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COMMON COUNCIL MEETING REGULAR SESSION

MARCH 13, 2024 7:00 P.M.

- 1. CALL THE ROLL OF MEMBERS BY THE CLERK
- 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- 3. INVOCATION
- 4. GENERAL PUBLIC HEARING
- 5. RECOGNITION/APPRECIATION
- 6. READING OF MINUTES OF PRECEDING SESSION
- 7. PRESENTING OF PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS
 - a. Petitions
 - A petition regarding the property at 5353 Rome-New London Rd. has been received and filed in the City Clerk's Office.
 - b. Communications
- 8. NOTICES
- 9. REPORTS OF CITY OFFICIALS
- 10. REPORT OF COUNCILORS AND GENERAL CITY AFFAIRS
- 11. PRESENTATION OF REPORTS OF COMMITTEES
- 12. RESOLUTIONS
 - **RES. NO. 45** RECOGNIZING THE 2023 EMPIRE STATE TRAIL TOWN ACTION AGENDA AND ACKNOWLEGING THE ADVOCACY GROUP FOR THE PROJECT KNOWN AS THE ROME WATERWAYS & TRAIL ADVOCACY GROUP. Dursi, Andrews
 - **RES. NO. 46** DESIGNATING THE COMMON COUNCIL AS LEAD AGENCY FOR THE STATE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY REVIEW (SEQR) AS IT PERTAINS TO THE WEST DOMINICK STREET ART INSTALLATION PROJECT AND ISSUING A NEGATIVE DECLARATION AS THIS PROJECT HAS BEEN DETERMINED TO BE AN UNLISTED ACTION FOR SEQR. Andrews

RES. NO. 47	AUTHORIZING FOUR (4) EMPLOYEES IN THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT TO ATTEND THE 2024 BROWNFIELD DEVELOPER SUMMIT (PLUS TOLLS AND MILEAGE). Andrews
RES. NO. 48	AUTHORIZING TWO (2) EMPLOYEES IN THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT TO ATTEND THE 2024 LOCAL GOVERNMENT CONFERENCE (PLUS TOLLS AND MILEAGE). Andrews
RES. NO. 49	AUTHORIZING THE SENIOR DOG CONTROL OFFICER TO ATTEND THE DCO/ACO CONFERENCE (PLUS TOLLS AND MILEAGE). Adams
RES. NO. 50	AUTHORIZING MAYOR TO REFUND ATLANTA PARTNERS, LLC, FOR OVERCHARGED FLAT WATER AND SEWER BILLS (\$9,168.77). Guiliano
RES. NO. 51	AUTHORIZATION TO AMEND RESOLUTION NO. 4 OF 2024 REGARDING THE STANDING COMMITTEES OF THE COMMON COUNCIL. Nash
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ORD. NO. 9681	AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION OF A TEMPORARY EASEMENT FOR THE ERIE BOULEVARD DOWNTOWN TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVE PROGRAM PROJECT (\$300.00). Andrews
ORD. NO. 9682	AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION OF A TEMPORARY EASEMENT FOR THE ERIE BOULEVARD DOWNTOWN TRANSPORTATION

14. LOCAL LAWS

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(2023)

MUNICIPALLY-OWNED BUILDING LOCATED AT 1030 E. DOMINICK

STREET WILL NOT HAVE A SIGNIFICANT EFFECT ON THE

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16. VETOED LEGISLATION

17. ADJOURNMENT

COMMON COUNCIL MARCH 13, 2024

RESOLUTION NO. 45

RECOGNIZING THE 2023 EMPIRE STATE TRAIL TOWN ACTION AGENDA AND ACKNOWLEGING THE ADVOCACY GROUP FOR THE PROJECT KNOWN AS THE ROME WATERWAYS & TRAIL ADVOCACY GROUP.





Empire State Trail Town
Action Agenda





City of Rome

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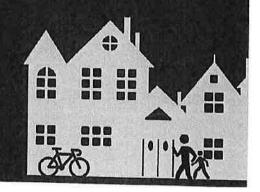


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Background

Parks & Trails New York (PTNY) and the New York State Canal Corporation developed the Empire State Trail Town program to help upstate communities recognize and capture the economic value of the Empire State Trail, the nation's longest single-state multi-use trail. With the 750-mile trail's completion in 2020, the Erie Canalway Trail— the east-west leg of the statewide system— has continued to be one of the state's premier outdoor recreation destinations. The Empire State Trail Town program was designed to build capacity and guide communities through the process of identifying ways they can transform into trail-friendly destinations where visitors want to stay, explore, and spend.

The Empire State Trail Town program began in 2022 with the Village of Brockport as a pilot community, and continued in 2023 with three additional communities: City of Lockport, Village of

Newark and City of Rome. Having been selected for their already high quality trail-based services and amenities and demonstrated commitment to policies geared towards trail users, the selected communities worked with PTNY throughout the year to identify opportunities and develop the tools to more effectively harness visitation to the renowned long-distance trail in their backyard.

Over the course of nine months, Rome worked with PTNY to develop a network of local partners committed to the Trail Town initiative, conduct research and assessment, and develop promotional resources and strategies. In this document, the work completed through the course of the program is summarized to guide Rome's advancement as a Trail Town. Upon adoption of this Action Agenda, Rome will be recognized as an officially certified Empire State Trail Town.

Empire State Trail Town Goals

Make communities more trail-user friendly.



 $\bullet\,$ Increase the frequency with which residents and visitors walk or bike both on and off the trail

Help communities realize economic benefits of the Canalway Trail.



- Increase the number of Canalway Trail users who spend money either at retail businesses or at a bar or restaurant as part of their trip
- Increase the number of Canalway Trail users who choose the community for an overnight stay

Empire State Trail Town Objectives

NETWORK: Form a network of individuals (including representatives of the municipality, engaged residents, volunteers, and members of the business community) dedicated to the Trail Town vision

RESEARCH: Conduct research and assessment to identify each Trail Town's strengths and areas for improvement, as well as understand current use of the trail

PROMOTION: Increase the visibility of the Trail Towns as destinations

ADVANCEMENT: Establish a plan and process to guide continued work toward Trail Town goals beyond the direct assistance provided by PTNY

Program Overview

After the three selected communities for 2023 were finalized, the technical assistance provided through the program began with a virtual Trail Town Orientation. This first virtual convening provided an introduction to the program and space to network with the other trail towns in the program.

Following the orientation, Rome's first task was to form a Trail Town steering committee that incorporated representatives from the city as well as committed partners, local businesses and bicycling advocates.

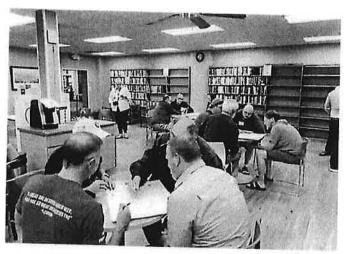
Rome Trail Town Committee Representatitves

- City of Rome Department of Community and Economic Development
- City of Rome Common Council
- NYS Assembly via Assemblymember Buttenschon
- Rome Rotary
- Mohawk Valley Economic
 - Development District

- Oneida County Tourism
- Fort Stanwix National Monument
- Rome Area Chamber of Commerce
- Mohawk Valley EDGE
- Jervis Public Library
- Rome Historical Society
- Roman Runners
- Koman Kunners
- Positively Rome
- Local business owners
- Community advocates

With the steering committee in place, Rome was able to begin the first task - a **Trail Town Self-Assessment**. The assessment encouraged Rome to take initial stock of its recreation and hospitality assets, and to start thinking about the strengths and weaknesses of the city in terms of attracting bicycle tourists and encouraging residents to walk or bike.

In May, a trail count effort was launched to collect information on trail use throughout the summer. With input from the Trail Town steering committee, PTNY installed an EcoVisio electronic trail counter on the Erie Canalway Trail/Empire State Trail on the west side of the city, just to the west of the Old Erie Canal Village. The City of Rome also purchased an electronic trail counter of their own, which was installed at Martin Street in July. PTNY also provided a webinar that trained trail town committee members on how to conduct manual trail counts to capture an enhanced level of data, including



a breakdown by mode use. Manual counts were conducted by volunteers at three locations: the Old Erie Canal Village, on W. Dominick St, and on the trail along Martin Street. An analysis of trail count data can be found on pages 8-10.

In early June, PTNY held a two-part participatory workshop in Rome, with an evening Placemaking Workshop on June 7 and a morning Bike Around Workshop the following day. The Placemaking Workshop provided a hands-on opportunity for about sixteen Trail Town steering committee members and other interested community members to learn more about outdoor recreation tourism and continue the conversations that the Trail Town Self-Assessment started. Through an interactive mapping exercise, workshop participants identified Rome's top assets (including places, businesses, events, and experiences), as well as gaps or areas for improved connectivity, services, or amenities. The following morning, PTNY led a group bike ride around Rome to highlight some of the assets and gaps identified during the previous evening's workshop. Many different challenges and opportunities were brought up during this conversation, but some of the major takeaways are summarized on page 12.

In order to capitalize on the momentum and ideas generated during the workshop, PTNY compiled a **Short-Term Recommendations** document for Rome, outlining actions that the city could take immediately to improve the trail user experience and start better capitalizing on trail tourism that same summer.

One of the recommendations that came out of the workshop was to continue to educate local businesses on the value of trail tourism. To that end, Rome continued outreach to encourage more businesses to apply to be certified as "Bike Friendly New York" businesses. As a result of these efforts, Rome now has a total of twelve Bike Friendly New York certified businesses. More information about the certification program and the participating businesses can be found on page 7.

During the second week of July, the City of Rome hosted PTNY's Cycle the Erie Canal bike tour in town. On July 13, 2023, over seven hundred cyclists spent the night at Fort Stanwix and enjoyed everything Rome had to offer, from its local

businesses to its history. The Trail Town committee coordinated a welcome committee to greet riders as they arrived in Rome at the Sports Hall of Fame, complete with snacks and a bike rack. The Rome Area Chamber of Commerce provided seamless coordination and information on-site, and local and state elected officials attended to greet the riders.

In August, Rome turned its attention to the next phase of the program, which involved taking a look at its assets with the eye of compiling them into an informational resource that trail users could use to plan their visits. PTNY used this information to inform the development of the Rome Trail Town landing page, hosted on the promotional website for the trail, www.cycletheeriecanal.com.

2023 Trail Town Wins

In response to the short-term recommendations identified by PTNY after the Placemaking and Bike Around workshops, Rome advanced several Trail Town priorities over the summer and fall of 2023:

- Purchasing and installing an electronic trail use counter for the city's trail system
- Updating the city's website with the most up-to-date maps of Rome's trail system
- Designating a primary visitor center for the city (Marinus Willett Visitor Center) and working toward making it a hub for trail users
- Installing a fix-it station and working toward the installation of a map of Rome's trail system adjacent to
- Certifying ten additional Rome businesses as Bike Friendly New York certified businesses
- Conducting an inventory of existing signage on the Erie Canalway Trail/Empire State Trail and initiating conversations to replace faded signage
- Investigating styles of modern bike racks to be installed at Jervis Library

In addition to the work undertaken in partnership with PTNY, Rome and other local partners have been working steadily to advance several projects and programs closely related to the Trail Town mission,

- Installing two community maps for wayfinding on the Erie Canalway Trail/Empire State Trail
- Selecting a contractor to rehabilitate the existing off-road section of the Erie Canalway Trail/Empire State Trail located between the Erie Canal Village Museum and South Charles Street.
- Collaborating with the North Country Trail Association to reroute the North Country Trail on the Mohawk
- Opening a new one-mile section of the Mohawk River Trail and installing new maps to represent the new
- Completing work on the pedestrian underpass under S James Street on the Erie Canalway/Empire State
- Offering regular bike tours from Fort Stanwix National Monument



Existing Conditions

About Rome

The City of Rome, NY is centrally located in New York State in Oneida County on the ancestral homelands of the Oneida Nation, part of the Haudenosaunee Confederacy. The city is positioned at an important early land bridge between main waterways. Due to its strategic location, it was considered one of the most important transportation points for people and goods moving west. Commemorated as the city where the first shovel of dirt was turned for the construction of the Erie Canal, Rome is a city full of cultural, natural, and historic gems. The city is home to many small businesses and public art installations in the Arts District on W. Dominick Street, the historic Fort Stanwix National Monument, and a growing network of open space and greenways. Rome is home to two major trails in addition to the Erie Canalway Trail/Empire State Trail - the Mohawk River Trail, a 3.5-mile trail that runs north-south through the city, as well as the North Country National Scenic Trail, stretching 4,800 miles across eight states from North Dakota to Vermont.

Destination Highlights

Fort Stanwix National Monument: Known as "the fort that never surrendered", Fort Stanwix is a colonial fort that was first built in the 1750s to guard the Oneida Carrying Place, a key trading route. Now part of the National Park Service as a National Monument, the Fort serves as a place to learn about the history and culture surrounding the Fort during its time of use and its relevance to American history.

Capitol Theatre: The Capitol Theatre remains the only building in Rome constructed for the specific purpose of exhibiting motion pictures. Although the theatre received an Art Deco face-lift in 1939, the auditorium is configured exactly as it was in 1928, and much of the original decor remains. In addition to motion pictures, the theatre hosts musical performances and other performing arts productions year round.

Mohawk River Trail: The Mohawk River Trail (MRT) connects Rome's waterfront with historical sites, commercial districts, public services, local schools, city parks, the Griffiss Business and Technology Park, and residential neighborhoods, all while offering a unique multi-use trail recreational

experience. The trail offers excellent scenic vistas of the Mohawk River and connects multiple greenways.

Griffiss International Sculpture Garden and Nature Trail: Art at Griffiss opens the door to nature, sculpture, and biodiversity, all in your own backyard. Take advantage of Central New York's premier art park by using the Sculpture Garden App to learn about world-renown artists, plant and animal life, and other amenities.

Trail Inventory

Rome has approximately 12.2 miles of the Erie Canalway Trail/Empire State Trall running through the city, 78% of which is off-road (a combination of paved and stonedust).

Map of Rome





Mohawk River Trail. Photo credit John Clifford, courtsey of Rome Sentinel.

Bike Friendly New York Certified Businesses

Launched in 2017, Bike Friendly New York (BFNY) is a bicycle friendly business certification program administered by Parks & Trails New York (PTNY) and the New York State Canal Corporation. BFNY aims to recognize and promote businesses that provide special accommodations for bicyclists. A wide range of businesses are eligible for bike-friendly certification, including restaurants and bars, lodging, shops, and museums.

Bike friendliness is not a "yes or no" quality, and the steps that businesses take to cater to cyclists vary. Above all, bike friendly businesses value cyclists as customers. Therefore, they strive to meet the unique needs of cyclists.

At the most basic level, businesses must meet the following requirements:

- Have a physical location, which is open to the general public and has hours of operation clearly posted at the location and/or online.
- Be located near, and easily accessible from, a greenway trail.
- Have an identified parking area for bicycles (this can be a public bike rack, a bike parking area in front of the business, covered and secure bike parking indoors, or another solution)



In addition, businesses must meet a few categoryspecific criteria. For example, Food and Drink Service establishments must have a menu posted outside and/or online and overnight accommodations must offer one night stays and provide covered and secured bike storage. All criteria can be found at ptny.org/bikefriendly.

Before the Trail Town program started, Rome was home to just two pioneering Bike Friendly NY businesses— Superofficial and the Copper Easel. This was not to say that more of Rome's businesses were not bike friendly. With a little outreach, ten more businesses were certified across the city that qualified to be recognized and promoted as Bike Friendly.

Bike Friendly NY Certified Businesses in Rome

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Business Name	Category
Copper City Brewing Company	Food & Drink
Rail and Canal	Food & Drink
Spressos Coffee House	Food & Drink
Franklin Hotel	Food & Drink
Franca Wine Room	Food & Drink
JoJo's Market	Food & Drink
Superofficial	Food & Drink
Fort Stanwix National Monument	Attraction/Welcome and Information Service
Rome Sports Hall of Fame and Museum	Attractions
Jervis Public Library	Welcome and Information Service
Hampton Inn & Suites Rome	Accommodation
The Copper Easel	Retail

As of November 2023

Trail Use Counts & Analysis

Collecting trail user count data is important for understanding the potential market for trail user-oriented services and amenities, as well as for understanding how and when people are using the trail so that the community can best serve their needs. PTNY estimates that the off-road portions of the Erie Canalway Trail/Empire State Trail (determined by counts at Old Erie Canal and Martin St) see between 13,000 and 23,500 visits per year. Visits to the trail may be as high as 77,000 on the on-road/sidewalk stretch of trail through Rome's downtown on West Dominick St.

Electronic Counters

Trail count data was collected using electronic counters at two locations (eastern end of Old Erie Canal State Historic Park and Martin St) and through manual spot counts at three locations (Old Erie Canal, W. Dominick St, and Martin St). The electronic trail counters used infrared pyroelectric technology to count the people passing within range of the sensor by detecting body temperature, and collected data 24 hours a day at one hour intervals for the period it was installed. The Martin Street counter was purchased by the City of Rome after the start of the program and was installed in July.

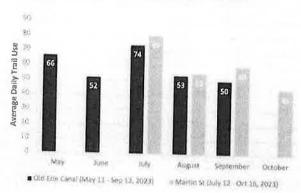
Annual Trail Use Estimate

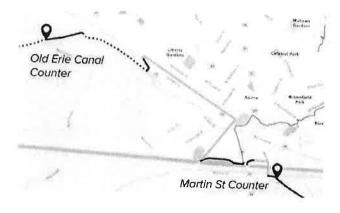
By applying extrapolation methodology to the available electronic trail use data, PTNY estimates that the trail sees approximately 14,600 annual visits at the Old Erie Canal site and 16,000 at the Martin St site.

Trail Use by Month

Analysis was conducted on the trail use data to determine trends across different time scales. Trail use was consistent throughout the summer and into the fall, with a bump in July, likely reflecting when Cycle the Erie Canal came through Rome with hundreds of cyclists.

Average Daily Trail Use by Month



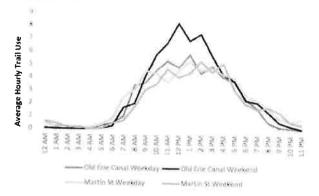


	Old Er (May 11 - S	ie Canal ep 12, 2023)	Martin St (July 12 - Oct 16, 2023)		
Month	Monthly Use	Daily Average	Monthly Use	Daily Average	
May (part)	1,390	66		- any Average	
June	1,550	52			
July (part for Martin St)	2,286	74	4.507		
August	1,657		1,607	80	
September (part for Old Erie Canal)		53	1,708	65	
October (part)	601	50	1,794	50	
Recorded Total	d out to the state of		718	45	
A TOTAL CONTROL SON	7484	60	5,827	60	
Estimated Annual Use	14,686	40	16,080	54	

Trail Use by Day of Week & Time of Day

At the Old Erie Canal counting site, the trail was used more on weekends than on weekdays. At the Martin Street counting site, trail use was similar on weekdays and weekends. Across all days, use peaked in the middle of the day. These trends indicate that the trail is most likely used for recreational purposes rather than commuting. It should be noted that the days that Cycle the Erie Canal passed through Rome (7/13/23 at Old Erie Canal and 7/14/23 at Martin St) were removed from the data set for the average hourly analysis.

Average Hourly Trail Use (Weekday vs Weekend)



Manual Counts

Manual counts were conducted by volunteers who made ticks on a clipboard for each passing trail user for two-hour periods according to the guidelines established for **observational counts**. This data was then used to inform breakdown by mode use and estimate longer periods of trail use using the National Bicycle and Pedestrian Documentation Project (NBPD) **extrapolation methodology**,

Manual volunteer trail counts were used to provide an additional level of detail to this analysis— namely the breakdown of trail use by mode at different locations along the trail. It is clear that the off-road sections of trail at either end of the city (Old Erie Canal and Martin St) see higher percentages of cyclists. Dominick St, as the principal thoroughfare of Rome's downtown, saw a higher percentage of pedestrians. It should be noted that this data is limited to four, two-hour counting windows and the counts at the various locations were not necessarily completed on the same day, making direct comparison difficult.

