

Intro. Res. No. 1504-2013
Introduced by Presiding Officer, on request of the County Executive

Laid on Table 6/4/2013

**RESOLUTION NO. 596 -2013, ADOPTING LOCAL LAW
NO. 33 -2013, A LOCAL LAW TO ADOPT A NEW STRATEGIC
INDUSTRIES PROPERTY TAX ABATEMENT PLAN**

WHEREAS, there was duly presented and introduced to this County Legislature at a regular meeting held on June 4, 2013, a proposed local law entitled, "**A LOCAL LAW TO ADOPT A NEW STRATEGIC INDUSTRIES PROPERTY TAX ABATEMENT PLAN**;" and said local law in final form is the same as when presented and introduced; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that said local law be enacted in form as follows:

LOCAL LAW NO. 33 -2013, SUFFOLK COUNTY, NEW YORK

**A LOCAL LAW TO ADOPT A NEW STRATEGIC INDUSTRIES
PROPERTY TAX ABATEMENT PLAN**

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNTY LEGISLATURE OF THE COUNTY OF
SUFFOLK**, as follows:

Section 1. Legislative Intent.

This Legislature finds that pursuant to Chapter 305 of the Laws of 1994 of the State of New York, this Legislature adopted Local Law No. 9-1995 which established an Industrial and Commercial Incentive Board (ICIB) for the purpose of presenting a Strategic Industries Property Tax Abatement Plan (Plan) to benefit the economic development of industry and commercial business in Suffolk County.

This Legislature further finds that it adopted the last Plan in 1999 and that the Plan has served as a critical tool for growing Suffolk County's economy over the past decade.

This Legislature hereby finds that local municipalities are currently facing even greater economic hardships brought about by increases in unemployment and commercial blight caused by the economic downturn.

The Legislature further finds that the ICIB, working in conjunction with local towns and villages, has proposed an updated Plan to address the current difficulties facing economic development in business districts.

This Legislature hereby finds that as a result of the changing economic dynamics faced by local Suffolk County municipalities, it is prudent to update the current Plan in order to better meet the economic challenges faced by local businesses in Suffolk County.

Therefore, the purpose of this law is to amend Article VIII of Chapter 775 of the LAWS OF SUFFOLK COUNTY to incorporate the amendments to the Plan.

Section 2. Repeal of 1999 Plan.

The Strategic Industries Property Tax Abatement Plan that was attached to and made part of Local Law No.15-1999 and which was amended by Local Law No. 16-2001 is hereby repealed in its entirety.

Section 3. Adoption of a new Strategic Industries Property Tax Abatement Plan.

A new Strategic Industries Property Tax Abatement Plan attached hereto and made a part hereof as "Exhibit A" is hereby enacted.

Section 4. Applicability.

This law shall apply to all applications for real property tax exemptions pursuant to New York Real Property Tax Law § 485-b occurring on or after its effective date.

Section 5. Severability.

If any clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, section, or part of this law or the application thereof to any person, individual, corporation, firm, partnership, entity, or circumstance shall be adjudged by any court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or unconstitutional, such order or judgment shall not affect, impair, or invalidate the remainder thereof, but shall be confined in its operation to the clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, section, or part of this law, or in its application to the person, individual, corporation, firm, partnership, entity, or circumstance directly involved in the controversy in which such order or judgment shall be rendered.

Section 6. SEQRA Determination.

This Legislature, being the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) lead agency, hereby finds and determines that this law constitutes a Type II action pursuant to Section 617.5(c)(20) 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. 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 law.

Section 7. Effective Date.

This law shall take effect immediately upon filing in the Office of the Secretary of State.

DATED: July 30, 2013

APPROVED BY:

/s/ Steven Bellone

County Executive of Suffolk County

Date: August 19, 2013

After a public hearing duly held on August 14, 2013

Filed with the Secretary of State on August 29, 2013