1<sup>st</sup>** **RESOLVED**, that pursuant to Article XXVIII of the Charter of Suffolk County, the proposed easement shall be subject to the review and approval of the Commissioner of the Suffolk County Department of Parks, Recreation and Conservation ("Commissioner") and the Board of Trustees of Parks, Recreation and Conservation ("Trustees"); and be it further

**2<sup>nd</sup>** **RESOLVED**, that upon approval of the Commissioner and Trustees, the grant of a non-exclusive easement be and is hereby authorized to be granted to KeySpan Gas East Corporation d/b/a National Grid ("National Grid") and such other providers of services as the County may judge necessary or desirable, to lay, re-lay, operate, maintain and remove such infrastructure items as gas mains and valves and services and other such unscheduled equipment that may be necessary for distribution and provision of natural gas service; and be it further

**3<sup>rd</sup>** **RESOLVED**, that the County Executive and/or his designee(s) are hereby authorized, directed and empowered to execute and deliver, on behalf of the County, any agreements, instruments or authorizations as may be contemplated by, or necessary or advisable to consummate or otherwise give full effect to this resolution, and to perform all acts and do all things required or contemplated to be performed by this resolution; and be it further

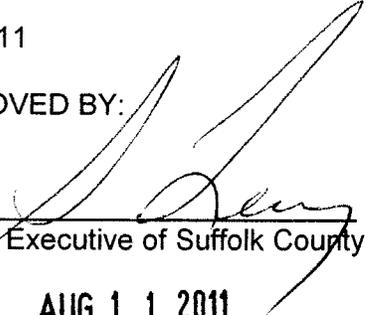
**4<sup>th</sup>** **RESOLVED**, that this Legislature, being the lead agency under the State Environmental Quality Review Act, New York Environmental Conservation Law Article 8 ("S.E.Q.R.A."), and Chapter 279 of the Suffolk County Code, hereby determines that this resolution constitutes an Unlisted action pursuant to Title 6 NYCRR Part 617; and, be it

**5<sup>th</sup>** **RESOLVED**, that the proposed project will not have a significant adverse impact on the environment for the following reasons:

1. The proposed action will not exceed any of the criteria in Title 6 NYCRR Part 617.7, which sets forth thresholds for determining significant effect on the environment; and
2. The proposed action does not appear to significantly threaten any unique or highly valuable environmental or cultural resources as identified in or regulated by the New York State Environmental Conservation Law or the Suffolk County Charter and Code; and
3. The proposed action will not interfere with existing or proposed recreational facilities as outlined in the Park Master Plan applicable to the affected property; and
4. The proposed action does not involve the physical modification of, or construction upon, lands which suffer from any severe environmental development constraints; and
5. The proposed action will allow the VA Hospital to convert its oil burning central plant to natural gas thereby offsetting 10,000 tons of CO2 emissions per year.

DATED: August 2, 2011

APPROVED BY:

  
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County Executive of Suffolk County

Date: **AUG 1 1 2011**

SUFFOLK COUNTY  
County Legislature  
RIVERHEAD, NY



*This is to Certify That I, TIM LAUBE, Clerk of the County Legislature of the County of Suffolk, have compared the foregoing copy of resolution with the original resolution now on file in this office, and which was duly adopted by the County Legislature of said County on Aug 2,2011 and that the same is a true and correct transcript of said resolution and of the whole thereof.*

*In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and the official seal of the County Legislature of the County of Suffolk.*

*Tim Laube*

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Clerk of the Legislature

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August 2, 2011

**Motion:**

Romaine, Schneiderman, Browning, Muratore, Anker  
Eddington, Montano, Cilmi, Lindsay, Vilorio-Fisher, Barraga,  
Kennedy, Nowick, Horsley, Gregory, Stern, D'Amaro, Cooper

**Co-Sponsors:**

Romaine, Schneiderman, Browning, Muratore, Anker  
Eddington, Montano, Cilmi, Lindsay, Vilorio-Fisher, Barraga,  
Kennedy, Nowick, Horsley, Gregory, Stern, D'Amaro, Cooper

**Second:**

Romaine, Schneiderman, Browning, Muratore, Anker  
Eddington, Montano, Cilmi, Lindsay, Vilorio-Fisher, Barraga,  
Kennedy, Nowick, Horsley, Gregory, Stern, D'Amaro, Cooper

LD	Legislator	Yes	No	Abs	NP	R
1	Edward P. ROMAINE	1				
2	Jay H. SCHNEIDERMAN					
3	Kate M. BROWNING					
4	Thomas MURATORE					
6	Sarah S. ANKER					
7	Jack EDDINGTON					
9	Ricardo MONTANO					
10	Thomas CILMI					
11	Thomas F. BARRAGA					
12	John M. KENNEDY, JR.					
13	Lynne C. NOWICK					
14	Wayne R. HORSLEY					
15	DuWayne GREGORY					
16	Steven H. STERN					
17	Lou D'AMARO					
18	Jon COOPER					
5	Vivian VILORIA-FISHER, D.P.O.					
8	William J. LINDSAY, P.O.					
	Totals	17				

**MOTION**

Approve

\_\_\_ Table: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_ Send To Committee

\_\_\_ Table Subject To Call

\_\_\_ Lay On The Table

\_\_\_ Discharge

\_\_\_ Take Out of Order

\_\_\_ Reconsider

\_\_\_ Waive Rule \_\_\_

\_\_\_ Override Veto

\_\_\_ Close

\_\_\_ Recess

APPROVED  FAILED \_\_\_

No Motion \_\_\_ No Second \_\_\_

**RESOLUTION DECLARED**

ADOPTED

\_\_\_ NOT ADOPTED

*Tim Laube*

Roll Call \_\_\_ Voice Vote