The manual counts were also used to inform an annual use estimate, calculated using the NBPD extrapolation methodology. The annual use estimate at the Old Erie Canal location is relatively consistent with the estimated annual use extrapolated from the electronic counter at this site, putting trail usage between 13,000 and 14,600. Manual counting was the only methodology applied to West Dominick St, but as a major pedestrian and cycling thoroughfare, it is reasonable to estimate that W. Dominick may see as many as 77,000 pedestrians and cyclists per year. At the Martin St location, the estimate calculated from the manual count data predicts a higher annual trail usage than the electronic trail counter by about 7,000. It is likely that the Martin St stretch of trail sees closer to 16,000 than 23,000 visits per year, since the electronic counter estimate is based on more data.

Location	Dates	Bicyclists		Pedestrians		Other		Total	Estimated	
		Count	Pct.	Count	Pct.	Count	Pct.	Counted	Annual Use	
Old Erie Canal	8/2/2023; 8/5/2023; 8/9/2023; 8/12/2023	33	79%	9	21%	0	0%	42	13,320	
W. Dominick St	8/1/2023; 8/5/2023; 8/8/2023; 8/12/2023	71	31%	161	69%	0	0%	232	77,547	
Martin St	8/3/2023; 8/6/2023; 8/10/2023; 8/13/2023	53	83%	9	14%	2	3%	64	23,501	

Old Erie Canal Breakdown by Mode

Martin St Breakdown by Mode

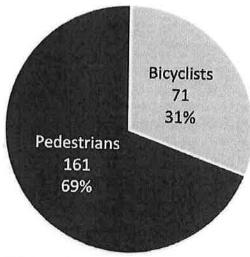


Bicyclists 33 79%



Bicyclists 53 83%

W Dominick St Breakdown by Mode



Conducting a manual count at the Martin St counting site. Photo courtesy of Kevin Wyrick



Visitor Promotional Resources

Promotion of available services and amenities is crucial for connecting visiting cyclists to the information they need in order to enjoy their stay. In recent years, Rome has invested significant resources in promoting itself as a great place to live, work and play and has some strong marketing materials. That said, there are currently no resources specifically targeted at reaching visiting trail users.

The City of Rome has a page on its website for Visitors with a letter from the Mayor, however it does not mention the Erie Canalway Trail/Empire State Trail or other trail systems in the city. Under Visitors, there is a page dedicated to Leisure and Attractions, with lists of places to explore or things to do while in Rome. On this list, there is a link that directs to a dedicated Trailway Systems page, which is also linked to under Parks and Recreation. This page has some information about the trails available in the area, like the Mohawk River Trail and the NY Canals Map. It currently does not link to

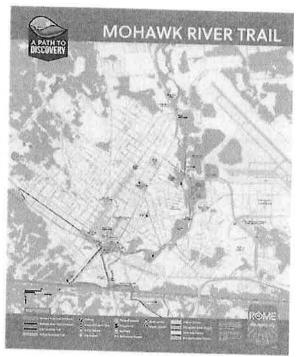
larger statewide trail systems like the Cycle the Erie Canal trail map, the Empire State Trail map, nor the North Country Trail map, nor does it provide any information about the Gifford Sculpture Trail. While not comprehensive, this page is well-positioned to be a clearinghouse of information for trail users in Rome.

The Rome Area Chamber of Commerce invests significant resources into developing materials for visiting cyclists when Cycle the Erie Canal riders stay the night at Fort Stanwix. There is the potential for more collaboration and use of these resources throughout the year.

As part of the Empire State Trail Town program, a promotional webpage highlighting Rome as a Trail Town was developed on cycletheeriecanal.com. The page highlights what makes Rome unique, trail access and visitor information, and provides an interactive map of the city.



Map of restaurants within walking distance of downtown Rome/Fort Stanwix presented at Cycle the Erie Canal.



Freshly updated map depicting the full extent of the Mohawk River Trail, available on the City of Rome's "Trailway Systems" webpage.

Overall Assessment

Through the Trail Town Self-Assessment, the public Placemaking Workshop, and the PTNY-led Bike Around ride and assessment, strengths and areas for improvement were identified. The results of these conversations and assessments are summarized below, and helped inform this plan's recommendations.

Strengths

- Rome is home to many significant periods of history, from the indigenous history to the Revolutionary War, to the Erie Canal and beyond
- The city has significant momentum going toward revitalizing the downtown and making the city more walkable/bikeable (See Rome Rises project page for ongoing initiatives)
- Rome benefits from strong partnerships, especially with Fort Stanwix National Monument (National Park Service), which hosts bike tours and is installing a new fix-it station and trail kiosks
- The current route of the Erie Canalway Trail/ Empire State Trail passes right through downtown and past many businesses
- Rome is home to several trail systems, including the local Mohawk River Trail which expanded this year and is planned to expand again in 2024, and the North Country Trail, which is in the process of being re-routed to align with the Mohawk River Trail
- There are many enthusiastic businesses that are interested in building community around the trail
- Many local events and festivals exist that celebrate Rome's heritage and building community
- Rome has a strong social media presence on Facebook and Instagram
- There is an Amtrak train station right next to the trail
- There are many opportunities for trail users to find information and use the restroom in Rome, especially during the tourism season (modern Navigation Center at Bellamy Harbor Park, Fort Stanwix National Monument, Rome Sports Hall of Fame)

Areas for Improvement

- Wayfinding on the trail is confusing, particularly in regards to faded and sometimes unclear signage. Significant areas for improvement include:
- Through the gravel work area near the Erie Canal Village
- Along Erie Blvd between S Charles St and W Dominick St, including crossing of Erie Blvd
- Crossing of Erie Blvd on N. James St
- The Mohawk River Trail does not have a consistent trail user experience, with a concrete/sidewalk surface and some overgrown vegetation. It is also marked as "on-road" between Bellamy Harbor Park and Brooks Rd on trail wayfinding maps, even though it is off-road.
- A significant portion of the Erie Canalway Trail/Empire State Trail is currently on-road, increasing the potential conflict with vehicles especially at the two locations where the route crosses Erie Blvd
- There is a lack of bike parking, especially in the downtown business corridor
- It is not clear that the Navigation Center is open to trail users. No signage directing trail users to it or identifying what it is.
- There is no signage at the Rome Sports Hall of Fame to let trail users know they are welcome to come in.
- There are no thru-trail user camping amenities
- Some overnight lodging accommodations have been reported to be less than desirable
- Construction on trail, while positive in the long term as Rome improves the trail user experience, presented challenges.
- Rome does not have a comprehensive on- and off-road active transportation network around the city.

Recommendations

Short Term Recommendations

Strategies that can be implemented with minimal lead time before or during the next tourism season.

1. Replace and augment existing Erie Canalway Trail/Empire State Trail wayfinding signage to provide clear routing through the city.

- Coordinate with NYS Canal Corporation's Trail Manager, NYS OPRHP's Statewide Trails Program Planner, and the NYS DOT Region 2 Bike/Pedestrian Coordinator to identify a path forward to replace faded Erie Canalway Trail signs and add additional Empire State Trail signs and arrows where necessary.
- Until this signage is updated, use temporary wayfinding guidance such as sandwich boards, lawn signs, or temporary paint at critical junctions that have historically caused confusion for trail users.
- Consider creating a Trail Ambassador program to welcome visitors to the area and help direct them. This program would be organized and led by the Volunteer Trail Town Advocacy Committee.

Faded and damaged signage where the trail turns onto Mill Street. Photo credit David Hinman.



2. Seek to expand low-cost or free overnight options for visiting trail users.

- Continue to coordinate with the Rome Erie
 Canal Marina to permit single-night biker/
 hiker camping and promote the availability of
 this option through the Marina's website, local
 platforms and statewide methods. Submit the
 site to PTNY to be included on their online maps
 using this form.
- Explore additional opportunities for camping on both public and private land. Consider reaching out to towns like Newark and Brockport to learn about their experience allowing camping on municipal property. If land to be considered is owned by Canal Corporation, include them in conversations to see if a permit is needed.
- Encourage local members of the community to join Warmshowers, a reciprocal hospitality website and app for touring cyclists by promoting it on the City's social media and website and partner platforms.

3. Continue to educate Rome's visitororiented business about the benefits of bike-friendliness and encourage them to implement bike-friendly infrastructure and policies.

- Use the Rome Area Chamber of Commerce's platform and individual site visits, potentially by designated ambassadors, to communicate the benefits of Bike Friendly NY certification (attracting more trail users, listing on PTNY's Rome Trail Town landing page and map, visual identification through window decal) and help businesses apply.
- Encourage businesses to signal that they value trail users by "putting a bike on it." This can look like anything from bicycle-related storefront displays, a beer, ice cream, or sandwich named

to commemorate the trail, bike or trail-themed souvenirs, or other little details. These visual cues will help trail users know that they are welcome.

4. Expand the bike parking network downtown.

- Pursue creative sources of funding for additional bike parking in the city including investigating potential partners and sponsors in healthrelated industries such as hospitals or insurance providers (ex. Excellus Health and Wellness Awards).
- Look for ways to find discounts on bike racks for business owners.
- Seek artists or welders who might be willing to craft the racks themselves.
- Incorporate the annual purchase of at least one multi-space bike rack into the City budget.

5. Enhance and promote Rome's visitor information centers.

- Continue to advertise Fort Stanwix's Visitor
 Center as the primary Welcome and Information
 Center for cyclists and hikers
 - Make sure Fort Stanwix staff is educated about what cyclists need to know, including keeping them up to date on trail closures/detours, where to stay, other things to do in the area.
 - Continue to advertise the bike pump and repair station, and have patch kits on hand.
- Advertise the Navigation Center as a location for public bathrooms and showers. Include wayfinding signage around the Navigation Center to increase awareness and use.
- Continue to work with the Rome Sports Hall of Fame and Museum to welcome trail users on the west side of the city by formalizing trail user use of the parking lot, promoting availability of restrooms, and creating signage that encourages trail users to visit the museum.

Create dedicated content for visiting trail users for use in online and print materials.

- Expand the "Trails" page on Rome's website to feature additional information for local or visiting trail users, including information about and links to Rome's Trail Town landing page, www.CycletheErieCanal.com, the Empire State Trail website, the North Country Trail, and the Mohawk River Trail, and the Griffis Sculpture Trail. This page may also include information for where to stay in Rome (featuring Bike Friendly NY certified accommodations, camping, air bnb, warm showers etc.), transportation (if there are any long-term parking options for trail users who want to use Rome as a home base for exploring, long-distance transportation options like Amtrak), and sources of visitor information. Some of this content can be pulled directly from the Trail Town landing page.
- Develop a printed "trail guide" to Rome, with information about Rome's three main trails—the Erie Canalway Trail/Empire State Trail, Mohawk River Trail, and North Country Trail and visitor information. Determine physical locations where these printed trail guides should be placed and who is responsible for checking on them/ printing/restocking them.
- Consider how Erie Canalway boaters fit into the promotion of these resources and amenities, and if they have any specific needs that should be considered.

6. Promote community involvement and investment in the ECT/EST.

- Adopt all of the available stretches of the Erie Canalway Trail/Empire State Trail through Rome. These stretches include Erie Canal Village to S. Charles Street, Rome, South James Street to Canal Street, Rome, and Edge of NYS Routes 49/365 right of way to Erie Boulevard/Route 69, Oriskany. These sections can be adopted together or in segments. Refer to PTNY's Adopta-Trail website for program guidelines.
- Encourage residents to engage with the trail by taking and posting pictures and interacting with visiting trail users.

Long Term Recommendations

Strategies that require increased investment may just require a longer time to be accomplished (2-5 years)

1. Implement pedestrian-scale wayfinding signage along the ECT/EST and along the MRT to better connect trail users with Rome's amenities and businesses in the downtown main street areas.

The NYS Canal Corporation is developing a set of design guidelines. Any signage to be installed on Canal Corporation-owned land should be coordinated with Canal Corporation and be in accordance with these design guidelines, expected to be released in 2024.

- Continue to implement the pedestrian aspects of the Erie Boulevard BOA Downtown and Waterfront Wayfinding Strategy and Design Plan (2018) to connect trail users at Bellamy Harbor Park with amenities and Rome's downtown main street areas.
 - Review the existing plan and recommendations, and consider additional wayfinding destinations, like the Navigation Center, that may not have been included in the Wayfinding Plan.
- Encourage discussions with Fort Stanwix to install signage on the Fort grounds that would better connect the Erie Canalway Trail/Empire State Trail with the Mohawk River Trail.

2. Design and install educational wayside exhibits/interpretive signage on the ECT/ EST throughout Rome.

 Work with local relevant stakeholder groups to determine content, quantity, and location of educational signage to interpret the many layers of Rome's history. See page 2-16 of the Empire State Trail Design Guide for design and placement recommendations.

3. Continue to develop gateways on the ECT/EST at the west and east entrances to the city to invite trail users to visit.

Gateway elements can include public art, landscaping, community wayfinding signage, kiosks with bulletin boards, and improved amenities and infrastructure to make it clear that trail visitors are welcome.

Approaching from the west:

Erie Canal Village and/or South Charles Street

 Create trailhead parking lots at Erle Canal Village and S Charles St. Designate one of these trailheads as the western "gateway" to the city, with additional gateway elements to welcome trail users.

Approaching from the east

Bellamy Harbor Park

 Let trail users know they have arrived in Rome when they reach Bellamy Harbor Park. Seek to include the Navigation Center as part of this gateway and create signage or other elements that make it clear that it is available for trail users.

Martin Street

- Take advantage of the directly trail-adjacent Amtrak station with signage and other gateway elements.
- Promote local businesses at the gateways on city-owned property.
 - Consider creating a system that allows businesses to pay to advertise at the trailheads via brochures, kiosks, or another way, and designate an agency/group to manage the system. A bulletin board or kiosk may be a good option.

4. Establish an off-road route for the Erie Canalway Trail/Empire State Trail utilizing Muck Rd. and the abandoned rail corridor.

- Pursue funding to develop an off-road greenway trail from S. Charles St to Muck Road.
- If this is pursued and achieved, begin thinking about ways to continue to encourage trail users to get off the trail and visit Rome's downtown business districts.

5. Standardize the trail user experience on the Mohawk River Trail between Bellamy Harbor Park and Brook Street to meet current greenway trail design guidelines and match the rest of the Mohawk River Trail experience.

- Replace the narrow sidewalk from Jasper St to Brook St with AASHTO compliant trail consistent with the Empire State Trail Design Guidelines.
- Ensure that encroaching vegetation along the trail is trimmed and prevented from blocking the trail.
- Encourage discussions between the City and Fort Stanwix to improve and enlarge the walkway along the Fort
- Promote the Mohawk River Trail as an alternative route for accessing the businesses and amenities in Rome's downtown and main streets areas from the ECT/EST in Bellamy Harbor Park through wayfinding signage and other promotional methods.

6. Pursue an Active Transportation plan for Rome.

 Develop a plan to connect Rome's many trail corridors to its neighborhoods and business districts with on- and off-road bicycle infrastructure.



The Mohawk River Trail does not provide a standardized "multi-use trail" experience and is subject to overgrown vegetation.

Implementation

It doesn't do any good for a plan to just sit on a shelf, so Rome has identified a series of next steps to keep the Empire State Trail Town momentum moving forward.

» Rome commits to Empire State Trail Town action agenda

The City will pass a resolution to formally recognize the Action Agenda. The City will also have a staff liaison on the advocacy group to help advance items on the Action Agenda.

The Trail Town Steering Committee identifies a sustainable path forward

Once Rome becomes a certified Trail Town, the Trail Town Committee will shift to a volunteer advocacy group that is recognized by the City (via a resolution) and run by volunteers. Members of the existing Trail Town Committee will be invited to transfer to the new advocacy group and other community members/cyclists/bike friendly business owners will be invited to join. The advocacy group will meet frequently at first while it establishes itself and the structure, and will then determine a regular interval at which to meet. There will be one or two advocacy group chairs who will organize the meetings who will also be the primary contacts with PTNY.

The advocacy group will likely include the following representatives:

- Dave Hinman- Co-chair (resident)
- Bobbie O'Brien- Co-chair (Rome Rotary)
- Danielle Salisbury (City of Rome)
- Amanda (Kaier) Whalen (MVEDD)
- Aaron Wade (Engaged Resident and Software Guru)
- Sarah Foster Calero (Oneida County Tourism)
- Shondel Beverly (Oneida County Tourism)
- Jen Martin (C&D Advertising)
- Assemblymember Marianne Buttenschon (NYS Assembly District 119)
- Kevin Wyrick (Fort Stanwix National Park)
- Lisa Matt (Jervis Public Library)
- lan Greasley (Engaged Resident/ Strong Towns)
- Adam Prescott Chrisman(local business owner)
- Jon Matwegic-Walda (local business owner)

Once formed, the advocacy group will begin to decide how to implement the recommendations. Some of the short-term recommendations are already in progress. Wayfinding signage and bike parking seem to be the most commonly discussed themes and are viewed as a higher priority among the short-term goals and would likely be the first to be implemented. Likely, the advocacy group will need sub-committees who will be in charge of moving specific recommendations forward, both long-term and short-term. Additionally, the advocacy group will reach out to other towns along the canal (Trail Towns and others) for ideas and advice.

Funding is secured to advance Trail Town projects

Potential funding sources could include:

- Community Foundation of Herkimer and Oneida Counties
- Federal Land Access Program (FLAP)
- NYS Canal System Tourism Infrastructure and Events Grants
- 2023 TAP/CMAQ/CRP
- New York State Consolidated Funding Application
- Department of State
- Bloomberg Philanthropies
- Rails-to-Trails Conservancy
- Project for Public Spaces Community Placemaking Grants
- League of American Bicyclists Community Spark Grants
- People for Bikes
- Local funds

The City and Advocacy Group communicate Empire State Trail Town successes and progress

The City's social media (and encourage partners to share as well), City's website, and a press release will be utilized to communicate Rome's certification and progress on the Action Agenda to the public.

» Rome maintains Empire State Trail Town designation

Rome continues to meet Trail Town criteria as set forth in the Empire State Trail Town handbook.

Prior to each tourism season (April of each year), the Trail Town steering committee verifies with PTNY that the information on the Trail Town landing page is accurate.

Each year, PTNY will host a virtual meeting for all Trail Towns to provide updates about the Empire State Trail and Trail Town initiative and allow Trail Towns to share progress on their action agendas. Rome submits a brief written update prior to the meeting and sends at least one representative.



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Parks & Trails New York (PTNY) is New York's leading statewide advocate for parks and trails, dedicated since 1985 to improving our health, economy, and quality of life through the use and enjoyment of green space. PTNY works to expand, protect, and promote a network of parks, trails, and open spaces throughout our state for use and enjoyment by all. For more information, visit www.ptny.org.



About the New York State Canal Corporation

The New York State Canal Corporation runs the New York State Canal System, which includes the Erie, Champlain, Oswego and Cayuga-Seneca canals. Spanning 524 miles, the waterway links the Hudson River with the Great Lakes, the Finger Lakes and Lake Champlain. In 2017, the Canal Corporation celebrated the 200th anniversary of the groundbreaking for the Erie Canal, which occurred in the city of Rome on July 4, 1817. The Canal System includes the Canalway Trails, a network of approximately 420 miles of multiple-use trails across upstate New York. The Canalway Trails follows the towpaths of both active and historic sections of the New York State Canal System as well as adjacent abandoned rail corridors. Together, the canals and trails create a world-class recreationway that is a vibrant, scenic, and unique New York resource. To learn more about the New York State Canal and Canalway Trail System or to obtain a free map, please call 1-800-4CANAL4 or visit the Canal Corporation's website at www.canals.ny.gov.

