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This seminar is provided by the Suffolk County Planning Federation with the assistance and cooperation of the following entities:

**Suffolk County Planning Commission** - Support and guidance in the planning and delivery of the program has been provided by the Suffolk County Planning Commission (David L. Calone, Chair, Adrienne Esposito, Vice Chair, Michael Kelly, Vice Chair).

**Suffolk County** - Staff assistance is provided by the Suffolk County Department of Economic Development & Planning. The Division of Planning & Environment (Sarah Lansdale, AICP, Director) provides research and planning services to the County Executive, the Legislature and the Suffolk County Planning Commission, including advice on open space acquisitions, farmland preservation, demographic trends, municipal land use and affordable housing.

**American Planning Association (APA)** - The APA represents over 30,000 planners, elected and appointed officials and citizens concerned with land use planning. The [Long Island Section](#) of the NY Metro Chapter of APA offers programs for private and municipal planners and planning and zoning board members. Receive their monthly e-newsletter by sending your contact information to [LongIslandSection@nyplanning.org](mailto:LongIslandSection@nyplanning.org).

**New York State Department of State (NYS DOS)** - The NYS Department of State (Governor Andrew Cuomo) provides training to municipal officials who are seeking basic information about local government powers and duties in relation to the land use review and approval process. Basic land use management training courses are offered for Planning Board and Zoning Board of Appeals members, elected officials, and zoning enforcement officers.

**Brookhaven National Laboratory (BNL)** - One of ten national laboratories overseen and primarily funded by the Office of Science of the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE), Brookhaven National Laboratory conducts research in the physical, biomedical, and environmental sciences, as well as in energy technologies and national security. Brookhaven Lab also builds and operates major scientific facilities available to university, industry and government researchers. Six Nobel Prizes have been awarded for discoveries made at the Lab.

**Rauch Foundation** -The Rauch Foundation is a Long Island-based family foundation that invests in ideas and organizations that spark and sustain early success in children and systemic change in our communities. The Foundation believes in taking a comprehensive approach to problem solving, and their activities extend beyond traditional grant making to include significant research and communications efforts. To learn more about the Rauch Foundation please visit: [www.rauchfoundation.org](http://www.rauchfoundation.org)

### Directions

From the LI Expressway (Route 495), take Exit 68 north (CR46) approx. 1.7 miles. Turn right into the Lab's Main Entrance

Stop at the booth. **Valid photo identification is required.** Proceed to the light, turn left onto Upton Road, right onto Brookhaven Ave., and Berkner Hall Auditorium is on the left. Free parking is available adjacent to Berkner Hall.

**Brookhaven National Laboratory**  
Berkner Hall  
Columbia Street  
Upton, NY 11973  
(631) 344-0000

**Exit 68 LI Expressway (NYS Rte. 495)**  
North to BNL



### Suffolk County Executive Steven Bellone

Suffolk County Executive Steven Bellone took office on January 1, 2012. Previously, he served since 2001 as Babylon Town Supervisor.

In Babylon, County Executive Bellone kept that town in excellent fiscal standing even as the recession put governments at all levels in deep financial trouble. He reduced the town's debt every year he was in office, eliminated red tape to attract new businesses to Long Island, and delivered a \$4.3 million dollar tax cut to residents.

Bellone is committed to using that same approach to reduce Suffolk's debt, improve Suffolk's business environment and keep taxes low. Bellone is serious about property tax reforms to reduce the burden on homeowners which is why he supports Governor Cuomo's property tax cap. And Bellone thinks it's a shame that young people are leaving Long Island at record rates due to the high cost of housing and the lack of good-paying jobs. That's why he will incentivize businesses to move to Suffolk County and help young people stay by creating good jobs and making it less expensive to live here.

An Army Veteran, Steven Bellone feels strongly that we have an important obligation to our returning veterans. He has helped to raise nearly half a million dollars for wounded soldiers by sponsoring annual Soldier Rides with the Wounded Warrior Project and Run for the Warriors in partnership with RWDSU Local 338 to benefit Hope for the Warriors. He placed a banner across the pillars of Town Hall that reads "Thank you to our Veterans, God Bless America" at the start of the war in Iraq. He rejected efforts by two different organizations to force the town to remove the banner and pledged to keep it in place until all of our troops have returned home. Bellone also led a campaign in the Town of Babylon to support the building of the National World War II Memorial that raised more than \$25,000. He organized and escorted three busloads of WWII veterans down to Washington, DC for the dedication of the memorial in 2004.

