

RESOLUTION NO. 926 -2015, MAKING A SEQRA DETERMINATION IN CONNECTION WITH THE PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS TO COUNTY ROAD 94 ROUNDABOUT, CAPITAL PROJECT 5557.110 AND 301.124/127, TOWN OF SOUTHAMPTON AND TOWN OF RIVERHEAD

WHEREAS, the Suffolk County Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) reviewed a project designated as the "Proposed Improvements to County Road 94 Roundabout, Capital Project 5557.110 and 301.124/127, Town of Southampton and Town of Riverhead", pursuant to Local Law No. 22-1985, the proposed action will reconstruct the existing single-lane traffic circle where Nugent Drive (CR 94), Lake Avenue (CR 63), Riverleigh Avenue (CR 104), Flanders Road (NYS 24) and Peconic Avenue converge into a two lane modern roundabout; and

WHEREAS, the proposed action also includes pedestrian safety improvements and water quality improvements provided via a new stormwater system comprised of raingardens, underground retention structures, catch basins and a stormwater treatment unit; and

WHEREAS, an Environmental Assessment Form (EAF) was prepared and submitted to the CEQ office by the Suffolk County Department of Public Works and a presentation was made by a representative from Nelson, Pope & Voorhis, LLC, and subsequently sent out to all concerned parties; and

WHEREAS, at its October 21, 2015 meeting, the CEQ reviewed the EAF and information submitted by the Suffolk County Department of Public Works; and

WHEREAS, the CEQ recommended that the above activity be considered an Unlisted Action, pursuant to the provisions of Title 6 NYCRR, Part 617 and Chapter 450 of the Suffolk County Code; and

WHEREAS, the CEQ has advised the County Legislature and the County Executive by memo dated October 26, 2015 of said recommendations; and

WHEREAS, Section 450-5(H) of the SUFFOLK COUNTY CODE requires the Presiding Officer to introduce legislation for an appropriate SEQRA determination; and

WHEREAS, the Suffolk County Legislature has reviewed the EAF and the CEQ recommendations; now, therefore be it

1st RESOLVED, that this Legislature hereby determines that the Proposed Improvements to County Road 94 Roundabout, Capital Project 5557.110 and 301.124/127, Town of Southampton and Town of Riverhead constitutes an Unlisted Action, pursuant to the provisions of Title 6 NYCRR, Part 617 and Chapter 450 of the Suffolk County Code, and the proposed project will not have significant adverse impacts on the environment for the following reasons:

- 1) the proposed action will not exceed any of the criteria set forth in Title 6 NYCRR, Part 617.7, which sets forth thresholds for determining significant effect on the environment, as demonstrated in the Environmental Assessment Form;
- 2) the proposal does not appear to significantly threaten any unique or highly valuable environmental or cultural resources as identified in or regulated by the Environmental Conservation Law of the State of New York or the Suffolk County Charter or the Suffolk County Code;
- 3) the proposed action will include pedestrian crosswalk signage and appropriate, dark skies compliant, crosswalk lighting;
- 4) the Suffolk County Department of Public Works will insure that the project's stormwater infrastructure receives routine maintenance;
- 5) the Suffolk County Department of Public Works will continue to coordinate with the Town of Riverhead on stormwater and traffic issues north of the proposed roundabout on Peconic Avenue and in connecting downtown Riverhead; and
- 6) the proposed improvements to the County Road 94 roundabout will reduce existing traffic congestion during the morning and evening rush hours and improve vehicular and pedestrian safety;

and be it further

2nd **RESOLVED**, that a copy of this Resolution shall be filed with the Suffolk County Clerk, the initiating unit of said project, and with the CEQ; and be it further

3rd **RESOLVED**, that in accordance with Section C1-4(1)(d) of the SUFFOLK COUNTY CHARTER and Section 450-5(C)(4) of the SUFFOLK COUNTY CODE, the CEQ is hereby directed to prepare and circulate a SEQRA notice of determination of non-significance in accordance with this Resolution.

DATED: November 17, 2015

APPROVED BY:

/s/ Steven Bellone
County Executive of Suffolk County

Date: December 2, 2015