Rome Waterway and Trails Advocacy Group

Member List January 2024

Name	Organization
Dave Hinman	Engaged Resident (RWTAG Co-Chair)
Bobbie O' Brien	Rome Rotary Club/ Rome Historical Society (RWTAG Co-Chair)
Danielle Salisbury	City of Rome
Amanda Kaier	Mohawk Valley Economic Development District
Aaron Wade	Engaged Resident/ Software Guru
Sarah Calero	Oneida County Tourism
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Adam Prescott	Copper Easel/ Art Association
lon Matwegic-Walda	Superofficial/ Capitol Theatre
Lisa Matte	Jervis Library
Marianne Buttenschon	NYS Assemblymember
ake DiBari	Positively Rome
Bonnie Sanderson	Engaged Resident
im Cusack	Engaged Resident
eo Capoccia	Engaged Resident
Bill Fahey	Engaged Resident

Certified Bike Friendly Businesses

Business	Address
JoJo's Market	601 W. Dominick St.
França's Wine Room	260 W. Dominick St.
The Copper Easel	216 W. Dominick St.
Superofficial	216 W. Dominick St.
Fort Stanwix National Monument	100 N James St.
Franklin Hotel	301 S. James St.
Copper City Brewing Company	1111 Oneida St.
Hampton Inn & Suites	1352 Floyd Ave.
Spresso's Coffee House	160 Brooks Rd
Jervis Public Library	613 N Washington St
Rome Sports Hall of Fame and Museum	5790 Rome New London Rd

<u>Name</u>

Rome Waterways and Trails Advocacy Group (RWTAG)

RWTAG Mission Statement

The purpose of Rome Waterways & Trails Advocacy Group (RWTAG) is to promote and preserve the significant locations, natural resources, and heritage associated with the cultural, historical, and industrialization events that occurred around Rome and the Erie Canalway and to provide opportunities for visitor and community understanding, appreciation, recreational use, and economic development.

COMMON COUNCIL MARCH 13, 2024

RESOLUTION NO. 46

DESIGNATING THE COMMON COUNCIL AS LEAD AGENCY FOR THE STATE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY REVIEW (SEQR) AS IT PERTAINS TO THE WEST DOMINICK STREET ART INSTALLATION PROJECT AND ISSUING A NEGATIVE DECLARATION AS THIS PROJECT HAS BEEN DETERMINED TO BE AN UNLISTED ACTION FOR SEQR.

By Councilor ____:

WHEREAS, the City has determined that the proposed West Dominick Street Art Installation project is an Unlisted Action under SEQRA; and
WHEREAS, the City has reviewed the proposed project and Part 1 of the Full Environmental Assessment Form; now, therefore
BE IT RESOLVED, that the Common Council of the City of Rome, New York hereby proposes to act as SEQRA Lead Agency for purposes of SEQR review regarding the West Dominick Street Art Installation project; and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Common Council of the City of Rome, New York hereby issues a negative declaration for the West Dominick Street Art Installation project as the project will not have a negative impact on the environment
Seconded by Councilor
AYES & NAYS: Sparace Mortise Fazio Smith Anderson Dursi Sbaraglia
ADOPTED DEFEATED

Short Environmental Assessment Form Part 1 - Project Information

Instructions for Completing

Part 1 – Project Information. The applicant or project sponsor is responsible for the completion of Part 1. Responses become part of the application for approval or funding, are subject to public review, and may be subject to further verification. Complete Part 1 based on information currently available. If additional research or investigation would be needed to fully respond to any item, please answer as thoroughly as possible based on current information.

Complete all items in Part 1. You may also provide any additional information which you believe will be needed by or useful to the lead agency; attach additional pages as necessary to supplement any item.

Part 1 - Project and Sponsor Information				
City of Rome				
Name of Action or Project:				
W. Dominick Street Art Walk Art Installation				
Project Location (describe, and attach a location map):				
200 Block of W. Dominick Street, Rome, NY 13440				
Brief Description of Proposed Action:				
The City of Rome will site additional art installations on City Green and within the City right-of enhance the Art Walk Corridor in the West Dominick Street Arts District. The art pieces will condisturbance and include site landscaping.	-way at the W. Dominick St ar onsist of resin sculptures on ba	nd James St. intersection to ases and will require ground		
Name of Applicant or Sponsor:	Telephone: 315-339-7628	3		
City of Rome- Matt Andrews	E-Mail: mandrews@romecitygov.com			
Address:		zakygov.com		
198 N. Washington St.				
City/PO:	State:	Zip Code:		
Rome	NY	13440		
 Does the proposed action only involve the legislative adoption of a plan, loca administrative rule, or regulation? 	l law, ordinance,	NO YES		
If Yes, attach a narrative description of the intent of the proposed action and the environmental resources that may be affected in the municipality and proceed to Part 2. If no, continue to question 2.				
2. Does the proposed action require a permit, approval or funding from any other		NO YES		
If Yes, list agency(s) name and permit or approval: NYS DOS and NYS HCR				
3. a. Total acreage of the site of the proposed action? b. Total acreage to be physically disturbed? c. Total acreage (project site and any contiguous properties) owned or controlled by the applicant or project sponsor?	0.03 acres 0.03 acres 2.75 acres			
4. Check all land uses that occur on, are adjoining or near the proposed action:				
✓ Urban ☐ Rural (non-agriculture) ☐ Industrial ☐ Commercia	al 🔽 Residential (subur	·ban)		
Forest Agriculture Aquatic Other(Spec	cify):			
Parkland				

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5 In the managed action	NIO	MEG	NT/A
5. Is the proposed action,	NO	YES	N/A
a. A permitted use under the zoning regulations?		\checkmark	
b. Consistent with the adopted comprehensive plan?		V	
		NO	YES
6. Is the proposed action consistent with the predominant character of the existing built or natural landscape?	9		
		Ш	V
7. Is the site of the proposed action located in, or does it adjoin, a state listed Critical Environmental Area?		NO	YES
If Yes, identify:		V	
		NO	YES
8. a. Will the proposed action result in a substantial increase in traffic above present levels?		7	
b. Are public transportation services available at or near the site of the proposed action?			片
c. Are any pedestrian accommodations or bicycle routes available on or near the site of the proposed		믐	V
action?		Ш	V
9. Does the proposed action meet or exceed the state energy code requirements?		NO	YES
If the proposed action will exceed requirements, describe design features and technologies:			
		V	
10. Will the proposed action connect to an existing public/private water supply?		NO	YES
If No, describe method for providing potable water:			
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11. Will the proposed action connect to existing wastewater utilities?		NO	YES
If No, describe method for providing wastewater treatment:			
		\checkmark	
12. a. Does the project site contain, or is it substantially contiguous to, a building, archaeological site, or district which is listed on the National or State Register of Historic Places, or that has been determined by the	:t	NO	YES
Commissioner of the NYS Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation to be eligible for listing on the	;		✓
State Register of Historic Places?			
b. Is the project site, or any portion of it, located in or adjacent to an area designated as sensitive for archaeological sites on the NY State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) archaeological site inventory?		1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	
13. a. Does any portion of the site of the proposed action, or lands adjoining the proposed action, contain		NO	YES
wetlands or other waterbodies regulated by a federal, state or local agency?			
b. Would the proposed action physically alter, or encroach into, any existing wetland or waterbody?		V	
If Yes, identify the wetland or waterbody and extent of alterations in square feet or acres:			
		No IFE	
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14. Identify the typical habitat types that occur on, or are likely to be found on the project site. Check all that apply:		
Shoreline Forest Agricultural/grasslands Early mid-successional		
☐ Wetland ☑ Urban ☐ Suburban		
15. Does the site of the proposed action contain any species of animal, or associated habitats, listed by the State or	NO	YES
Federal government as threatened or endangered?		✓
16. Is the project site located in the 100-year flood plan?	NO	YES
	\checkmark	
17. Will the proposed action create storm water discharge, either from point or non-point sources?	NO	YES
If Yes,	\checkmark	
a. Will storm water discharges flow to adjacent properties?	V	
b. Will storm water discharges be directed to established conveyance systems (runoff and storm drains)?	\checkmark	
If Yes, briefly describe:		17
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18. Does the proposed action include construction or other activities that would result in the impoundment of water or other liquids (e.g., retention pond, waste lagoon, dam)?	NO	YES
If Yes, explain the purpose and size of the impoundment:		
19. Has the site of the proposed action or an adjoining property been the location of an active or closed solid waste	NO	YES
management facility?	NO	1123
If Yes, describe:		
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20.Has the site of the proposed action or an adjoining property been the subject of remediation (ongoing or	NO	YES
completed) for hazardous waste? If Yes, describe:		
I CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION PROVIDED ABOVE IS TRUE AND ACCURATE TO THE BE MY KNOWLEDGE	EST OF	
Applicant/sponsor/name:		
Signature:Title:		

HOUSING TRUST FUND CORPORATION Environmental Compliance Checklist

Office of Community Renewal (OCR) state funded programs including:

Adirondack Community Housing Trust (ACHT), Buffalo Main Streets Initiative (BMSI), Community

Controlled Affordable Housing (CCAH), OCR Managed Downtown Revitalization Initiative (DRI), Land

Bank Initiative (LBI) New York Main Street (NYMS).

Local Program Administrator (LPA): City of Rome

Funding DRI Project Municipality: Rome, NY

Program:

SHARS ID: 20180139 Project County: Oneida

Review Type: Site Specific Project Address (if site specific): 200 block of W. Dominick

Street

Identify other HCR funding sources planned for project below:

Compliance Area	Attachments Included	Compliance Procedures
A. <u>Historic/Cultural Resources</u> : Section 14.09 of the Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation Law.	\boxtimes	The SHPO No Adverse Impact determination is attached.
B. <u>Flood Plains</u> : 6 NYCRR Part 502, Floodplain Management Criteria for State Projects.		The project is not within a SFHA. A copy of the FIRM map, with the Panel Number and Effective Date is included.
C. Zoning: C1. Projects must conform to local land use plans and receive all necessary zoning and site plan approvals and permits.		The project will occur on City owned right- of-way and is therefore not subject to local zoning laws. See attached Memo to File.
C2. Projects that result in a change in the building use must be identified.		N/A No buildings are involved in the project.
D. <u>Coastal Zones</u> : 19 NYCRR Part 600, Coastal Zone Management		The project site is not located within the coastal zone as documented in the attached coastal zone boundary map
E. <u>Site Contamination</u> - <i>Hazardous Materials:</i> Projects funded under the Program must be free of hazardous materials which could affect the health and safety of occupants or conflict with the intended utilization of the property.		An environmental professional has certified that the project site is free of hazardous materials, contamination, toxic chemicals and gases, and radioactive substances. Documentation is attached.
F. Lead Based Paint: All activities impacting dwelling units or child occupied facilities must be free from the hazards posed by lead-based paint. Refer to the Program Policy for Lead-Based Paint.		N/A No buildings are involved in the project.
G. <u>Asbestos Containing Materials</u> NYS Department of Labor at 12 NYCRR Part 56		N/A No buildings are involved in the project.
H. <u>Radon</u> EPA map of Radon Zones; EPA Radon Mitigation Standards		The project does not include construction or rehabilitation of residential units or common areas.

I. Wetlands: 6 NYCRR Part 663, Freshwater Wetlands Permit Requirements and, Section 404 of the Clean Water Act	The project is entirely within an urban, built- up area.
J. Endangered Species: 6 NYCRR Part 182, Endangered and Threatened Species	The project involves new construction, ground disturbance and/or tree cutting. The project site is within an area of listed plant or animal species. The Environmental Assessment Form (EAF) Mapper documentation is attached. An official species list from the US Fish and Wildlife Service Information for Planning and Consultation tool is attached.
K. <u>Agricultural Districts</u> : Agriculture and Markets Law Article 25-AA, Sections 303 and 304, Agricultural Districts	The project does not involve any activities with potential to convert farmland to nonargricultural use and does not require an Agricultural Data Statement.
L. Smart Growth: 2019 and later NYMS contracts must complete the Smart Growth Criteria Form and confirm outcome.	No aspect of the project to be funded by any funding source, including NYSHCR/HTFC: (i) involve the acquisition, new construction of, or expansion or reconstruction of infrastructure such as roads, sewers, water lines or sidewalks; and (ii) such infrastructure is open and accessible to the public; and, (iii) such infrastructure is not owned and used solely by the project.

Individual site-specific checklists may require more detailed supporting documentation and review in circumstances such as:

- substantial improvement in a flood zone;
- projects in, or adjacent to, Agricultural Districts;
- work on a building determined by SHPO to have historic or cultural significance;
- ground disturbance, new construction, or tree cutting;
- zoning changes;
- a change in actual building use (whether or not this change is locally regulated);
- acquisition, new construction of, or expansion or reconstruction of infrastructure;
- if the work constitutes a SEQR Unlisted action.

Certification

I am authorized to execute contract materials for the program award to the Local Program Administrator (LPA) named above. I have read this Checklist and by signing this document agree with the statements made herein and agree that: (1) site specific checklists will be prepared and submitted to the OCR for each project site and additional documentation will be provided as necessary for the circumstances listed above; (2) project activities will be conducted in conformance with the described compliance procedures; (3) an environmental determination letter or approval from OCR will be received before taking any physical action on a site or incurring costs related to a specific activity; (4) costs incurred for activities completed prior to the SEQR determination and submission of the site-specific checklist will not be eligible for reimbursement; and (5) if any circumstances of project activities change, altering compliance language and/or required procedures herein, a new Checklist or Smart Growth Criteria Form will be provided.

Signature:			
Printed Name:		Prepared by:	<u>ş</u>
Title:	. 	Title:	
Date:		Phone:	<u> </u>
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KATHY HOCHUL

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Commissioner

January 19, 2024

Danielle Salisbury Planner City of Rome 198 N Washington Street Rome, NY 13440

Re: HCR/HTFC (S)
W. Dominick Street Art Walk Art Installation city of Rome, Oneida County, NY 24PR00462

Dear Danielle Salisbury:

Thank you for requesting the comments of the Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation (OPRHP). We have reviewed the project in accordance with the New York State Historic Preservation Act of 1980 (Section 14.09 of the New York Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation Law). These comments are those of the OPRHP and relate only to Historic/Cultural resources. They do not include potential environmental impacts to New York State Parkland that may be involved in or near your project. Such impacts must be considered as part of the environmental review of the project pursuant to the State Environmental Quality Review Act (New York Environmental Conservation Law Article 8) and its implementing regulations (6 NYCRR Part 617).

Based upon this review, it is the opinion of OPRHP that no properties, including archaeological and/or historic resources, listed in or eligible for the New York State and National Registers of Historic Places will be impacted by this project.

If further correspondence is required regarding this project, please be sure to refer to the OPRHP Project Review (PR) number noted above.

Sincerely,

R. Daniel Mackay

Deputy Commissioner for Historic Preservation Division for Historic Preservation

rev: E. Czernecki

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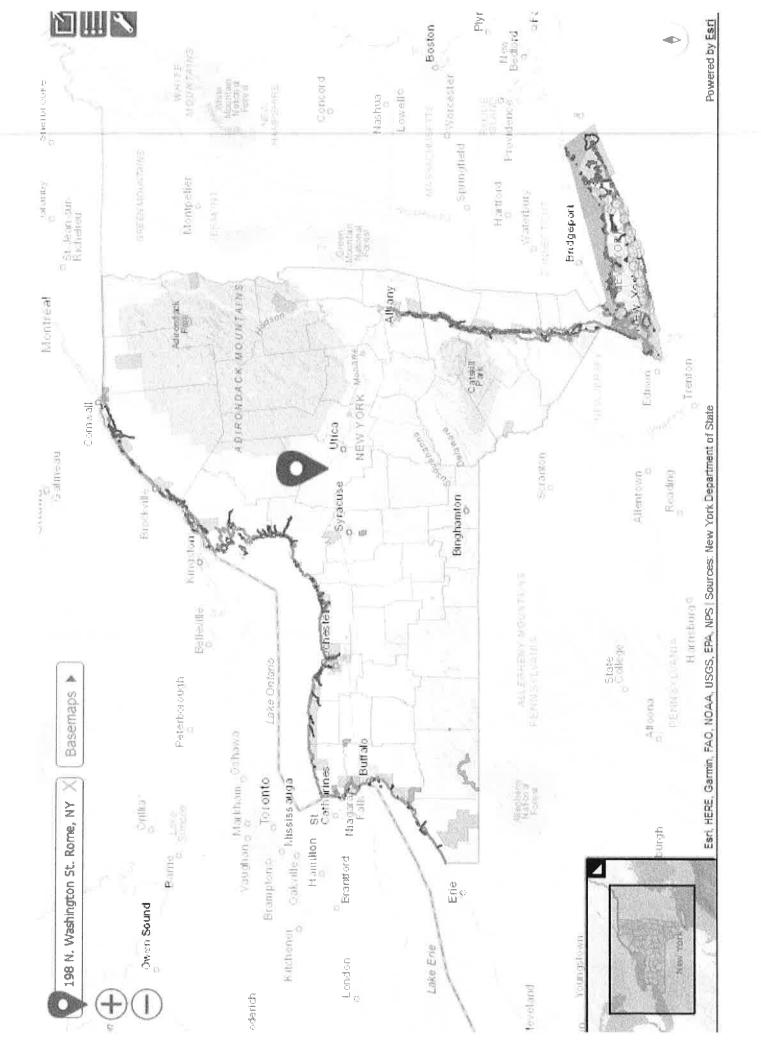
Date: January 19, 2024

To: File

From: Matthew J. Andrews, Deputy Director

Re: NYS Homes and Community Renewal DRI Public Art Zoning Compliance

Please let this memo serve as official correspondence regarding the zoning compliance for the public art installation project along the 200 block of West Dominick Street. All candidate locations for the public art installations will be installed within the public right of way of West Dominick Street and are not subject to local zoning compliance as per guidance from the zoning office. Public street art within the C-3 district is specifically recommended within the Rome Downtown Revitalization Initiative Strategic Investment Plan and the Erie Boulevard Brownfield Opportunity Area Plan. The local zoning code does not include use restrictions on public art within the right of ways or on city-owned property.





February 23, 2024

City of Rome
Garret S. Wyckoff, Planner
Department of Community & Economic Development
198 North Washington Street
Rome, New York 13340

Subject: Environmental Desktop Review 100 Block West Dominick Street, Rome, New York 13340 Lu Project No. 50208-21

Dear Mr. Wyckoff,

The City of Rome engaged Lu Engineers to conduct an Environmental Desktop Audit of the properties located along the 100 Block of West Dominick Street, City of Rome, Oneida County, New York in February 2024. As described herein, this audit was prepared in general accordance with provisions of the American Society of Testing and Materials (ASTM) Standard Practice for Environmental Site Assessments: Phase I Environmental Site Assessment (ESA) Process (ASTM Designation: E1527-21). A complete Phase I ESA was not completed conducted on these properties.

The Scope of the Environmental Desktop Audit consisted of a review of Federal, State, and Local records to determine if any of the properties are listed on the ASTM regulatory databases. Information was obtained from the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC), Oneida County Health Department, and City of Rome through Freedom of Information Law (FOIL) requests for review. Historical information was obtained through review of 1955, 1974, 1985 1997, 2003, 2008, 2013 and 2015 aerial photographs (NETRonline) and 1899-1924 Sanborn Maps (Library of Congress and EDR).