Bellone's environmental and community revitalization initiatives have been nationally recognized for their pioneering and innovative approaches. In 2006, Babylon was the first Town on Long Island to adopt Energy Star standards for new home construction, saving residents money on their energy bills. Later that same year, Babylon adopted the most comprehensive green building code in the nation. In 2008, Bellone created the first property assessed clean energy (PACE) efficiency program in the country, Long Island Green Homes. He has lectured around the country and in Canada about this groundbreaking program that has been featured on CNN and in the NY Times and Washington Post.

In 2002, he launched Wyandanch Rising, a comprehensive, community based approach to revitalizing the most economically distressed community on Long Island. In 2009, the NYS Department of State named Wyandanch one of just three "Spotlight Communities" in the state. Wyandanch Rising was also selected in 2010 by the United States Green Building Council as one of ten projects in the nation to showcase the new LEED for Neighborhood Development standard.

Quality of Life issues have been a major focus of Bellone's career. In Babylon, he targeted serial code offenders and slumlords by creating the Quality of Life Taskforce and naming a special prosecutor for quality of life cases. He created the first Suburban Community Court in New York State in an historic partnership with the Office of Court Administration and the Suffolk County District Court. These two programs have had dramatic results: illegal businesses that were opened in residential communities have been closed, illegal rooming houses have been shut down and abandoned buildings that have sat vacant for years have been leveled.

Bellone has been a leader in using innovative solutions to solve challenges. As a father of two young daughters and a son, Bellone believes that the foremost obligation of government is to protect the most vulnerable members of our society and so, using GIS mapping technology, Bellone implemented a first-of-its-kind system to enforce residency restrictions on sex offenders. Five years ago, Bellone was the first leader in the region to use GPS technology to increase efficiency in the town's snow plows and car fleet and later he successfully implemented free Wi-Fi internet access in all parks for Babylon residents.

Steven Bellone is a graduate of North Babylon High School and he earned a BA degree at Queens College in 1991. Enlisting in the US Army in 1992, County Executive Bellone served as a Communications Specialist stationed at Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri. During his service in the Army, he was awarded commendations for meritorious service and earned a Masters Degree in Public Administration by attending night classes at Webster University. Bellone earned his Law degree from Fordham University and was admitted to the New York Bar in 1999.

He has received numerous awards for his leadership. In 2010, Bellone was named "Government Official of the Year" by the Association for a Better Long Island, one of the region's largest business groups. In 2009, he was named "Environmentalist of the Year" by the Sierra Club on Long Island and Government Official of the Year by the USGBC LI Chapter. Babylon was also selected as one of 15 international cities - a list that includes New York, London, Copenhagen, San Francisco and Vancouver - to participate in the Carbon War Room that same year, Babylon was the recipient of a NYS Department of Environmental Conservation Environmental Excellence Award.

County Executive Bellone resides in West Babylon with his wife, Tracey and their two daughters, Katherine Ann and Mollie Elizabeth, and son Michael Jack.

# Autumn Planning Conference - 2013

## SUFFOLK COUNTY PLANNING FEDERATION

In collaboration with

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SUFFOLK COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION



Brookhaven National Laboratory  
Berkner Hall  
Upton, NY

Exit 68  
LI Expressway

Thursday  
October 17, 2013



SUFFOLK COUNTY PLANNING FEDERATION

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# CONFERENCE AGENDA

**1:00 Mobile Workshop - BNL National Synchrotron Light Source II**

**2:30 Registration**

**3:00 General Session I**

- Moratoria (a) (b) (e)
- Discovery Park: A Collaborative Repurposing Project for the Future of Brookhaven National Laboratory (e)
- New Technology and Planning Concepts for Wastewater Treatment (e)