1) Property Location

The following properties, located between North Washington Street and North James Street, are included in this assessment:

- 100-126 W. Dominick Street former bank owned by Rome Savings Bank
- 130-132 W. Dominick Street roadway owned by the City of Rome
- 134, 136, and 140 W. Dominick Street parking lots owned by Rome Urban Renewal Agency
- 144 W. Dominick Street landscaped area owned by Rome Urban Renewal Agency
- 146 W. Dominick Street Rome Mall Apartments owned by Rome Mall Development Fund
- 148 W. Dominick Street offices occupying the first floor of 146 W. Dominick Street, occupied by Antonowicz Group and owned by Peter Antonowicz
- W. Dominick Street landscaped area west of City Hall, North Washington Street and Gigliotti Avenue owned by the City of Rome
- 200 W. Dominick Street Bank of America and Office for People with Developmental Disabilities and unoccupied office space on the southern portion owned by the Lilac Group-Rome, NY Inc.
- 101-117 W. Dominick Street Wellnow Urgent Care and Aspen Dental Office owned by FCPT Holdings, LLC
- 137 W. Dominick Street Bostwick Liquors owned by Bostwick Liquors, Inc.
- 139 W. Dominick Street Rome Area Chamber of Commerce owned by Bruce Entelisano

- 143-149 W. Dominick Street office building occupied by American Martial Arts and Coldwell Banker and Faith Properties owned by Triple Lap Realty/Illion Main Street Corp.
- 155 W. Dominick Street Rome Memorial Hospital Offices owned by Rome Memorial Properties
- 183 W. Dominick Street apartment building construction owned by Copper City Lofts Housing
- 195 W. Dominick Street and W. Dominick Street- office building occupied by Catholic Charities (addressed as 199 W. Dominick Street), the Neighborhood Center and parking lot owned by Neighborhood Center, LLC
- 201-211 W. Dominick Street office building occupied by Family Life Recovery, Community Health and Behavioral Services, and Gunther Wealth Management Offices owned by Brace for Change, LLC
- N. James Street cultural building owned by the National Park Service, mailing addresses of 101 S.
 James Street and 100 N. James Street

2) Review of Federal, State and Local Regulatory Records:

200 W. Dominick Street is listed as a NYSDEC PBS and spill site. PBS #6-600067 is associated with a 10,000-gallon petroleum underground storage tank (UST) that was closed in place in 1991. NYSDEC records indicated that the tank was pumped out and soil samples were collected with acceptable analytical results, prior to the tank being filled in place. The tank is located on the eastern portion of the building and no spill was reported based on the lack of impacted soil encountered. NYSDEC Spill #9704621 is associated with 5-gallons of ethylene glycol that was released as a result of a traffic accident.

N. James Street is listed as an active NYSDEC spill. Spill #0404034 is associated with the Willet Correctional Building located at Fort Stanwick National Monument. Impacted soil was encountered and no additional information was provided on the spill report form. Further information has been requested from the NYSDEC.

3) NYSDEC FOIL Request Information:

FOIL Requests were submitted to the NYSDEC on February 2, 2024 for each of the properties listed above as well as the PBS facility and spills. As of the date of this report, a response has not been received for 200 W. Dominick Street or the active spill at N. James Street.

Responses received on February 9, 2024 for the remaining properties state that there are no records on file for the properties with the NYSDEC.

4) Oneida County Health Department FOIL Request Information:

A FOIL request was submitted on February 8, 2024. As of the date of this report, no response has been received. Any pertinent information obtained from the Health Department will be forwarded to your attention.

It is noted that FOIL requests have been submitted for properties listed in Section 7 of this letter, associated with prior environmental assessments. Health Department responses from prior assessments did not indicate any records of concern.

5) City of Rome FOIL Request Information:

FOIL requests were submitted on February 2, 2024 for each of the properties listed above. Responses were received on February 7 and 8, 2024. No records of concern were noted. Historical information obtained from historical assessment records is discussed below.

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6) Historical Information:

- 100-126 W. Dominick Street commercial building constructed in the late 1800s, demolished and redeveloped as a bank in 1953, however, the current structure is not visible until the 1985 aerial photograph.
- 130-132 W. Dominick Street commercial building constructed in the late 1800s and demolished in 1956; utilized as a parking lot since.
- 134, 136, and 140 W. Dominick Street commercial buildings and retail stores constructed in the late 1800s, redeveloped as loft buildings in the mid-1950s that were demolished in the late 1980s; parking lots since that time.
- 144 W. Dominick Street retail store constructed in the late 1800s, demolished between the mid-1950s to mid-1970s; utilized as a landscaped area since 1985.
- 146 W. Dominick Street retail store constructed in the late 1800s, parking lot in the mid-1970s; current building constructed in 1985.
- 148 W. Dominick Street retail store constructed in the late 1800s, parking lot in the mid-1970s; current building constructed in 1985.
- W. Dominick Street hotel and commercial properties constructed in the late 1800s, demolished in the 1970s; utilized as a landscaped area in front of City Hall since that time.
- 101-117 W. Dominick Street commercial buildings along W. Dominick Street and S. James Street constructed in the late 1800s, demolished prior to the mid-1970s; current building constructed in 2018.
- 137 W. Dominick Street two (2) commercial buildings constructed in the late 1800s, demolished between 1974-1985; current building constructed in 1987 and utilized for retail.
- 139 W. Dominick Street bank constructed in 1900; combined in 1996 with 135 W. Dominick Street that was constructed in 1951 and utilized as "Goldberg's Store".
- 143-149 W. Dominick Street commercial retail buildings constructed in the late 1800s, redeveloped in 1955 and an office building, most recently as United Way Offices.
- 155 W. Dominick Street commercial retail building constructed in the late 1800s, redeveloped in 1963 as an office building, addressed as 153-157-159 W. Dominick Street; occupied by Rome Memorial Hospital offices since 2000.
- 183 W. Dominick Street six (6) commercial retail parcels constructed in the late 1800s, demolished in 1975 to be utilized as parking lots; the parcels addressed as 163-165, 167-169, 171, 175-187 and 183 W. Dominick Street were merged into one (1) parcel addressed as 183 W. Dominick Street in 2021.
- 195 W. Dominick Street and W. Dominick Street constructed in 1976 and utilized as a bank addressed as 199 Liberty Plaza. The parcel was developed over a portion of Washington Street that extended south of W. Dominick Street.
- 201-211 W. Dominick Street commercial retail stores constructed in the late 1800s, redeveloped in 1954 as an office building and most recently utilized as the REACH Center.
- N. James Street E. Dominick Street and commercial buildings in the 1920s; cultural building constructed in 1976 and owned by the National Park Service.

7) Prior Environmental Assessments

Prior environmental assessments have been completed by Lu Engineers for the following properties. No indications of environmental concerns were reported.

- 139 W. Dominick Street- Desktop Assessment 2022
- 143-149 W. Dominick Street- Desktop Assessment 2023
- 163-187 W. Dominick Street- Phase I ESA 2013

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- 200 W. Dominick Street- Desktop Assessment 2019
- 201-211 W. Dominick Street- Desktop Assessment 2019
- 201-211 W. Dominick Street- Soil Vapor Intrusion Assessment 2020

Based on the information reviewed for this audit, this project appears to be free of hazardous materials, contamination, toxic chemicals and gases, and radioactive substances which could affect the health and safety of occupants or uses or conflict with the intended utilization of the property. However, based on the urban nature of the project site, it is likely that fill materials included Urban Fill may be encountered. It is recommended that a Soil and Groundwater Management Plan be developed and implemented to assist with the management of soils and/or groundwater during and after redevelopment including possible screening of potentially impacted soils during construction and incorporating provisions for proper handling of orphan tanks, and/or other unforeseen environmental conditions that may be encountered. Implementation of the SGMP should include part-time observation of excavation and related activities by an appropriately qualified environmental professional. I, Janet M. Bissi, certify that I am an environmental professional as per ASTM E1527.

Lu Engineers certifies the accuracy of the Environmental Desktop Audit, to the best of our knowledge, based on the information collected as described in the Scope of Work. A copy of information collected as part of the audit will be kept on file at the offices of Lu Engineers. This information is available at your request.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call.

fruit M Bross, CHMM

Respectfully submitted, Lu Engineers

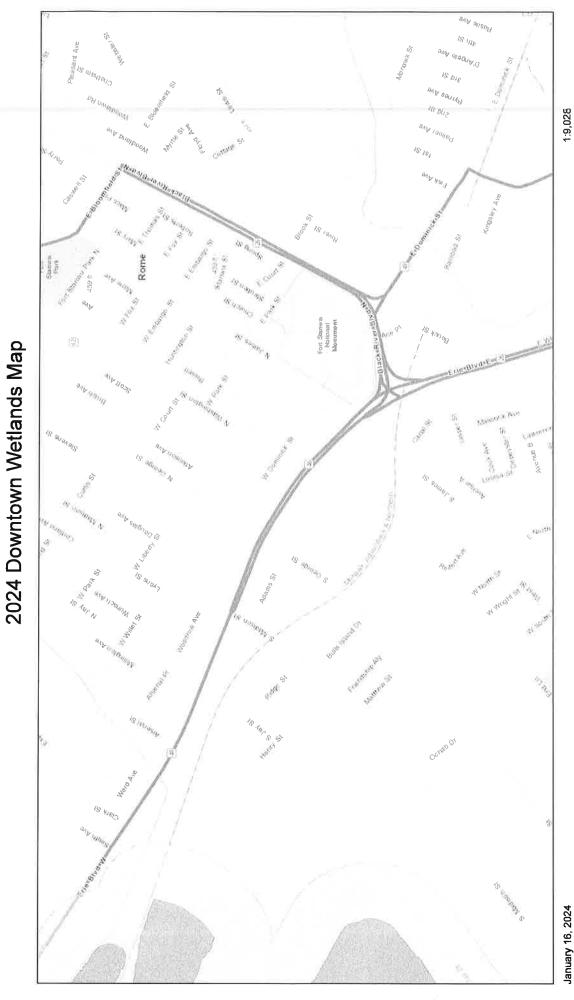
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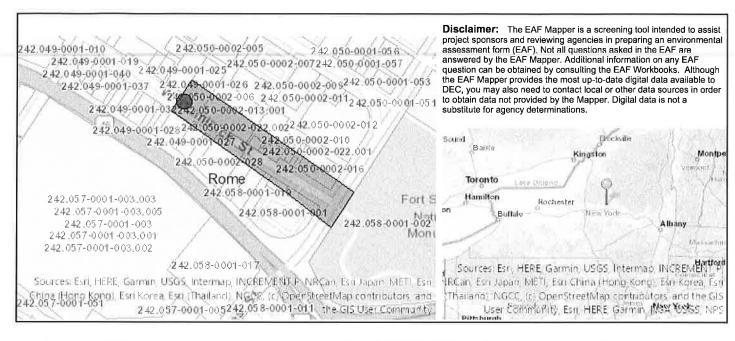
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January 16, 2024



B.i.i [Coastal or Waterfront Area]	No
B.i.ii [Local Waterfront Revitalization Area]	No
C.2.b. [Special Planning District]	Yes - Digital mapping data are not available for all Special Planning Districts. Refer to EAF Workbook.
C.2.b. [Special Planning District - Name]	NYS Heritage Areas:Mohawk Valley Heritage Corridor, Federal Recreation Land:Fort Stanwix National Monument
E.1.h [DEC Spills or Remediation Site - Potential Contamination History]	Digital mapping data are not available or are incomplete. Refer to EAF Workbook.
E.1.h.i [DEC Spills or Remediation Site - Listed]	Digital mapping data are not available or are incomplete. Refer to EAF Workbook.
E.1.h.i [DEC Spills or Remediation Site - Environmental Site Remediation Database]	Digital mapping data are not available or are incomplete. Refer to EAF Workbook.
E.1.h.iii [Within 2,000' of DEC Remediation Site]	Yes
E.1.h.iii [Within 2,000' of DEC Remediation Site - DEC ID]	C633090, 633042, E633053, 633043
E.2.g [Unique Geologic Features]	No
E.2.h.i [Surface Water Features]	No
E.2.h.ii [Surface Water Features]	No
E.2.h.iii [Surface Water Features]	No
E.2.h.v [Impaired Water Bodies]	No
E.2.i. [Floodway]	No
E.2.j. [100 Year Floodplain]	No
E.2.k. [500 Year Floodplain]	No
E.2.I. [Aquifers]	Yes
E.2.I. [Aquifer Names]	Principal Aquifer

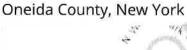
E.2.n. [Natural Communities]	No
E.2.o. [Endangered or Threatened Species]	Yes
E.2.o. [Endangered or Threatened Species - Name]	Bald Eagle
E.2.p. [Rare Plants or Animals]	No
E.3.a. [Agricultural District]	No
E.3.c. [National Natural Landmark]	No
E.3.d [Critical Environmental Area]	No
E.3.e. [National or State Register of Historic Places or State Eligible Sites]	Yes - Digital mapping data for archaeological site boundaries are not available. Refer to EAF Workbook.
E.3.e.ii [National or State Register of Historic Places or State Eligible Sites - Name]	Eligible property:GRAND HOTEL; Former Hotel Byrnes, Eligible property:Capitol Theater, Fort Stanwix National Monument, Gansevoort-Bellamy Historic District, Zion Episcopal Church, Rome Elks Lodge No. 96
E.3.f. [Archeological Sites]	Yes
E.3.i. [Designated River Corridor]	No

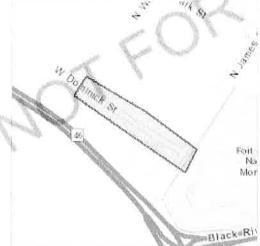
IPaC resource list

This report is an automatically generated list of species and other resources such as critical habitat (collectively referred to as trust resources) under the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's (USFWS) jurisdiction that are known or expected to be on or near the project area referenced below. The list may also include trust resources that occur outside of the project area, but that could potentially be directly or indirectly affected by activities in the project area. However, determining the likelihood and extent of effects a project may have on trust resources typically requires gathering additional site-specific (e.g., vegetation/species surveys) and project-specific (e.g., magnitude and timing of proposed activities) information.

Below is a summary of the project information you provided and contact information for the USFWS office(s) with jurisdiction in the defined project area. Please read the introduction to each section that follows (Endangered Species, Migratory Birds, USFWS Facilities, and NWI Wetlands) for additional information applicable to the trust resources addressed in that section.

Location





Local office

New York Ecological Services Field Office

(607) 753-9334

(607) 753-9699

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3817 Luker Road Cortland, NY 13045-9385



Endangered species

This resource list is for informational purposes only and does not constitute an analysis of project level impacts.

The primary information used to generate this list is the known or expected range of each species. Additional areas of influence (AOI) for species are also considered. An AOI includes areas outside of the species range if the species could be indirectly affected by activities in that area (e.g., placing a dam upstream of a fish population even if that fish does not occur at the dam site, may indirectly impact the species by reducing or eliminating water flow downstream). Because species can move, and site conditions can change, the species on this list are not guaranteed to be found on or near the project area. To fully determine any potential effects to species, additional site-specific and project-specific information is often required.

Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act **requires** Federal agencies to "request of the Secretary information whether any species which is listed or proposed to be listed may be present in the area of such proposed action" for any project that is conducted, permitted, funded, or licensed by any Federal agency. A letter from the local office and a species list which fulfills this requirement can **only** be obtained by requesting an official species list from either the Regulatory Review section in IPaC (see directions below) or from the local field office directly.

For project evaluations that require USFWS concurrence/review, please return to the IPaC website and request an official species list by doing the following:

- 1. Draw the project location and click CONTINUE.
- 2. Click DEFINE PROJECT.
- 3. Log in (if directed to do so).
- 4. Provide a name and description for your project.
- 5. Click REQUEST SPECIES LIST.

Listed species¹ and their critical habitats are managed by the <u>Ecological Services Program</u> of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) and the fisheries division of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA Fisheries²).

Species and critical habitats under the sole responsibility of NOAA Fisheries are **not** shown on this list. Please contact <u>NOAA Fisheries</u> for <u>species under their jurisdiction</u>.

1. Species listed under the <u>Endangered Species Act</u> are threatened or endangered; IPaC also shows species that are candidates, or proposed, for listing. See the <u>listing status page</u> for more information. IPaC only shows species that are regulated by USFWS (see FAQ).

2. <u>NOAA Fisheries</u>, also known as the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), is an office of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration within the Department of Commerce.

The following species are potentially affected by activities in this location:

Mammals

NAME STATUS

Northern Long-eared Bat Myotis septentrionalis

Endangered

Wherever found

No critical habitat has been designated for this species.

https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/9045

Insects

NAME STATUS

Monarch Butterfly Danaus plexippus

Candidate

Wherever found

No critical habitat has been designated for this species.

https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/9743

Critical habitats

Potential effects to critical habitat(s) in this location must be analyzed along with the endangered species themselves.

There are no critical habitats at this location.

You are still required to determine if your project(s) may have effects on all above listed species.

Bald & Golden Eagles

Bald and golden eagles are protected under the Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act¹ and the Migratory Bird Treaty Act².

Any person or organization who plans or conducts activities that may result in impacts to bald or golden eagles, or their habitats³, should follow appropriate regulations and consider implementing appropriate conservation measures, as described in the links below.

Specifically, please review the "Supplemental Information on Migratory Birds and Eagles".

Additional information can be found using the following links:

- Eagle Management https://www.fws.gov/program/eagle-management
- Measures for avoiding and minimizing impacts to birds
 https://www.fws.gov/library/collections/avoiding-and-minimizing-incidental-take-migratory-birds
- Nationwide conservation measures for birds https://www.fws.gov/sites/default/files/documents/nationwide-standard-conservation-measures.pdf
- Supplemental Information for Migratory Birds and Eagles in IPaC https://www.fws.gov/media/supplemental-information-migratory-birds-and-bald-and-golden-eagles-may-occur-project-action

There are bald and/or golden eagles in your project area.

For guidance on when to schedule activities or implement avoidance and minimization measures to reduce impacts to migratory birds on your list, see the PROBABILITY OF PRESENCE SUMMARY below to see when these birds are most likely to be present and breeding in your project area.

NAME

BREEDING SEASON

Bald Eagle Haliaeetus leucocephalus

Breeds Dec 1 to Aug 31

This is not a Bird of Conservation Concern (BCC) in this area, but warrants attention because of the Eagle Act or for potential susceptibilities in offshore areas from certain types of development or activities.

Probability of Presence Summary

The graphs below provide our best understanding of when birds of concern are most likely to be present in your project area. This information can be used to tailor and schedule your project activities to avoid or minimize impacts to birds. Please make sure you read "Supplemental Information on Migratory Birds and Eagles", specifically the FAQ section titled "Proper Interpretation and Use of Your Migratory Bird Report" before using or attempting to interpret this report.

Probability of Presence ()

Each green bar represents the bird's relative probability of presence in the 10km grid cell(s) your project overlaps during a particular week of the year. (A year is represented as 12 4-week months.) A taller bar indicates a higher probability of species presence. The survey

effort (see below) can be used to establish a level of confidence in the presence score. One can have higher confidence in the presence score if the corresponding survey effort is also high.

How is the probability of presence score calculated? The calculation is done in three steps:

- 1. The probability of presence for each week is calculated as the number of survey events in the week where the species was detected divided by the total number of survey events for that week. For example, if in week 12 there were 20 survey events and the Spotted Towhee was found in 5 of them, the probability of presence of the Spotted Towhee in week 12 is 0.25.
- 2. To properly present the pattern of presence across the year, the relative probability of presence is calculated. This is the probability of presence divided by the maximum probability of presence across all weeks. For example, imagine the probability of presence in week 20 for the Spotted Towhee is 0.05, and that the probability of presence at week 12 (0.25) is the maximum of any week of the year. The relative probability of presence on week 12 is 0.25/0.25 = 1; at week 20 it is 0.05/0.25 = 0.2.
- 3. The relative probability of presence calculated in the previous step undergoes a statistical conversion so that all possible values fall between 0 and 10, inclusive. This is the probability of presence score.

To see a bar's probability of presence score, simply hover your mouse cursor over the bar.