**4:40 Dinner Buffet Reception** (Sandwiches, Salads)  
Sponsored by Rauch Foundation

**5:15 Plenary Session**

### Welcoming Remarks

- Sarah Lansdale, Director, *Suffolk County Department of Economic Development & Planning, Division of Planning & Environment*
- Doon Gibbs, *Director, Brookhaven National Laboratory*
- David L. Calone, *Suffolk County Planning Commission*

- **Keynote** – Kevin Law, President and Chief Executive Officer, LIA

**6:00 General Session II**

- Planning and Zoning Case Law (a) (b) (e)
- Connect LI Rethinking Mass Transit (e)
- Designing Suburban Futures (e)

**7:40 Break with refreshments**

**8:00 General Session III**

- Enforcement of Zoning and other Local Laws (e)
- New York-Connecticut Sustainable Communities Initiative Projects on Long Island (e)
- Ethics (a) (b) (e)

The Suffolk County Planning Federation invites you to attend its annual training conference to be held this year at the Brookhaven National Laboratory in Upton. A selection of nine courses will be offered ranging from mass transit to moratoria. In addition, the conference includes a mobile workshop. The workshop will provide a tour of the BNL National Synchrotron Light Source II.

Participation in the program is recommended for planning and zoning board members, town and village board members, practicing planners, architects, environmental specialists, attorneys and other land use professionals, as well as civic and community representatives. A Suffolk County Planning Federation certificate of completion will be provided to all attendees and may serve as proof of training required.



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# PLENARY SESSION

### Moderator:

**Sarah Lansdale AICP, Director**, Suffolk County Department of Economic Development & Planning, Division of Planning & Environment

### Welcoming Remarks:

**Doon Gibbs, Director**, Brookhaven National Laboratory

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# REGISTRATION

**Autumn Planning Conference**  
**Brookhaven National Laboratory**  
**Upton, NY - Thursday October 17, 2013**



Please Return By **October 11, 2013**  
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c/o Suffolk County Division of  
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<http://www.suffolkcountyny.gov/Departments/Planning/SCPlanningFederation.aspx>

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Agency	
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- Mobile Workshop 1:00 BNL National Synchrotron Light Source II

### General Session I 3:00 - 4:40 (choose one)

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### General Session II 6:00 - 7:40 (choose one)

- Planning and Zoning Case Law (a) (b) (e)
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- Enforcement of Zoning and other Local Laws (e)
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- I Plan to earn CLE (Continuing Legal Education) credit.\*
- I Plan to earn AICP CM (Certification Maintenance) credit.\*\*

\*\* Note: AICP Certification Maintenance credit for the Autumn Planning Conference has been requested of AICP. Check the APA/AICP website for future credits.

## ...ALL CLASS SIZES ARE LIMITED...

### General Information

\*CLE credit requires a \$25.00 check made out to the Albany Law School Institute of Legal Studies and given to the instructor.

For additional information contact Andrew P. Freleng  
Suffolk County Department of Economic Development & Planning, 631-853-5191.

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BNL Wireless Registration Procedure

### FROM THE SUFFOLK COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION

On behalf of the Suffolk County Planning Commission, I am delighted to welcome you to the 2013 Suffolk County Planning Federation Autumn Planning Conference.

Suffolk County faces many challenges: we need to encourage economic growth while protecting our natural assets; we need to promote a more diverse housing stock while ensuring that we don't overburden our transportation systems and other critical infrastructure; and we need to prepare for a clean energy future through more energy efficient buildings and renewable energy generation.

These regional issues and others play out day by day and project by project across Suffolk's 43 municipalities. This planning conference provides an opportunity for decision-makers from across the county to learn about the latest trends and to exchange ideas about the land use issues that are critical to Suffolk County's future.

Particular thanks to the Rauch Foundation for sponsoring today's event and to Brookhaven National Lab and the APA's Long Island Chapter for their support. This conference also would not be possible without the leadership of Suffolk County Planning Director Sarah Lansdale and the County Planning Division staff.

We hope you enjoy the conference.