Breeding Season ()

Yellow bars denote a very liberal estimate of the time-frame inside which the bird breeds across its entire range. If there are no yellow bars shown for a bird, it does not breed in your project area.

Survey Effort (1)

Vertical black lines superimposed on probability of presence bars indicate the number of surveys performed for that species in the 10km grid cell(s) your project area overlaps. The number of surveys is expressed as a range, for example, 33 to 64 surveys.

To see a bar's survey effort range, simply hover your mouse cursor over the bar.

No Data (-)

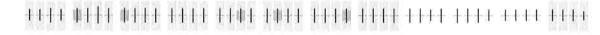
A week is marked as having no data if there were no survey events for that week.

Survey Timeframe

Surveys from only the last 10 years are used in order to ensure delivery of currently relevant information. The exception to this is areas off the Atlantic coast, where bird returns are based on all years of available data, since data in these areas is currently much more sparse.

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SPECIES	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC

Bald Eagle Non-BCC Vulnerable



What does IPaC use to generate the potential presence of bald and golden eagles in my specified location?

The potential for eagle presence is derived from data provided by the <u>Avian Knowledge Network (AKN)</u>. The AKN data is based on a growing collection of <u>survey</u>, <u>banding</u>, <u>and citizen science datasets</u> and is queried and filtered to return a list of those birds reported as occurring in the 10km grid cell(s) which your project intersects, and that have been identified as warranting special attention because they are a BCC species in that area, an eagle (<u>Eagle Act</u> requirements may apply). To see a list of all birds potentially present in your project area, please visit the <u>Rapid Avian Information Locator (RAIL) Tool</u>.

What does IPaC use to generate the probability of presence graphs of bald and golden eagles in my specified location?

The Migratory Bird Resource List is comprised of USFWS <u>Birds of Conservation Concern (BCC)</u> and other species that may warrant special attention in your project location.

The migratory bird list generated for your project is derived from data provided by the <u>Avian Knowledge Network (AKN)</u>. The AKN data is based on a growing collection of <u>survey</u>, <u>banding</u>, <u>and citizen science datasets</u> and is queried and filtered to return a list of those birds reported as occurring in the 10km grid cell(s) which your project intersects, and that have been identified as warranting special attention because they are a BCC species in that area, an eagle (<u>Eagle Act</u> requirements may apply), or a species that has a particular vulnerability to offshore activities or development.

Again, the Migratory Bird Resource list includes only a subset of birds that may occur in your project area. It is not representative of all birds that may occur in your project area. To get a list of all birds potentially present in your project area, please visit the <u>Rapid Avian Information Locator (RAIL) Tool</u>.

What if I have eagles on my list?

If your project has the potential to disturb or kill eagles, you may need to obtain a permit to avoid violating the <u>Eagle Act</u> should such impacts occur. Please contact your local Fish and Wildlife Service Field Office if you have questions.

Migratory birds

Certain birds are protected under the Migratory Bird Treaty Act¹ and the Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act².

Any person or organization who plans or conducts activities that may result in impacts to migratory birds, eagles, and their habitats³ should follow appropriate regulations and consider implementing appropriate conservation measures, as described in the links below. Specifically, please review the "Supplemental Information on Migratory Birds and Eagles".

- 1. The Migratory Birds Treaty Act of 1918.
- 2. The Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act of 1940.

Additional information can be found using the following links:

- Eagle Management https://www.fws.gov/program/eagle-management
- Measures for avoiding and minimizing impacts to birds
 <u>https://www.fws.gov/library/collections/avoiding-and-minimizing-incidental-take-migratory-birds</u>
- Nationwide conservation measures for birds https://www.fws.gov/sites/default/files/documents/nationwide-standard-conservation-measures.pdf
- Supplemental Information for Migratory Birds and Eagles in IPaC <u>https://www.fws.gov/media/supplemental-information-migratory-birds-and-bald-and-golden-eagles-may-occur-project-action</u>

The birds listed below are birds of particular concern either because they occur on the <u>USFWS Birds of Conservation Concern</u> (BCC) list or warrant special attention in your project location. To learn more about the levels of concern for birds on your list and how this list is generated, see the FAQ <u>below</u>. This is not a list of every bird you may find in this location, nor a guarantee that every bird on this list will be found in your project area. To see exact locations of where birders and the general public have sighted birds in and around your project area, visit the <u>E-bird data mapping tool</u> (Tip: enter your location, desired date range and a species on your list). For projects that occur off the Atlantic Coast, additional maps and models detailing the relative occurrence and abundance of bird species on your list are available. Links to additional information about Atlantic Coast birds, and other important information about your migratory bird list, including how to properly interpret and use your migratory bird report, can be found <u>below</u>.

For guidance on when to schedule activities or implement avoidance and minimization measures to reduce impacts to migratory birds on your list, see the PROBABILITY OF PRESENCE SUMMARY below to see when these birds are most likely to be present and breeding in your project area.

NAME BREEDING SEASON

Bald Eagle Haliaeetus leucocephalus

This is not a Bird of Conservation Concern (BCC) in this area, but warrants attention because of the Eagle Act or for potential susceptibilities in offshore areas from certain types of development or activities.

Breeds Dec 1 to Aug 31

Belted Kingfisher Megaceryle alcyon

This is a Bird of Conservation Concern (BCC) only in particular Bird Conservation Regions (BCRs) in the continental USA

Breeds Mar 15 to Jul 25

Black-billed Cuckoo C	_occyzus er	ythropthalmus
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This is a Bird of Conservation Concern (BCC) throughout its range in the continental USA and Alaska. https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/9399

Breeds May 15 to Oct 10

Blue-winged Warbler Vermivora pinus

This is a Bird of Conservation Concern (BCC) only in particular Bird Conservation Regions (BCRs) in the continental USA

Breeds May 1 to Jun 30

Bobolink Dolichonyx oryzivorus

This is a Bird of Conservation Concern (BCC) throughout its range in the continental USA and Alaska.

Breeds May 20 to Jul 31

Canada Warbler Cardellina canadensis

This is a Bird of Conservation Concern (BCC) throughout its range in the continental USA and Alaska.

Breeds May 20 to Aug 10

Chimney Swift Chaetura pelagica

This is a Bird of Conservation Concern (BCC) throughout its range in the continental USA and Alaska.

Breeds Mar 15 to Aug 25

Eastern Meadowlark Sturnella magna

This is a Bird of Conservation Concern (BCC) only in particular Bird Conservation Regions (BCRs) in the continental USA

Breeds Apr 25 to Aug 31

Evening Grosbeak Coccothraustes vespertinus

This is a Bird of Conservation Concern (BCC) throughout its range in the continental USA and Alaska.

Breeds May 15 to Aug 10

Wood Thrush Hylocichla mustelina

This is a Bird of Conservation Concern (BCC) throughout its range in the continental USA and Alaska.

Breeds May 10 to Aug 31

Probability of Presence Summary

The graphs below provide our best understanding of when birds of concern are most likely to be present in your project area. This information can be used to tailor and schedule your project activities to avoid or minimize impacts to birds. Please make sure you read "Supplemental Information on Migratory Birds and Eagles", specifically the FAQ section titled "Proper Interpretation and Use of Your Migratory Bird Report" before using or attempting to interpret this report.

Probability of Presence ()

Each green bar represents the bird's relative probability of presence in the 10km grid cell(s) your project overlaps during a particular week of the year. (A year is represented as 12 4-week months.) A taller bar indicates a higher probability of species presence. The survey effort (see below) can be used to establish a level of confidence in the presence score. One can have higher confidence in the presence score if the corresponding survey effort is also high.

How is the probability of presence score calculated? The calculation is done in three steps:

- 1. The probability of presence for each week is calculated as the number of survey events in the week where the species was detected divided by the total number of survey events for that week. For example, if in week 12 there were 20 survey events and the Spotted Towhee was found in 5 of them, the probability of presence of the Spotted Towhee in week 12 is 0.25.
- 2. To properly present the pattern of presence across the year, the relative probability of presence is calculated. This is the probability of presence divided by the maximum probability of presence across all weeks. For example, imagine the probability of presence in week 20 for the Spotted Towhee is 0.05, and that the probability of presence at week 12 (0.25) is the maximum of any week of the year. The relative probability of presence on week 12 is 0.25/0.25 = 1; at week 20 it is 0.05/0.25 = 0.2.
- 3. The relative probability of presence calculated in the previous step undergoes a statistical conversion so that all possible values fall between 0 and 10, inclusive. This is the probability of presence score.

To see a bar's probability of presence score, simply hover your mouse cursor over the bar.

Breeding Season (**)

Yellow bars denote a very liberal estimate of the time-frame inside which the bird breeds across its entire range. If there are no yellow bars shown for a bird, it does not breed in your project area.

Survey Effort (I)

Vertical black lines superimposed on probability of presence bars indicate the number of surveys performed for that species in the 10km grid cell(s) your project area overlaps. The number of surveys is expressed as a range, for example, 33 to 64 surveys.

To see a bar's survey effort range, simply hover your mouse cursor over the bar.

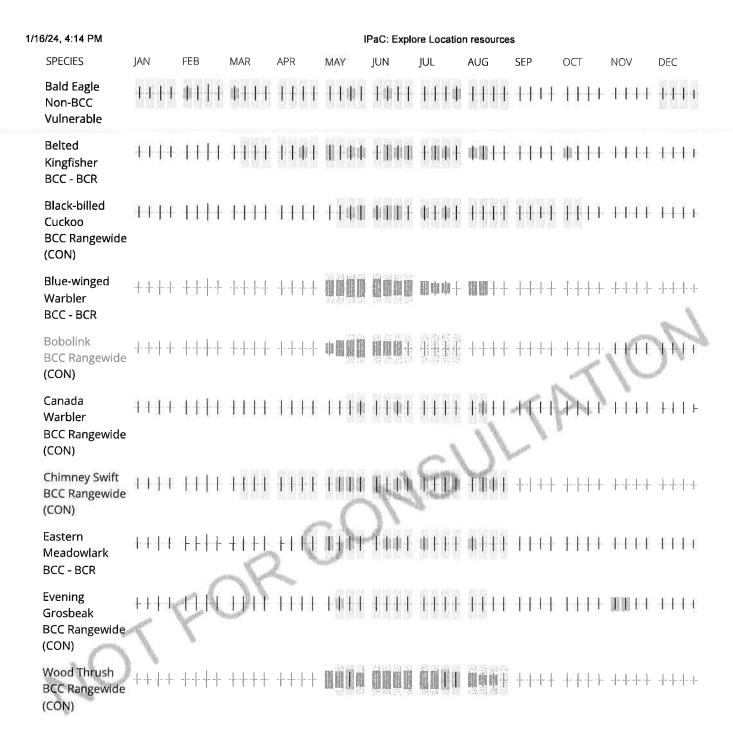
No Data (--)

A week is marked as having no data if there were no survey events for that week.

Survey Timeframe

Surveys from only the last 10 years are used in order to ensure delivery of currently relevant information. The exception to this is areas off the Atlantic coast, where bird returns are based on all years of available data, since data in these areas is currently much more sparse.

■ probability of presence breeding season | survey effort - no data



Tell me more about conservation measures I can implement to avoid or minimize impacts to migratory birds.

<u>Nationwide Conservation Measures</u> describes measures that can help avoid and minimize impacts to all birds at any location year round. Implementation of these measures is particularly important when birds are most likely to occur in the project area. When birds may be breeding in the area, identifying the locations of any active nests and avoiding their destruction is a very helpful impact minimization measure. To see when birds are most likely to occur and be breeding in your project area, view the Probability of Presence Summary. <u>Additional measures</u> or <u>permits</u> may be advisable depending on the type of activity you are conducting and the type of infrastructure or bird species present on your project site.

What does IPaC use to generate the list of migratory birds that potentially occur in my specified location?

The Migratory Bird Resource List is comprised of USFWS <u>Birds of Conservation Concern (BCC)</u> and other species that may warrant special attention in your project location.

The migratory bird list generated for your project is derived from data provided by the <u>Avian Knowledge Network (AKN)</u>. The AKN data is based on a growing collection of <u>survey</u>, <u>banding</u>, <u>and citizen science datasets</u> and is queried and filtered to return a list of those birds reported as occurring in the 10km grid cell(s) which your project intersects, and that have been identified as warranting special attention because they are a BCC species in that area, an eagle (<u>Eagle Act</u> requirements may apply), or a species that has a particular vulnerability to offshore activities or development.

Again, the Migratory Bird Resource list includes only a subset of birds that may occur in your project area. It is not representative of all birds that may occur in your project area. To get a list of all birds potentially present in your project area, please visit the <u>Rapid Avian Information Locator (RAIL) Tool</u>.

What does IPaC use to generate the probability of presence graphs for the migratory birds potentially occurring in my specified location?

The probability of presence graphs associated with your migratory bird list are based on data provided by the <u>Avian Knowledge Network (AKN)</u>. This data is derived from a growing collection of <u>survey</u>, <u>banding</u>, <u>and citizen science</u> datasets.

Probability of presence data is continuously being updated as new and better information becomes available. To learn more about how the probability of presence graphs are produced and how to interpret them, go the Probability of Presence Summary and then click on the "Tell me about these graphs" link.

How do I know if a bird is breeding, wintering or migrating in my area?

To see what part of a particular bird's range your project area falls within (i.e. breeding, wintering, migrating or year-round), you may query your location using the RAIL Tool and look at the range maps provided for birds in your area at the bottom of the profiles provided for each bird in your results. If a bird on your migratory bird species list has a breeding season associated with it, if that bird does occur in your project area, there may be nests present at some point within the timeframe specified. If "Breeds elsewhere" is indicated, then the bird likely does not breed in your project area.

What are the levels of concern for migratory birds?

Migratory birds delivered through IPaC fall into the following distinct categories of concern:

- "BCC Rangewide" birds are <u>Birds of Conservation Concern</u> (BCC) that are of concern throughout their range anywhere within the USA (including Hawaii, the Pacific Islands, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands);
- 2. "BCC BCR" birds are BCCs that are of concern only in particular Bird Conservation Regions (BCRs) in the continental USA; and
- 3. "Non-BCC Vulnerable" birds are not BCC species in your project area, but appear on your list either because of the <u>Eagle Act</u> requirements (for eagles) or (for non-eagles) potential susceptibilities in offshore areas from certain types of development or activities (e.g. offshore energy development or longline fishing).

Although it is important to try to avoid and minimize impacts to all birds, efforts should be made, in particular, to avoid and minimize impacts to the birds on this list, especially eagles and BCC species of rangewide concern. For more information on conservation measures you can implement to help avoid and minimize migratory bird impacts and requirements for eagles, please see the FAQs for these topics.

Details about birds that are potentially affected by offshore projects

For additional details about the relative occurrence and abundance of both individual bird species and groups of bird species within your project area off the Atlantic Coast, please visit the <u>Northeast Ocean Data Portal</u>. The Portal also offers data and information about other taxa besides birds that may be helpful to you in your project review. Alternately, you may download the bird model results files underlying the portal maps through the <u>NOAA NCCOS Integrative Statistical Modeling and Predictive Mapping of Marine Bird Distributions and Abundance on the Atlantic Outer Continental Shelf project webpage.</u>

Bird tracking data can also provide additional details about occurrence and habitat use throughout the year, including migration. Models relying on survey data may not include this information. For additional information on marine bird tracking data, see the <u>Diving Bird Study</u> and the <u>nanotag studies</u> or contact <u>Caleb Spiegel</u> or <u>Pam Loring</u>.

What if I have eagles on my list?

If your project has the potential to disturb or kill eagles, you may need to <u>obtain a permit</u> to avoid violating the Eagle Act should such impacts occur.

Proper Interpretation and Use of Your Migratory Bird Report

The migratory bird list generated is not a list of all birds in your project area, only a subset of birds of priority concern. To learn more about how your list is generated, and see options for identifying what other birds may be in your project area, please see the FAQ "What does IPaC use to generate the migratory birds potentially occurring in my specified location". Please be aware this report provides the "probability of presence" of birds within the 10 km grid cell(s) that overlap your project; not your exact project footprint. On the graphs provided, please also look carefully at the survey effort (indicated by the black vertical bar) and for the existence of the "no data" indicator (a red horizontal bar). A high survey effort is the key component. If the survey effort is high, then the probability of presence score can be viewed as more dependable. In contrast, a low survey effort bar or no data bar means a lack of data and, therefore, a lack of certainty about presence of the species. This list is not perfect; it is simply a starting point for identifying what birds of concern have the potential to be in your project area, when they might be there, and if they might be breeding (which means nests might be present). The list helps you know what to look for to confirm presence, and helps guide you in knowing when to implement conservation measures to avoid or minimize potential impacts from your project activities, should presence be confirmed. To learn more about conservation measures, visit the FAQ "Tell me about conservation measures I can implement to avoid or minimize impacts to migratory birds" at the bottom of your migratory bird trust resources page.

Facilities

National Wildlife Refuge lands

Any activity proposed on lands managed by the <u>National Wildlife Refuge</u> system must undergo a 'Compatibility Determination' conducted by the Refuge. Please contact the individual Refuges to discuss any questions or concerns.

There are no refuge lands at this location.

Fish hatcheries

There are no fish hatcheries at this location.

Wetlands in the National Wetlands Inventory (NWI)

Impacts to <u>NWI wetlands</u> and other aquatic habitats may be subject to regulation under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act, or other State/Federal statutes.

For more information please contact the Regulatory Program of the local <u>U.S. Army Corps of Engineers District</u>.

This location did not intersect any wetlands mapped by NWI.

NOTE: This initial screening does **not** replace an on-site delineation to determine whether wetlands occur. Additional information on the NWI data is provided below.

Data limitations

The Service's objective of mapping wetlands and deepwater habitats is to produce reconnaissance level information on the location, type and size of these resources. The maps are prepared from the analysis of high altitude imagery. Wetlands are identified based on vegetation, visible hydrology and geography. A margin of error is inherent in the use of imagery; thus, detailed on-the-ground inspection of any particular site may result in revision of the wetland boundaries or classification established through image analysis.

The accuracy of image interpretation depends on the quality of the imagery, the experience of the image analysts, the amount and quality of the collateral data and the amount of ground truth verification work conducted. Metadata should be consulted to determine the date of the source imagery used and any mapping problems.

Wetlands or other mapped features may have changed since the date of the imagery or field work. There may be occasional differences in polygon boundaries or classifications between the information depicted on the map and the actual conditions on site.

Data exclusions

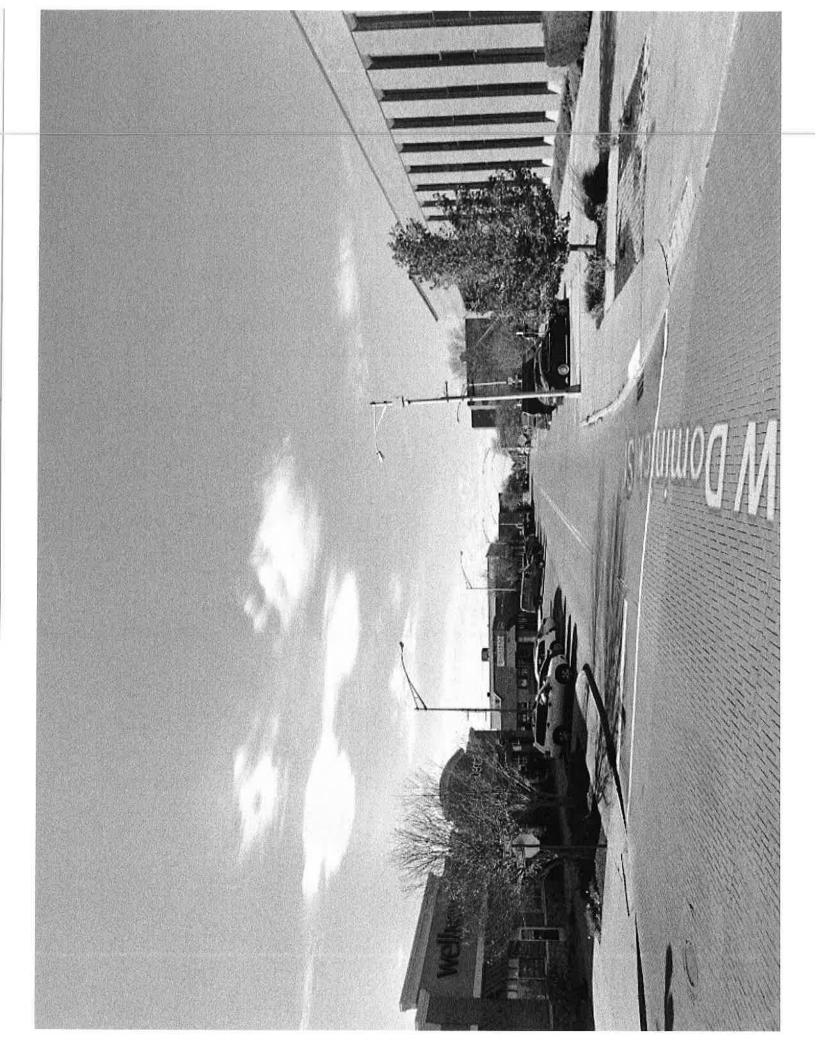
Certain wetland habitats are excluded from the National mapping program because of the limitations of aerial imagery as the primary data source used to detect wetlands. These habitats include seagrasses or

submerged aquatic vegetation that are found in the intertidal and subtidal zones of estuaries and nearshore coastal waters. Some deepwater reef communities (coral or tuberficid worm reefs) have also been excluded from the inventory. These habitats, because of their depth, go undetected by aerial imagery.

Data precautions

Federal, state, and local regulatory agencies with jurisdiction over wetlands may define and describe wetlands in a different manner than that used in this inventory. There is no attempt, in either the design or products of this inventory, to define the limits of proprietary jurisdiction of any Federal, state, or local government or to establish the geographical scope of the regulatory programs of government agencies. Persons intending to engage in activities involving modifications within or adjacent to wetland areas should seek the advice of appropriate Federal, state, or local agencies concerning specified agency regulatory NOT FOR CONSULTATION programs and proprietary jurisdictions that may affect such activities.





COMMON COUNCIL MARCH 13, 2024

RESOLUTION NO. 47

<u>AUTHORIZING FOUR (4) EMPLOYEES IN THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY</u> <u>& ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT TO ATTEND THE 2024 BROWNFIELD</u> DEVELOPER SUMMIT (PLUS TOLLS AND MILEAGE).

By Councilor:	
State of New York, that Four (4) employ Danielle Salisbury in the Department authorized to attend the 2024 Brownfie	ant to Section 77-b of the General Municipal Law of the yees, Sarah Lokker, Diana Samuels, Ashley D'Amore and of Community & Economic Development are hereby eld Developer Summit. This conference will be held in 4. The costs associated with said conference are set forth
Cost of Conference: Cost of Transportation: Total:	\$75.00 X 4 = \$300.00 Toll Costs & Mileage \$300.00 plus tolls & mileage
Seconded by Councilor	·
AYES & NAYS: Sparace Mortise _	Fazio Smith Anderson Dursi Sbaraglia
ADOPTED	DEFEATED

Tuesday, April 23



2024 Brownfields Developer Summit

Network, Explore, Invest: brownfields in the Mohawk Valley

By Mohawk Valley Economic Development District

105 followers

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Date and time

April 23 · 9am - April 24 · 4pm EDT

\$75

Refund Policy

Contact the organizer to request a refund. Eventbrite's fee is nonrefundable.

About this event

@ 1 day 7 hours

Mobile eTicket

The Brownfields Developer Summit started as a grassroots effort to showcase the Mohawk Valley and brownfield remediation opportunities. Experts from public and private sectors will be in attendance at our in-person event. This premiere event will spotlight redevelopment opportunities and provide the connection to meet local, state, and federal officials that are transforming the Mohawk Valley into a hub for regional revitalization.

Tags

United States Events

New York Events

Things to do in Herkimer, NY

Herkimer Conferences

Herkimer Business Conferences

#remediation

#brownfields

#2024

#environmental_justice

#economic_development

#environmental_protection

About the organizer

COMMON COUNCIL MARCH 13, 2024

RESOLUTION NO. 48

<u>AUTHORIZING TWO (2) EMPLOYEES IN THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT TO ATTEND THE 2024 LOCAL GOVERNMENT CONFERENCE (PLUS TOLLS AND MILEAGE).</u>

By Councilor	:			
BE IT RESOLVED, that pursuant to Section 77-b of the General Municipal Law of the State of New York, that Four (4) employees, Matthew Andrews, Garret Wyckoff, Diana Samuels and Danielle Salisbury in the Department Of Community & Economic Development are hereby authorized to attend the 2024 Local Government Conference. This conference will be held in Verona, New York, on May 2, 2024. The costs associated with said conference are set forth below:				
Cost of Conferen Cost of Transpor Total:		\$85.00 X 4 = \$170 Toll Costs & Mile \$170.00 plus tolls	age	<u>ge</u>
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NYS Tug Hill Commission

33rd Annual Local Government Conference

Turning Stone Conference Center – 5218 Patrick Road, Verona, NY 13478

Thursday, May 2, 2024 7:30 a.m. to 4:15 p.m.

Wednesday, May 1, 2024
Infrastructure Roundtable from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
followed by
Reception and Mixer from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

2024 Local Government Conference

Turning Stone Conference Center – 5218 Patrick Road, Verona, NY 13478



All of this and more can be found at www.tughill.org/localgovernmentconference

Wednesday May 1, 2024

1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Infrastructure Roundtable

Interested in learning more about funding and financing for municipal infrastructure in your town or village?
Come meet representatives from funding agencies and learn about funding opportunities for drinking water, wastewater, road-related projects, and other community investments.

Have one-on-one opportunities to discuss your current ideas, projects, and funding needs.

\$25 if postmarked by 4/1/2024

\$50 If postmarked 4/2/2024 or later



Wednesday May 1, 2024

5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Reception

This is your opportunity to mingle with exhibitors, sponsors, speakers, agencies, and other conference attendees.

Hearty appetizers are included and there will be a cash bar available.

\$15 If postmarked by 4/1/2024

\$30 If postmarked 4/2/2024 or later



Thursday May 2, 2024

7:30 a.m. - 4:15 p.m.

Full Day of Training

This year's conference features four concurrent sessions, an individual class for assessors, breakfast and lunch, and a printed program.

Certificates of Attendance (5 hours) will be given to all attendees at the conclusion of the conference.

Free parking is available in the garage.

\$85 If postmarked by 4/1/2024

\$170 If postmarked 4/2/2024 or later



Two Ways to Register

Register Online (credit card only) (gc2024.eventbrite.com Open through April 8, 2024.

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Register by Mail (check only) Complete this form and mail it back with your check.

Registrations will not be accepted over the phone or by fax or email.

Please call the Tug Hill Commission at (315) 785-2380 with any questions,

Refunds will not be issued after April 1, 2024. No exceptions!

We are required to reserve food quantities with the venue before the event.

If you cancel for any reason, we are still obligated to pay for food ordered.

TURNING STONE HOTEL INFORMATION

To receive the New York State rate of \$107 per night, you must book your room by 5:00 p.m. on Monday, April 1, 2024. Call (800) 771-7711 and state that you are with the NYS Tug Hill Commission or give the code HTUG24. Rooms are limited, so please book early.

If you are paying with a check, complete this registration form and mail it back with your check. One sheet per attendee please (payment can be made together). Make check payable to: **NYS Tug Hill Commission**, 317 Washington Street, 6th Floor, Watertown, NY 13601. **If you are paying with a credit card,** you must register online by **April 8, 2024,** at lgc2024.eventbrite.com. Please see the fee schedule below.

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Step 1: Circle your registration and payment choice:

Infrastructure Roundtable Wednesday May 1st From 1:00 pm – 5:00 pm Funding agency presentations	Reception Wednesday May 1 st From 5:30 pm – 6:30 pm Includes hearty appetizers	All Day Conference Thursday May 2 nd From 7:30 am – 4:15 pm
		and lunch
425	Φ15	\$85
\$50	\$30	\$170
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NO REFUNDS AFTER APRIL 1, 2024 No registrations by phone, fax, or email.

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Step 2: Fill out your contact information:

First Name:	Last Name:
Title:	Phone:
Email:	
(required for registration)	
Organization or Municipality:	

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OR

Step 3: Make your session selections:

Assessors Only

	Assessor
	Training
9:0	0 am – Noon and
1:1	.5 – 4:15 pm

Circle the four sessions you will be attending below (select only one choice per column):

Session 1 9:00 a.m. to 10:15 a.m.	Session 2 10:45 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.	Session 3 1:15 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.	Session 4 3:00 p.m. to 4:15 p.m.
1A	2A	3A	4A
18	2В	3B	4B
1C	2C	3C	4C
1D	2D	3D	4D
1E	2E	3 E	4E
1F	2F	3F	4F

Session titles and speakers are on the next page. Please be sure to choose one session per column!

Thursday, May 2, 2024 - LGC Sessions

Complete session descriptions can be found on our website at www.tughill.org/local-government-conference-presentations/

7:30 a.m. - Registration opens 7:30 a.m. - Breakfast with Exhibitors

8:30 a.m. – Opening Remarks

Session 1	Session 2	Session 3	Session 4
9:00 a.m. to 10:15 a.m.	10:45 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.	1:15 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.	3:00 p.m. to 4:15 p.m.
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(1A) Role of the Assessor: Responsibilities and Duties for Town Boards (Part 1)	(2A) Role of the Assessor	(3A) Covering Your Municipal Assets	(4A) Retirement Reporting: Elected and Appointed Officials
Warren Wheeler, NYS Assessors Association (1B) Historic Preservation: The	Warren Wheeler, NYS Assessors Association (28) What's Coming Days of	New York Municipal Insurance Reciprocal	Marsha Miles, Pension Integrit Bureau, NYS and Local Retirement System, Office of the NYS Comptroller
National Register and Other Preservation Tools	(2B) What's Coming Down the Road?	(3B) Affordable Rural Housing	(4B) The Tug Hill Commission's Traffic Safety Program: A Resource for Communities
Chelsea Towers, NYS Office of Parks, Recreation, and Historic Preservation (1C) Zoning: An Introduction	Tim Hunt, Lewis County Highway Department and Megan Osika, Park Strategies, LLC (2C) Innovative Land Use	Local Government Specialist, NYS Department of State	Chris Barboza, Mickey Dietrich, and Gabriel Yerdon, NYS Tug Hill Commission, and Jason Mahar, NYS Governor's Traffic Safety Committee
	Techniques	(3C) Land Use and SEQR Case Law Update	(4C) Permitting of Renewable Energy Projects and the Public Utility Variance Standard
Local Government Specialist, NYS Department of State (1D) ZBA Basics	Daniel Spitzer and Alicia Legland, Hodgson Russ LLP	Matthew Fitzgerald, Phillips Lytle LLP	Daniel Spitzer and Alicia Legland, Hodgson Russ LLP
,,,	(2D) Joint Boards: Options for Consolidating Review Boards	(3D) Ethics for Planning and Zoning Boards	(4D) Questions and Answers for Planning Boards and Zoning Boards of Appeals
TBD	Local Government Specialist, NYS Department of State	Sarah Brancatella, The Association of Towns of the State of New York	Matthew Fitzgerald, Phillips
1E) Roads, Liability, Risks, and Forts	(2E) Siting Large Renewable Energy Facilities – The NYS Office of Renewable Energy	(3E) Collaborative Solutions for Rural Workforce Development	Lytle LLP (4E) Micron's New York Expansion
David Orr, Cornell Local Roads	NYS Office of Renewable	Khris Dodson, NYWEA; Jeffrey Ginger, Jefferson-Lewis- Hamilton-Herkimer-Oneida BOCES; and Marty Miller,	
1F) Municipal Clerks Guide to ingo and Games of Chance icensing	(2F) Hot Topics for Clerks	Village of Massena (3F) Annual Financial Reporting: Common Reporting Errors	Joe Nehme, Micron (4F) The Open Meetings Law: An Overview and Update
cacy Harvey, NYS Gaming ommission	Sarah Brancatella, Katie Hodgdon, and Lori Mithen- Demasi, The Association of Towns of the State of New York	Jacklyn Postulka and Joseph Testa, Office of the NYS Comptroller	Kristin O'Neill, The Committee
Assessors will receive 6 hours of	Style, Grade, and Condition" with	Rob Bick, AIA, CSI, SCA	
issessors will receive 6 hours of	Style, Grade, and Condition" with CE credits for attending the entire: AND YOUR SESSION CHOICE	Rob Bick, AIA, CSI, SCA session (9:00 am – Noon and 1:15	on Open Government pm – 4:15 pm).

KEEP THIS PAGE AND YOUR SESSION CHOICE, ONE PER COLUMN, FOR YOUR REFERENCE!

COMMON COUNCIL MARCH 13, 2024

RESOLUTION NO. 49

AUTHORIZING THE SENIOR DOG CONTROL OFFICER TO ATTEND THE DCO/ACO CONFERENCE (PLUS TOLLS AND MILEAGE).

By Councilor:				
BE IT RESOLVED, that pursuant to Section 77-b of the General Municipal Law of the State of New York, that the Senior Dog Control Officer is hereby authorized to attend the DCO/ACO Conference. This conference will be held in Guilderland, New York, on November 6 and 7, 2024. The costs associated with said conference are set forth below:				
Cost of Conference: Hotel: Cost of Transportation: Fotal:	\$100.00 X 1 = \$100.00 \$258 X 1 = \$258 Toll Costs & Mileage \$358.00 plus tolls & mileage			
Seconded by Councilor				
AYES & NAYS: Sparace Mortise l	Fazio Smith Anderson Dursi Sbaraglia			
ADOPTED	DEFEATED			

2024 12TH ANNUAL DCO/ACO CONFERENCE

PRESENTED BY:
THE GUILDERLAND ANIMAL
CONTROL UNIT

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THE NYS DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND MARKETS



REGISTRATION (received by October 1, 2024)

\$125

EARLY REGISTRATION (received by April 30, 2024)

\$100

REGISTRATION INCLUDES:

Breakfast, snacks, morning coffee/tea and complimentary lunch for both days

*Space is limited. Register early!

FOR MORE
INFORMATION
PLEASE CONTACT:

Bob Meyers, ACO or Kathy Foley, ACO (518) 861-6855 guilderlandshelter@gpdny.org

Elizabeth Holmes, LVT/AHI 2 (518) 321-5002 Elizabeth.holmes@agriculture.ny.gov

Western Turnpike Golf Course

2350 Western Ave. Guilderland, NY 12084

NOV. | 6 & 7 th | 2024

Registration Form:

EVENT: 12

12th Annual DCO/ACO Conference

Presented by:
The Guilderland Animal Control
Unit & NYS Department of
Agriculture & Markets



DATE:

November 6 & 7.

2024

REGISTRANTS INFORMATION:

NAME & TITLE:

Kimberly Vaughn City of Rome Dog Control Officer

ADDRESS;

198 N. Washington St. Rome New York

PHONE NUMBER:

315-337-6260

· EMAIL:

kvaughn@romecitygov.com

If you require a Gluten Free meal, please check box here

AGENCY INFORMATION:

CONTACT PERSON:

(Name & Title)

Kimberly Vaughn

• ADDRESS:

198 N. Washington St. Rome New York

• TOWN:

City of Rome

PHONE NUMBER:

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kvaughn@romecitygov.com

PLEASE MAKE CHECKS/MONEY ORDERS
PAYABLE TO:

Town of Guilderland

MAIL COMPLETED REGISTRATION FORM & PAYMENT TO:

Town of Guilderland PO Box 339 Guilderland, NY 12084 Attn: Animal Control Registration Fee: \$125

Early Registration: \$100 (if received by April 30, 2024)

Registration Deadline: October 5, 2024

For any registration questions, please contact Kalhy Foley, ACO at: guilderlandshelter@gpdny.org (518) 861-6855 From: Sent:

To:

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Subject: Attachments: FW: DCO/ACO Conference 2024 November 6-7

Conference Registration Form 2024 (fillable).pdf; DCO Conference 2024- Save the

@gmail.com; Scott Wymczcak (wyms21@aol.com); Wyatt Maerten

Date.pdf; Hotel Reservation Form 2024.pdf

Hello, Everyone!

It's that time of year again and we cannot wait to see you all for this year's 12th Annual DCO/ACO Conference!

The event will be held at the Western Turnpike Golf Course in Guilderland, NY. Lunch will be hosted by The Hedge Bistro.

We have fantastic speakers and topics that we are working on scheduling for this year! We will be sending out the itinerary as soon as we have confirmed all of our speakers.

Some topics that we will be discussing are: Dog Handling Techniques/Behavior, Dangerous Dogs & Court Paperwork, and Municipal Shelter Options - just to name a few.

Space is limited! Please complete the attached fillable registration form and mail it in with your payment to secure your spot for this year's training event.

Please note the following:

- ❖ Early registration option for \$100.00 expires on April 30th
- * Room reservation rate of \$129 is locked in until October 5th
- ❖ Conference registration deadline is October 5th
- ❖ Gluten Free lunch option now available on the registration form

We look forward to seeing you all in November.

Thank you!!



Elizabeth Holmes, LVT/AHI 2 NYS Department of Agriculture and Markets (518) 321-5002

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Christina Cookingham, LVT/AHI 1 NYS Department of Agriculture and Markets (518) 703-0036

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Bob Meyers, ACO and Kathy Foley, ACO Guilderland Animal Control Unit (518) 861-6855

Lodging is Available at:

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For additional booking questions, please contact:

Emily Cuda

Director of Sales

Emily.cuda@hilton.com

518-514-8587

**To guarantee room rate and availability, rooms must be reserved by October 5, 2024.



Please note: Tru Hilton is conveniently located near the conference. However, there are other lodging options in the Albany area. Please feel free to explore alternative lodging if you choose.



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Total for stay

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Show price details Total room charge Total taxes

\$258.00



Guarantee and Cancellation Policy

There is a credit card required for this reservation. Free cancellation before 11;59 PM local hotel time on 04 Nov 2024.

All fields are required unless marked optional.

Payment

Card number

Month

Year

A Guest information

First name

Last name

RESOLUTION NO. 50

AUTHORIZING MAYOR TO REFUND ATLANTA PARTNERS, LLC, FOR OVERCHARGED FLAT WATER AND SEWER BILLS (\$9,168.77).