Sincerely,  
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Thursday October 17, 2013



## The 14th Annual Seminar on Planning Board and Zoning Board Fundamentals



## Mobile Workshop 1:00 p.m.

### BNL National Synchrotron Light Source II

## General Session I - 3:00 p.m.

### MORATORIA (a) (b) (e)

A moratorium is a local enactment that suspends a landowner's right to obtain development approvals while the local government considers changes to its regulations. Before enacting a moratorium, local officials should be aware of the circumstances in which a moratorium is the most appropriate action for a local government to take. This course looks at, among other things, the court cases that shaped the "rules" for adopting moratoria and the procedures local officials should follow in adopting moratorium laws.

**Participants:** **JD Wood**, Land Use Training Specialist, NYSDOS; **Natasha Esther Phillip**, Esq., Senior Attorney, NYS DOS

**Moderator:** **John Paul Whelan**, Suffolk County Planning Commission

### DISCOVERY PARK: A COLLABORATIVE REPURPOSING PROJECT FOR THE FUTURE OF BROOKHAVEN NATIONAL LABORATORY (e)

Learn about a transformative vision for Brookhaven National Laboratory and the New York region. Envisioned as a joint land use partnership with New York State and Long Island's local and regional government, as well as private industry, Discovery Park will enhance the DOE's investment and assets at Brookhaven National Laboratory and position BNL as a valued and visible community partner. In addition to basic infrastructure renewal, Discovery Park will provide enhanced services for BNL guests and users, facilitate a stronger engagement in energy technology development and deployment, substantially increase the impact of science and technology education, and promote regional economic development.

**Participants:** **Lanny Bates**, Assistant Laboratory Director for Facilities and Operations BNL

**Moderator:** **Kevin Gershowitz**, Suffolk County Planning Commission

### NEW TECHNOLOGY AND PLANNING CONCEPTS FOR WASTEWATER TREATMENT (e)

Discussions about the latest environmental issues caused by human-sourced nitrogen, planning efforts, and new technology for decentralized systems. What are our next steps? How can the towns and the County work together to improve decentralized wastewater treatment to protect both aquifer and surface water quality?

**Participants:** **Adrienne Esposito**, SC Planning Commission, **Chris Gobler**, Director of Programs at the School of Marine and Atmospheric Sciences (SoMAS) at Stony Brook University, **Glynis Berry**, SC Planning Commission, **Walter Dawydiak**, SC Department of Health Services, **Fred Thiele**, New York State Assembly

**Moderator:** **David Calone**, Suffolk County Planning Commission

## Dinner Break 4:40 p.m.

## Plenary Session 5:15

## General Session II- 6:00 p.m.

### PLANNING AND ZONING CASE LAW UPDATE (a) (b) (e)

Recent cases that pertain to land use will be summarized and the implications of them on land use regulation at the local level explored. Opinions by the New York State Attorney General, Office of State Comptroller, and Committee on Open Government that pertain to land use and local governance will also be reviewed.

**Participants:** **Natasha Esther Phillip**, Esq., Senior Attorney, NYS DOS

**Moderator:** **Jennifer Casey**, Suffolk County Planning Commission

### CONNECT LI RETHINKING MASS TRANSIT (e)

Come learn about bus rapid transit (BRT) success stories throughout the nation. We are bringing together regional and national experts to discuss BRT's power to move people, attract investment and create jobs. BRT has many benefits for travelers. It can offer an easier commute by providing frequent service into downtowns and commercial areas, and reducing the need to transfer from one mode of transportation to another (from bus to rail, or automobile to rail etc.).

**Participants:** **Sarah Lansdale**, Suffolk County Division of Planning & Environment

**Moderator:** **Michael Kaufman**, Suffolk County Planning Commission

### DESIGNING SUBURBAN FUTURES (e)

June Williamson, an architect, urban designer, professor and co-author of the award-winning book "Retrofitting Suburbia," will deliver a presentation on her latest book, "Designing Suburban Futures: New Models from Build a Better Burb" (Island Press, 2013), in which she examines new and innovative urban design ideas for how suburbs might be retrofitted and reimagined over time to sustainably absorb new growth and evolve in relation to changing demographic and economic conditions. These ideas are illustrated by thought-provoking urban design proposals for Long Island from the 2010 Build a Better Burb ideas competition. The open competition, for which June was primary consultant and juror, was sponsored by the Long Island Index, a project of the Rauch Foundation. Also presenting will be Jocelyn Wenk, AICP, Associate Director of the Long Island Index and manager of the Index's ongoing Build a Better Burb initiative.