By Councilor:
WHEREAS, Joseph Guiliano, Commissioner of Public Works, has recommended that the Mayor of the City of Rome refund Atlanta Partners, LLC, for overcharged flat water and sewer bills at 1009 East Ave. for an amount not to exceed \$9,169.77; now, therefore
BE IT RESOLVED, by the Common Council of the City of Rome, New York, that it does hereby authorize the Mayor of the City of Rome to refund Atlanta Partners, LLC, for overcharged flat water and sewer bills at 1009 East Ave. for an amount not to exceed \$9,169.77; and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City of Rome Treasurer is directed to make such changes as may be necessary to execute said refund and that same be consistent with the City's policies and procedures, and any applicable law
Seconded by Councilor
AYES & NAYS: Sparace Mortise Fazio Smith Anderson Dursi Sbaraglia
ADOPTED DEFEATED

YEAR	CATEGORY	AMOUNT
2009	1 FAMILY WATER	\$275.00
	1 FAMILY SEWER	\$172.04
2010	1 FAMILY WATER	\$275.00
	1 FAMILY SEWER	\$192.68
2011	1 FAMILY WATER	\$305.00
	1 FAMILY SEWER	\$221.58
2012	1 FAMILY WATER	\$305.00
	1 FAMILY SEWER	\$239.31
2013	1 FAMILY WATER	\$332.45
	1 FAMILY SEWER	\$245.29
2014	1 FAMILY WATER	\$353.76
	1 FAMILY SEWER	\$251.98
2015	1 FAMILY WATER	\$384.84
	1 FAMILY SEWER	\$260.54
2016	1 FAMILY WATER	\$417.68
	1 FAMILY SEWER	\$260.54
2017	1 FAMILY WATER	\$476.16
	1 FAMILY SEWER	\$260.54
2018	1 FAMILY WATER	\$511.88
	1 FAMILY SEWER	\$269.66
2019	1 FAMILY WATER	\$511.88
	1 FAMILY SEWER	\$269.99
2020	1 FAMILY WATER	\$511.88
	1 FAMILY SEWER	\$269.99
2021	1 FAMILY WATER	\$511.88
	1 FAMILY SEWER	\$285.17
2022	1 FAMILY WATER	\$511.88
	1 FAMILY SEWER	\$285.17
2023	1 FAMILY WATER	\$0.00
	1 FAMILY SEWER	\$0.00
	TOTAL PAID FROM 2009 - 2023	\$9,168.77

On 3/25/2008, a building permit was approved to re-classify the upper storage area to an S1 (storage) occupancy. At this time, the flat water and sewer fees should have been removed from the city taxes. However, 1 family water and sewer flat fees were added on.

Moving forward from 2009, this property should have been

metered water and sewer only.

FEE REMOVED

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	OPRV:		0 Back Flow Preventor:	0 Drinki	ng Fountain:	
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By sigining to the right, the owner of this building and the signer agree to conform to all the applicable laws of the City of Rome and the State of New York.

Signature of the applicant



APPROVED BY::

Permit Fee: \$100.00

Date Permit Issued: PERMIT Receipt #: 3/25/2008

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SECTION 311

STORAGE GROUP S

- **311.1 Storage Group S.** Storage Group S occupancy includes, among others, the use of a building or structure, or a portion thereof, for storage that is not classified as a hazardous occupancy.
- **311.1.1 Accessory storage spaces.** A room or space used for storage purposes that is accessory to another occupancy shall be classified as part of that occupancy.
- **311.2 Moderate-hazard storage, Group S-1.** Storage Group S-1 occupancies are buildings occupied for storage uses that are not classified as Group S-2, including, but not limited to, storage of the following:

Aerosol products, Levels 2 and 3

Aircraft hangar (storage and repair)

Bags: cloth, burlap and paper

Bamboos and rattan

Baskets

Belting: canvas and leather

Books and paper in rolls or packs

Boots and shoes

Buttons, including cloth covered, pearl or bone

Cardboard and cardboard boxes

Clothing, woolen wearing apparel

Cordage

Dry boat storage (indoor)

Furniture

Furs

Glues, mucilage, pastes and size

Grains

Horns and combs, other than celluloid Leather

Linoleum

Lumber

Motor vehicle repair garages complying with the maximum allowable quantities of hazardous materials listed in Table 307.1(1) (see Section 406.8)

Resilient flooring Self-service storage facility (mini-storage) Silks Soaps Sugar

Photo engravings

Tires, bulk storage of

Tobacco, cigars, cigarettes and snuff

Upholstery and mattresses

Wax candles

RESOLUTION NO. 51

<u>AUTHORIZATION TO AMEND RESOLUTION NO. 4 OF 2024</u> REGARDING THE STANDING COMMITTEES OF THE COMMON COUNCIL.

By Councilor:
WHEREAS, John Nash, President of the Common Council of the City of Rome, New York, has requested authorization to amend Resolution No. 4, adopted by the Common Council on January 10, 2024; and
WHEREAS, this amendment is for purposes of reflecting changes within the Standing Committees of the Common Council; and
BE IT RESOLVED, that standing committees of the Common Council are hereby amended pursuant to attached Exhibit A "2024-2025 Common Council Standing Committees" for purposes of research and review of legislation and other city issues.
Seconded by Councilor
AYES & NAYS: Sparace Mortise Fazio Smith Anderson Dursi Sbaraglia
ADOPTED DEFEATED

John M. Sparace

John B. Mortise 2nd Ward

> Linda Fazio 3rd Ward

Ramona L. Smith 4th Ward



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CITY HALL • ROME, NEW YORK 13440-5815

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2024-2025 COMMON COUNCIL STANDING COMMITTEES

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Ric Dursi, Chair Linda Fazio John Sparace

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John Sparace, Chair John Mortise Dave Sbaraglia

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Ric Dursi, Chair Frank Anderson Linda Fazio

COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Frank Anderson, Chair John Mortise Ramona Smith

PARKS, RECREATION & YOUTH PROGRAMS

Dave Sbaraglia, Chair Ramona Smith John Mortise

Note: The Common Council President is an ex-officio member of every committee.

ORDINANCE NO. 9677

AUTHORIZING MAYOR OF THE CITY OF ROME TO APPROVE THE SALE OF CITY OWNED PARCEL (110 WEST FOX STREET) TO BUYER FOR \$1,000.00.

By Councilor _____:

WHEREAS, New York State Real Property Tax Law Section 1166 and Rome Charter Laws Section 33(3) allow the City of Rome to sell and convey real property obtained by virtue of a tax foreclosure proceeding, upon approval and confirmation of a 5/7 vote of the Rome Common Council, with or without advertising for bids, and;		
WHEREAS, as a result of tax sales, certain city owned parcels of land are in the City's possession and the City desires to sell and convey said real property to a responsible buyer, now, therefore;		
BE IT ORDAINED, that the Mayor of the City of Rome is authorized to convey a parcel at 110 West Fox Street to the buyer listed in Exhibit A, and;		
BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, by the Common Council of the City of Rome that it approves and confirms the sale and conveyance of a parcel on 110 West Fox Street to the buyer listed in Exhibit A for the monetary consideration of \$1,000.00, said conveyance to take place following the contingencies hereinafter set forth, and;		
BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that this authorization is contingent upon the buyer having completed this transaction by rendering any payment in full to the City of Rome within forty-five (45) days following receipt and review of copies of the proposed transfer documents pursuant to this sale.		
Seconded by Councilor By Councilor:		
RESOLVED, that the unanimous consent of this Common Council be, and the same hereby is given to the consideration of Ordinance No. 9677.		
Seconded by Councilor		
AYES & NAYS: Sparace Mortise Fazio Smith Anderson Dursi Sbaraglia		
ORDINANCE NO. 9677 AYES & NAYS: Sparace Mortise Fazio Smith Anderson Dursi Sbaraglia		
ADOPTED DEFEATED		

EXHIBIT "A"

TAX MAP NO: 242.042-0002-023
PROPERTY ADDRESS: 110 West Fox Street

CONSIDERATION: \$1,000.00

BUYER: DeSalvo Properties, LLC

Director



DEPARTMENT OF CODE ENFORCEMENT

ROME CITY HALL, 198 N. WASHINGTON STREET ROME, NEW YORK 13440-5815

Telephone: (315) 339-7642 Fax: (315) 339-7638 www.romenewyork.com

Memo

To:

City of Rome Common Council

Date:

February 28, 2024

From:

Nick Facciolo

Re:

Permission for the City of Rome to enter into a **direct sale** agreement with DeSalvo Properties LLC for 110 W. Fox St., tax map ID #242.042-0002-023, per the recommendation of the Real Property Committee. The purchase offer is \$1,000 and there

is no rehabilitation period.

Message:

The Real Property Committee has voted to recommend that the City of Rome Common Council consider approval to enter into a **direct sale** agreement with DeSalvo Properties LLC to purchase a parcel located at 110 W. Fox St. City Treasurer and Codes have verified that the proposer does not have outstanding taxes or codes issues on other properties in the City of Rome.

Attached is a copy of the, proposal, punch list, tax map and current assessment information. Please feel free to call me directly at 315-339-7637 with any additional information you may require.



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Real Property Due Diligence Summary

	PROPERTY SUMMARY
Address	110 W. Fox St.
Tax Map Number	242.042-0002-023
Parcel Description	Lot 39.5 x 80
Parcel Zoning	C-1
Ward Councilor	R. Smith
Date of City Ownership	6/29/2023
DUE DILIGENCE CATEGORY	STATUS
Project Description	Purchase of vacant lot
Proposer Name	DeSalvo Properties, LLC
Proposed Time Frame	N/A
Proposed Price	\$1,000
Proposer Codes Violations	Codes history has been checked and deemed acceptable for consideration by the common council
Proposer Financial Viability	Financial background has been checked and deemed appropriate for consideration by Common Council
Background Check Performed	Not performed
Special Considerations	None

ORDINANCE NO. 9678

AUTHORIZING MAYOR OF THE CITY OF ROME TO APPROVE THE SALE OF CITY OWNED PARCEL (112 WEST FOX STREET) TO BUYER FOR \$1,000.00.

By Councilor _____:

WHEREAS, New York State Real Property Tax Law Section 1166 and Rome Charter Laws Section 33(3) allow the City of Rome to sell and convey real property obtained by virtue of a tax foreclosure proceeding, upon approval and confirmation of a 5/7 vote of the Rome Common Council, with or without advertising for bids, and;
WHEREAS, as a result of tax sales, certain city owned parcels of land are in the City's possession and the City desires to sell and convey said real property to a responsible buyer, now, therefore;
BE IT ORDAINED, that the Mayor of the City of Rome is authorized to convey a parcel at 112 West Fox Street to the buyer listed in Exhibit A, and;
BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, by the Common Council of the City of Rome that it approves and confirms the sale and conveyance of a parcel on 112 West Fox Street to the buyer listed in Exhibit A for the monetary consideration of \$1,000.00, said conveyance to take place following the contingencies hereinafter set forth, and;
BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that this authorization is contingent upon the buyer having completed this transaction by rendering any payment in full to the City of Rome within forty-five (45) days following receipt and review of copies of the proposed transfer documents pursuant to this sale.
Seconded by Councilor By Councilor:
RESOLVED, that the unanimous consent of this Common Council be, and the same hereby is given to the consideration of Ordinance No. 9678.
Seconded by Councilor
AYES & NAYS: Sparace Mortise Fazio Smith Anderson Dursi Sbaraglia
ORDINANCE NO. 9678 AYES & NAYS: Sparace Mortise Fazio Smith Anderson Dursi Sbaraglia
ADOPTED DEFEATED

EXHIBIT "A"

TAX MAP NO: 242.042-0002-024
PROPERTY ADDRESS: 112 West Fox Street

CONSIDERATION: \$1,000.00

BUYER: DeSalvo Properties, LLC

Mayor



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Memo

To:

City of Rome Common Council

Date:

February 28, 2024

From:

Nick Facciolo

Re:

Permission for the City of Rome to enter into a direct sale agreement with DeSalvo Properties LLC for 112 W. Fox St., tax map ID #242.042-0002-024, per the recommendation of the Real Property Committee. The purchase offer is \$1,000 and there

is no rehabilitation period.

Message:

The Real Property Committee has voted to recommend that the City of Rome Common Council consider approval to enter into a direct sale agreement with DeSalvo Properties LLC to purchase a parcel located at 112 W. Fox St. City Treasurer and Codes have verified that the proposer does not have outstanding taxes or codes issues on other properties in the City of Rome.

Attached is a copy of the, proposal, punch list, tax map and current assessment information. Please feel free to call me directly at 315-339-7637 with any additional information you may require.



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Real Property Due Diligence Summary

9	PROPERTY SUMMARY
Address	112 W. Fox St.
Tax Map Number	242.042-0002-024
Parcel Description	Lot 38 x 80
Parcel Zoning	RP
Ward Councilor	R. Smith
Date of City Ownership	6/29/2023
DUE DILIGENCE CATEGORY	STATUS
Project Description	Purchase of vacant lot
Proposer Name	DeSalvo Properties, LLC
Proposed Time Frame	N/A
Proposed Price	\$1,000
Proposer Codes Violations	Codes history has been checked and deemed acceptable for consideration by the common council
Proposer Financial Viability	Financial background has been checked and deemed appropriate for consideration by Common Council
Background Check Performed	Not performed
Special Considerations	None

ORDINANCE NO. 9679

AUTHORIZING THE PLACEMENT OF A STOP SIGN AT THE INTERSECTION OF JEFFERSON STREET & RIVERVIEW PARKWAY SOUTH.

By Councilor:
WHEREAS, David Sbaraglia, Seventh Ward Councilor for the City of Rome, New York, has requested the placement of a stop sign at the intersection of Jefferson Street & Riverview Parkway South; and
WHEREAS, the Commissioner of the Public Safety, following a review of the conditions along said streets and in consideration of the requests made by local residents, recommends the placement of a stop sign at the intersection of Jefferson Street & Riverview Parkway South; and
WHEREAS, the placement of a stop sign at the intersection of Jefferson Street & Riverview Parkway South alleviates the safety concerns having been voiced by local residents; now, therefore,
BE IT ORDAINED, that the placement of a stop sign at the intersection of Jefferson Street & Riverview Parkway South, be and is hereby permitted.
Seconded by Councilor By Councilor:
RESOLVED, that the unanimous consent of this Common Council be, and the same hereby is given to the consideration of Ordinance No. 9679.
Seconded by Councilor
AYES & NAYS: Sparace Mortise Fazio Smith Anderson Dursi Sbaraglia
ORDINANCE NO. 9679 AYES & NAYS: Sparace Mortise Fazio Smith Anderson Dursi Sbaraglia
ADOPTED DEFEATED

ORDINANCE NO. 9680

AUTHORIZING THE PLACEMENT OF A STOP SIGN AT THE INTERSECTION OF EAST OAK STREET & FRANKLYN STREET.

By Councilor:		
WHEREAS, David Sbaraglia, Seventh Ward Councilor for the City of Rome, New York, has requested the placement of a stop sign at the intersection of East Oak Street & Franklyn Street; and		
WHEREAS, the Commissioner of the Public Safety, following a review of the conditions along said streets and in consideration of the requests made by local residents, recommends the placement of a stop sign at the intersection of East Oak Street & Franklyn Street; and		
WHEREAS, the placement of a stop sign at the intersection of East Oak Street & Franklyn Street alleviates the safety concerns having been voiced by local residents; now, therefore,		
BE IT ORDAINED, that the placement of a stop sign at the intersection of East Oak Street & Franklyn Street, be and is hereby permitted.		
Seconded by Councilor By Councilor:		
RESOLVED, that the unanimous consent of this Common Council be, and the same hereby is given to the consideration of Ordinance No. 9680.		
Seconded by Councilor		
AYES & NAYS: Sparace Mortise Fazio Smith Anderson Dursi Sbaraglia		
ORDINANCE NO. 9680 AYES & NAYS: Sparace Mortise Fazio Smith Anderson Dursi Sbaraglia		
ADOPTED DEFEATED		

ORDINANCE NO. 9681

AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION OF A TEMPORARY EASEMENT FOR THE ERIE BOULEVARD DOWNTOWN TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVE PROGRAM PROJECT (\$300.00).

By Councilor:
WHEREAS, Matthew Andrews, the Deputy Director of the Department of Community and Economic Development for the City of Rome, New York, has requested authorization for acquisition of a temporary easement at 195 West Dominick Street for the Erie Boulevard Downtown Transportation Alternative Program Project, in an amount not to exceed \$300.00; and
WHEREAS, the "Agreement to Purchase Real Property" is attached and made part of this Ordinance; now, therefore
BE IT ORDAINED, that the Mayor of the City of Rome be and is hereby authorized to enter into an Agreement approved by the Corporation Counsel, for purposes of acquisition of a temporary easement at 195 West Dominick Street for the Erie Boulevard Downtown Transportation Alternative Program Project, in an amount not to exceed \$300.00.
Seconded by Councilor By Councilor:
RESOLVED, that the unanimous consent of this Common Council be, and the same hereby is given to the consideration of Ordinance No. 9681.
Seconded by Councilor
AYES & NAYS: SparaceMortiseFazioSmithAndersonDursiSbaraglia
ORDINANCE NO. 9681 AYES & NAYS: Sparace Mortise Fazio Smith Anderson Dursi Sbaraglia
ADOPTED DEFEATED

AGREEMENT TO PURCHASE TEMPORARY EASEMENT

Project: Erie Boulevard Downtown TAP / Wheels to Heels Streetscape Improvements

PIN: 2650.57.121 Map 13 Parcel 13

By this Agreement Neighborhood Center, Inc. (hereinafter "Seller"), agrees to sell and City of Rome, agrees to purchase the real property interest(s) described below required for construction purposes only.

1. **PROPERTY DESCRIPTION**. The Seller agrees to sell, grant, and convey:

A temporary easement over 224 +/- square feet of real property

Located at 195 W. Dominick St, Rome, NY, further described as:

Being a temporary possessory interest over a portion of the Seller's lands described in a Warranty Deed dated 5/28/1999, and recorded on 5/28/1999, in Book 2871 of Deeds at Page 362, in the Office of the County Clerk for Oneida, New York and assigned Tax Map No. 242.049-1-27, and being the same lands designated as Parcel 13 on Acquisition Map 13 attached hereto as Exhibit "A" (the "Property").

GPI is working for the City of Rome to provide professional engineering services related to the Downtown Transportation Alternative Program (TAP) project known as Wheels to Heals along NYS Route 46 (Erie Boulevard) from North George Street to North James Street. The project entails improvements to pedestrian facilities including curb ramps and signals, removal of segments of the access road that parallels the westbound lanes of Erie Boulevard and conversion of these areas into greenspace and a cycle track. Other improvements include replacing existing vegetation in the medians, evaluating existing signage and lighting, and modifying the existing drainage system as necessary, and provide for parking lot enhancements.

A temporary easement to be exercised in, on and over the property delineated above for the purpose of a work area in connection with the construction or reconstruction of the Downtown Transportation Alternative Program (TAP) project and appurtenances for use and exercisable during the construction or reconstruction of the Downtown Transportation Alternative Program (TAP) project and terminating upon the approval of completed work, unless sooner terminated if deemed no longer necessary for state highway purposes and released by the City of Rome.

- 2. IMPROVEMENTS INCLUDED IN THE PURCHASE. The following improvements, if any, now in or on the Property are included in as a part of the sale pursuant to this Agreement:
 - a. Existing driveway will be reconstructed with a crossing for both the sidewalk and cycle track. A new catch basin will be installed at the low point in the driveway.

- b. Existing concrete walkway to doorway facing Erie Boulevard will be restored with a new concrete sidewalk.
- 3. **PURCHASE PRICE**. The total purchase price is THREE HUNDRED DOLLARS AND 00/100 \$300.00.

The Purchase Price includes the Property described in paragraph 1 and the improvements described in paragraph 2.

- 4. PAYMENT. Upon Buyer's receipt and approval of this Agreement signed by the Seller, and after authorization by appropriate administrative and legal entities as may be required by statute, and after Buyer has provided all papers necessary to convey clear title, Buyer shall pay the full Purchase Price.
 - In the event of any outstanding liens, a release may be required from the lien holder. Any outstanding lien payments shall be authorized by the Seller. At the time of payment, the Buyer shall issue separate checks for any such obligations and the adjusted purchase price paid to the Seller.
- 5. CLOSING DATE AND PLACE. Transfer of title rights shall take place at a mutually acceptable location or by mail, on or about ninety (90) days from the date of the fully executed and approved original of this Agreement.
- 6. BUYER'S POSSESSION OF THE PROPERTY. The possession and term of all temporary easements shall commence within nine months of the execution date of the temporary easement agreement. The term for all temporary easement(s) shall be for ONE (1) year. At the option of the Buyer, a temporary easement may be extended for two (2) additional one-year (1) terms. Prior to the expiration of the initial term, or each extended term of the temporary easement, the Buyer shall notify the Seller in writing of its intention to exercise its option of extending the term of the temporary easement for an additional year. The compensation for each additional one-year (1) term shall be \$300.00. The Buyer shall include a check for the sum of \$300.00 with said written notification to the Seller. The temporary easement will terminate upon the approval of the completed work, unless sooner terminated if deemed no longer necessary.
- 7. TITLE DOCUMENTS. Buyer shall provide the following documents in connection with the sale:
 - a. Deed. Buyer will prepare and deliver to the Seller for execution at the time of closing all documents required to grant and convey the real property interest(s) and improvements, if applicable described in paragraphs 1 and 2 above
 - b. Abstract, Bankruptcy, Tax Searches, and Acquisition Map. Buyer will pay for a search of public records, deeds, court, and tax records and will prepare a title certification letter. Buyer will pay for and furnish to the Seller an Acquisition Map(s).
- 8. MARKETABILITY OF TITLE. If deemed necessary by the Buyer to ensure good, valid and marketable temporary easement title to the property, Buyer may pay for such curative actions necessary to clear title. Curative action is defined as such actions or efforts required to clear title, including but not limited to attending meetings, document

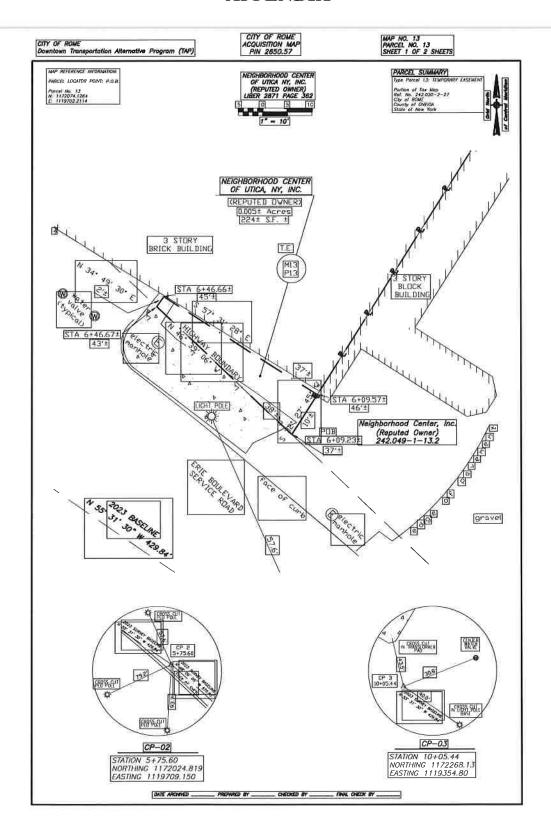
preparation, obtaining releases and recording documents necessary to establish good, valid, and marketable temporary easement title.

The Seller shall be responsible for the cost to satisfy liens and encumbrances ("Encumbrances") identified by the Buyer. If there are any Encumbrances which can be cured by the payment of money, Seller shall cure such Encumbrances. The cost to cure such Encumbrances shall be deducted from the Purchase Price stated in paragraph 3 and paid to the appropriate party by the Buyer at the time of closing.

- 9. **RECORDING COSTS, TRANSFER TAX & CLOSING ADJUSTMENTS**. Buyer will pay all recording fees and the real property transfer tax, if applicable.
- 10. INSURANCE. The Buyer shall require that its contractor performing work on the property(ies) specific to this project maintain standard liability insurance covering personal injuries and property damage at all times during the duration of the project, and shall name buyer and any effected property owners as additional insureds as their interests may appear.
- 11. ENTIRE AGREEMENT. This Agreement when signed by both the Seller and the Buyer contains all the agreements of the parties hereto. There are no promises, agreements, terms, conditions, warranties, representations, or statements other than contained herein. No verbal agreements or promises will be binding. This Agreement may not be changed orally.
- 12. **NOTICES.** All notices contemplated by this Agreement shall be in writing and delivered by a.) certified or registered mail, return receipt requested, b.) by email or c) by personal delivery. Notices shall be deemed delivered upon receipt. Any notices relating to this Agreement may be given or received by the parties or the attorneys for the parties.
- 13. SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS. This Agreement shall inure to the benefit of and be binding upon Seller and Buyer, their respective heirs, personal representatives, successors and/or assigns.

Witness: | Signature: | Signatu

APPENDIX



CITY OF ROME Downtown Transportation Alternative Program (729)

A temporary easement to be exercised in, on and over the property delineated above for the purpose of a work area in connection with the construction or reconstruction of the Downtown Transportation Alternative Program (TAP) project and appurtenances for use and exercisable during the construction or reconstruction of the Downtown Transportation Alternative Program (TAP) project and terminating upon the approved of completed work, unless sooner terminated if deemed no langer necessary for state highway purposes and released by the City of Rome, Such assement shall be exercised in and to all that piece or parcel of property designated as Parcel No. 1.3, situate in the City of Rome, County of Oncida, State of New York, as shown on the accompanying map and further described as follows:

All that piece or parcel of properly hereinafter designated as Forcel No. 13 situate in the City of Rome, County of Oneida, State of New York, as shown on the accompanying map and described as follows:
Beginning at point on the division line between the property of Neighborhood Center, Inc. (reputed owner) on the southeast and the northeast boundary of an existing City Street (Erie Boulevard Service Road), at a point 371 feet northeasterly measured at right angles from station 6+03-23± of the herein described baseline for the construction of City of Rome Dewntown Transportation Alternative Program (TAP) project; Thence North 45* 39* 05* West along the said highway boundary 35± feet to a point in the division line between the remaining property of Neighborhood Center of Utica, NY, Inc. (reputed owner) on the northwest of a point 43± feet idistant northeasterly measured at right angles from station 6+46.67± of the said baseline; Thence through the property of the said Neighborhood Center of Utica, NY, Inc. (reputed owner) the following two (2) courses and distances: (1) North 34+ 49 30* Cast a distance of 2± feet to apoint along said division line said point being 45± feet distant northeasterly measured at right angles from station 6+46.66± of the said haseline; (2) South 57* 31* 28* Cast a distance of 37± feet to a point along said division line to a point on the division line between the property of the said Neighborhood Center of Utica, NY, Inc. (reputed owner) on the northwest, said point being 46± feet distant northeasterly measured at right angles from station 6+09.57± of the said baseline; Thence South 32* 27* 45* West a distance of 10± to the point of beginning being 224± square feet.

The above mentioned Baseline is a portion of the 2023 baseline for the construction of City of Rome Downtown Transportation Alternative Program (TAP) project, and described as follows:

Beginning at Station 5+75.60 Thence North 55' 31' 30" West to Station 10+05.44 Bearings are based on Grid North at Central Meridian.

I hereby certify that the proper mapped above is necessary for this project, and the acquisition thereof is recommended.

Jacqueline M. Izzo Mayor of Rome City of Rome, New York

NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER, INC. (REPUTED OWNER)

Total Area = 224± S.F.

"Unauthorized alteration of a survey map bearing a licensed land surveyo seal is a violation of the New York State Education Law."

I hereby certify that this map was prepared in accordance with current NYSDOT policies, standards and procedures. Date July 27, 2023

Susan M. Anacker Susan M. Anacker, Professional Land Surveyor, PLLC P.L.S. License No.50321

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ORDINANCE NO. 9682

AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION OF A TEMPORARY EASEMENT FOR THE ERIE BOULEVARD DOWNTOWN TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVE PROGRAM PROJECT (\$1,300.00).

By Councilor ____:

WHEREAS, Matthew Andrews, the Deputy Director of the Department of Community and Economic Development for the City of Rome, New York, has requested authorization for acquisition of a temporary easement at West Dominick Street (Tax Map No. 242.050-2-13.2) for the Erie Boulevard Downtown Transportation Alternative Program Project, in an amount not to exceed \$1,300.00; and
WHEREAS, the "Agreement to Purchase Real Property" is attached and made part of this Ordinance; now, therefore
BE IT ORDAINED, that the Mayor of the City of Rome be and is hereby authorized to enter into an Agreement approved by the Corporation Counsel, for purposes of acquisition of a temporary easement at West Dominick Street (Tax Map No. 242.050-2-13.2) for the Erie Boulevard Downtown Transportation Alternative Program Project, in an amount not to exceed \$1,300.00.
Seconded by Councilor By Councilor:
RESOLVED, that the unanimous consent of this Common Council be, and the same hereby is given to the consideration of Ordinance No. 9682.
Seconded by Councilor
AYES & NAYS: Sparace Mortise Fazio Smith Anderson Dursi Sbaraglia
ORDINANCE NO. 9682 AYES & NAYS: Sparace Mortise Fazio Smith Anderson Dursi Sbaraglia
ADOPTED DEFEATED

AGREEMENT TO PURCHASE REAL PROPERTY

Project:	Erie Boulevard	Downtown	TAP,	/ Wheels to Heels Streetscape Improvements

PIN: 2650.57.121 Map 12 Parcel 12

By this Agreement Neighborhood Center, Inc. (hereinafter "Seller"), agrees to sell and City of Rome, (hereinafter "Buyer") agrees to purchase the real property interest(s) described below required for public right of way purposes only.

- 1. **PROPERTY DESCRIPTION**. The Seller agrees to sell, grant, and convey:
 - A temporary easement over 1359 +/- square feet of real property

Located at W. Dominick St., Rome, NY, further described as:

Being a portion of the Seller's lands described in a Warranty Deed dated 9/17/2008, and recorded on 10/10/2008, in Book 2008 of Deeds at Page 17409, Instrument No. 2008-017409 in the Office of the County Clerk for Oneida County, New York and assigned Tax Map No. 242.050-2-13.2, and being the same lands designated as Parcel 12 on Acquisition Map 12 attached hereto as Exhibit "A" (the "Property").

GPI is working for the City of Rome to provide professional engineering services related to the Downtown Transportation Alternative Program (TAP) project known as Wheels to Heals along NYS Route 46 (Erie Boulevard) from North George Street to North James Street. The project entails improvements to pedestrian facilities including curb ramps and signals, removal of segments of the access road that parallels the westbound lanes of Erie Boulevard and conversion of these areas into greenspace and a cycle track. Other improvements include replacing existing vegetation in the medians, evaluating existing signage and lighting, and modifying the existing drainage system as necessary, and provide for parking lot enhancements.

A temporary easement to be exercised in, on and over the property delineated above for the purpose of a work area in connection with the construction or reconstruction of the Downtown Transportation Alternative Program (TAP) project and appurtenances for use and exercisable during the construction or reconstruction of the Downtown Transportation Alternative Program (TAP) project and terminating upon the approval of completed work, unless sooner terminated if deemed no longer necessary for state highway purposes and released by the City of Rome.

- 2. **IMPROVEMENTS INCLUDED IN THE PURCHASE**. The following improvements, if any, now in or on the Property are included in as a part of the sale pursuant to this Agreement:
 - a. Asphalt on the southeastern corner of the building will be striped for a loading zone to accommodate deliveries and waste pick-up vehicles to access the property. (This area is already being re-paved by the Copper City Lofts project.)
 - b. Entrance driveway profile will be adjusted, and a new catch basin installed at the low point in the driveway. (This area is already being re-paved by the Copper City Lofts project.)

3. **PURCHASE PRICE**. The total purchase price is ONE THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED DOLLARS AND 00/100 \$1,300.00.

The Purchase Price includes the Property described in paragraph 1 and the improvements described in paragraph 2.

4. PAYMENT. Upon Buyer's receipt and approval of this Agreement signed by the Seller, and after authorization by appropriate administrative and legal entities as may be required by statute, and after Buyer has provided all papers necessary to convey clear title, Buyer shall pay the full Purchase Price.

In the event of any outstanding liens, a release may be required from the lien holder. Any outstanding lien payments shall be authorized by the Seller. At the time of payment, the Buyer shall issue separate checks for any such obligations and the adjusted purchase price paid to the Seller.

- 5. **CLOSING DATE AND PLACE**. Transfer of title rights shall take place at a mutually acceptable location or by mail, on or about ninety (90) days from the date of the fully executed and approved original of this Agreement.
- 6. BUYER'S POSSESSION OF THE PROPERTY. For fee simple and permanent easement acquisitions, the Buyer shall have possession of the property rights, on the day payment is received by the Seller. Any closing documents received by the Buyer prior to payment pursuant to paragraph 4 above, shall be held in escrow until such payment has been received by the Seller or the Seller's agent.

The possession and term of all temporary easements shall commence within nine months of the execution date of the temporary easement agreement. The term for all temporary easement(s) shall be for **ONE** (1) year. At the option of the Buyer, a temporary easement may be extended for two (2) additional one-year terms. Prior to the expiration of the initial term, or each extended term of the temporary easement, the Buyer shall notify the Seller in writing of its intention to exercise its option of extending the term of the temporary easement for an additional year. The compensation for each additional one-year (1) term shall be \$1,300.00. The Buyer shall include a check for the sum of \$1,300.00 with said written notification to the Seller. The temporary easement will terminate upon the approval of the completed work, unless sooner terminated if deemed no longer necessary.

- 7. TITLE DOCUMENTS. Buyer shall provide the following documents in connection with the sale:
 - a. Deed. Buyer will prepare and deliver to the Seller for execution at the time of closing all documents required to grant and convey the real property interest(s) and improvements described in paragraphs 1 and 2 above.
 - b. Abstract, Bankruptcy, Tax Searches, and Acquisition Map. Buyer will pay for a search of public records, deeds, court, and tax records and will prepare a title certification letter. Buyer will pay for and furnish to the Seller an Acquisition Map(s).
- 8. MARKETABILITY OF TITLE. If deemed necessary by the Buyer to ensure good, valid and marketable fee simple and/or permanent easement title to the Pproperty, Buyer shall pay for such curative actions necessary to clear title. Curative action is defined as such actions or efforts required to clear title, including but not limited to attending meetings, document preparation,

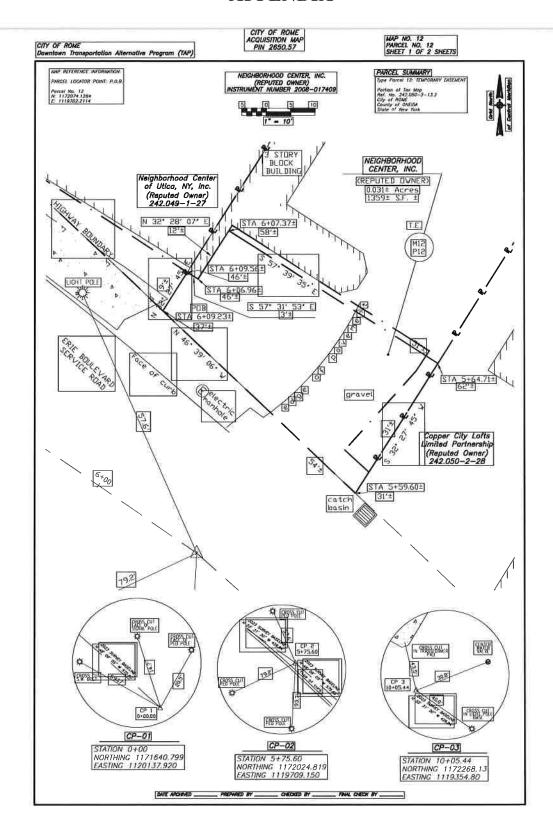
obtaining releases and recording documents necessary to establish good, valid, and marketable fee simple and/or permanent easement title.

The Seller shall be responsible for the cost to satisfy liens and encumbrances ("Encumbrances") identified by the Buyer. If there are any encumbrance's which can be cured by the payment of money, Seller shall cure such Encumbrances. The cost to cure such Encumbrances shall be deducted from the Purchase Price stated in paragraph 3 and paid to the appropriate party by the Buyer at the time of closing.

- 9. RECORDING COSTS, TRANSFER TAX & CLOSING ADJUSTMENTS. Buyer will pay all recording fees and the real property transfer tax, if applicable. The following, as applicable and as deemed appropriate by the Buyer, will be prorated and adjusted between Seller and Buyer as of the date of closing: current taxes computed on a fiscal year basis, excluding delinquent items, interest and penalties; rent payments; current common charges or assessments.
- 10. INSURANCE. The Buyer shall require that its contractor performing work on the Property shall, at all times during the duration of the project, be required to have standard liability insurance covering personal injuries and property damage caused by the contractor while working on the property.
- 11. ENTIRE AGREEMENT. This Agreement when signed by both the Seller and the Buyer contains all the agreements of the parties hereto. There are no promises, agreements, terms, conditions, warranties, representations, or statements other than contained herein. No verbal agreements or promises will be binding. This Agreement may not be changed orally.
- 12. **NOTICES**. All notices contemplated by this Agreement shall be in writing and delivered by a.) certified or registered mail, return receipt requested, b.) by email or c) by personal delivery. Notices shall be deemed delivered upon receipt. Any notices relating to this Agreement may be given or received by the parties or the attorneys for the parties.
- 13. **SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS**. This Agreement shall inure to the benefit of and be binding upon Seller and Buyer, their respective heirs, personal representatives, successors and/or assigns.

IN V	NITNESS WHEREOF, on this <u>27</u> day of <u>leb</u>	There , 2028, the parties have
	ered into this Agreement.)
Witness: /	Katheura loses-Voothers Signature:	Sandra & Soroka
1	Print Name:	Sandra L. Soroka
	Title:	Executive Director
	Date:	2/27/24
Witness:	Signature:	
	Print Name:	
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	Date:	
Witness:	Signature:	
	Print Name:	
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	Sponsor:	
	Date:	

APPENDIX



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situate in the City of Rame, County of Oncida, State of New York, as shown on the accompanying map and further described as follows:

All that piece or parcel at property hereinafter designated as Parcel No. 12 situate in the City of Rome, County of Oncida, State of New York, as shown on the accompanying map and described as follows:

Beginning at point on the division line between the property of Neighborhood Center of Utica, NY, Inc. (reputed owner) on the northwest
Beginning at point on the division line between the property of Neighborhood Center, inc. (reputed owner) on the southeast of a point 37± feet distant northeasterly measured at
right angles from station 6+09.23± of the herein described baseline for the construction of City of Rome Downtown Transportation
Atternative Program (TAP) praject, Thence along said division line North 32* 27* 45" East a distance of 9± feet to a point along said
division line soid point being 46± feet distant northeasterly measured at right angles from station 6+09.56± of the said baseline; Thence
through the property of the said Neighborhood Center, Inc. (reputed owner) the following three (3) courses and distances: (1) South 57*
31* 53" East a distance of 3± feet to a point along said division line said point being 46± feet distant northeasterly measured at right angles from station 6+06.96± of the said baseline; (2) North 32* 28* 07" East a distance of 12± feet to a point along said division line said point being her of the said baseline; (3) South 57*
39* 35* East a distance of 51± feet to a point along said division line said point being 62± feet distant northeasterly measured at right angles from station 5+64.71± of the said baseline;
Thence South 32* 27* 45* West a distance in antheasterly measured at right angles from station 5+64.71± of the said baseline;
South 57* Seet a distance of 51± feet distant northeasterly measured at right angles from station 5+69.60± of the said baseline;
Thence South 32* 27* 45* West a distant northeasterly measured at right angles from

The above mentioned Baseline is a portion of the 2023 baseline for the construction of City of Rome Downtown Transportation Afternative Program (TAP) project, and described as follows:

Beginning at Station 0+00.00 Thence North 48'09'05'West to Station 5+75.60 Thence North 55' 31' 30" West to Station 10+05.44 Bearings are based on Grid North at Central Meridian.

> NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER, INC. (REPUTED OWNER)

Total Area = 1359± S.F.

"Unauthorized alteration of a survey map bearing a licensed land surveyor's seal is a violation of the New York State Education Law."

I hereby certify that this map was prepared in accordance with current MYSDOT policies, standards and procedures. Date July 27, 2023

Suean M. Anacker Susan M. Anacker, Professional Land Surveyor, PLLC P.L.S. License No.50321

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