**Participants:** **Jocelyn Wenk**, Associate Director of the Long Island Index, **June Williamson, RA, LEEP AP**, Associate Professor at The City College of New York's Spitzer School of Architecture,

**Moderator:** **Barbara Roberts**, Suffolk County Planning Commission

## General Session III - 8:00 p.m.

### ENFORCEMENT OF ZONING AND OTHER LOCAL LAWS (a) (b) (e)

Municipalities have various regulations that are an extension of their police power that aren't necessarily enforced by the police—zoning, property maintenance, and noise regulations, for example. This session reviews how these regulations are enforced, with discussion of the relationship between the enforcement officer and the review boards, the effect of an appeal of an enforcement action to the zoning board of appeals, and judicial enforcement of violations.

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**Moderator:** **Matthew Chartrand**, Suffolk County Planning Commission

### NEW YORK-CONNECTICUT SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES INITIATIVE PROJECTS ON LONG ISLAND (e)

An unprecedented bi-state collaboration of cities, counties and regional planning organizations has come together to launch New York-Connecticut Sustainable Communities. This initiative, funded with a \$3.5 million U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Sustainable Communities Regional Planning Grant, will integrate housing, economic development, transportation and environmental planning. The goal of the Consortium is to reposition the New York-Connecticut region to fully harness its innovation capabilities in a competitive global environment, build on its strong foundation of energy efficiency, and become as equitable as it is efficient. Its primary focus is to leverage the most extensive and robust transit system in the nation by developing livable communities with mixed-income housing and employment at key nodes in the MTA Metro-North Railroad and MTA Long Island Rail Road network.

On Long Island, the counties of Nassau and Suffolk and the Long Island Regional Planning Council are undertaking three projects through the Initiative to promote equitable affordable housing opportunities, develop transportation choices, improve the region's economic competitiveness, and enhance rural and suburban neighborhoods by safeguarding rural landscapes and fostering density in transit-served locations:

- Nassau Infill Redevelopment Study: The County will conduct a feasibility study of sustainable infill development and opportunities to promote transit-oriented development around up to three LIRR stations located within and surrounding the Nassau Hub Transit Study Area. Building off the County's Job Creation and Retention Plan, this study creates opportunities for serving the needs of current and future residents by: 1) rethinking land use patterns; 2) fostering transit oriented development 3) reducing auto dependence; 4) lowering carbon footprint and; 5) expanding population and tax base.
- Suffolk County Transfer of Development Rights Study: With a history of innovative open space protection programs, Suffolk County will develop recommendations for increasing the effectiveness of current transfer of development rights (TDR) programs in order to reduce redundancy and increase efficiency to better promote workforce housing, downtown revitalization, open space preservation, natural resource protection, transit-oriented and targeted economic development. Outcomes should be applicable to similar parts of the regions and growing exurban areas throughout the U.S.
- Long Island Housing Strategy: The Long Island Regional Planning Council, working with the counties of Nassau and Suffolk and other partners, will perform research, outreach and public education on the needs, benefits and impediments to increasing the availability of mixed income housing. The outcome will include a "Fair Share Housing Plan" to create mixed income housing options for all distributed throughout Long Island in transit supported locations.

**Participants:** **Satish Sood**, Nassau County Planning Commission, **Gerry Bogacz**, Planning Director, New York Metropolitan Transportation Council (NYMTC)

**Moderator:** **Glynis Berry**, Suffolk County Planning Commission

### ETHICS (e)

State and local ethics laws were created to avert conflicts of interest between the duties of government officials and private interests. Accordingly, the purpose of this ethics seminar is primarily to advise those who either serve as a public employee or official or who work with public employees and officials about New York State public ethics laws, regulations and policies. The course will serve to provide an overview of ethical standards public employees and officials are obligated to uphold and to help prevent ethics violations before they occur.

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