

MINUTES OF THE DOWNTOWN CITIZENS ADVISORY PANEL

November 27, 2017

4:00 P.M.

2nd Floor – H. Lee Dennison Building

Representatives Attending:

<u>DISTRICT</u>	<u>LEGISLATOR</u>	<u>REPRESENTATIVE</u>
2	Bridget Fleming	Susan von Freddi
3	Kate M. Browning	Jon Siebert
5	Kara Hahn	Barbara Russell
6	Sarah S. Anker	Lori Baldassare
8	William J. Lindsay III	Kay Cameron
9	Monica R Martinez	Florence Joyner
11	Thomas F. Barraga	Donna Periconi
12	Leslie Kennedy	Gina Coletti
13	Robert Trotta	Adam Wood
14	Kevin J. McCaffrey	JoAnn Boettcher
15	DuWayne Gregory	John Diliberto
Planning		Peter Lambert
County Executive Rep/Chair		Regina Zara

Representatives Absent:

1	Albert Krupski	Steven Shauger
4	Tom Muratore	Robert Martinez
7	Robert Calarco	Dennis Smith
10	Tom Cilmi	Robert Moses Kuri
16	Steve Stern	Walter Rabe
17	Lou D’Amaro	Jennifer A. Casey
18	William Spencer	Keith Barrett

Also Attending:

Annette Brownell, Head Clerk, Staff to Panel

Guest Speaker:

Diana Cherryholmes, Office of Film & Cultural Affairs

Adopted: _____

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- I. Welcome: The meeting was called to order by Regina Zara at 4:16 p.m.
- II. Consideration of the Minutes from 7/24/2017: Jon Siebert motioned and Adam Wood 2nd to accept minutes from the July 24 meeting. Motion carried. All who were absent from the meeting abstained.
- III. Correspondence: None
- IV. Speaker: Diana Cherryholmes, Suffolk County's Office of Film and Cultural Affairs, discussed Suffolk County film and cultural grant funding opportunities and how cultural arts and artistic expression fits into community development and public awareness/enjoyment; also discussed how panel members can make communities aware of possible film location opportunities. Grant opportunities for 2019 will be made available in August/September 2018 with workshops, and the deadline for 2019 applications will be in October 2018. More information can be found online www.suffolkcountyfilmcommission.com and www.suffolkartsandfilm.com

Inquiries can be directed to:
Diana J. Cherryholmes, Suffolk County Office of Film & Cultural Affairs,
Diana.cherryholmes@suffolkcountyny.gov or 631-853-4834.
- V. Old Business:
 - Reviewed and approved Application/Guidelines/Timeline for Round 16 (2018): JoAnn Boettcher motioned and Kay Cameron 2nd to accept documents and timeline presented.
 - Decision to cancel December 11 Downtown Tour: Susan von Freddi motioned and JoAnn Boettcher 2nd to cancel December tour.
- VI. New Business:
 - Zara reported the resolution to assign DTR Mastic Beach Rd 12 contract to the Town of Brookhaven is scheduled to go before full legislature on December 19, 2017.
 - Susan von Freddi motioned Adam Wood 2nd to accept 2018 Panel Meeting schedule.
 - Donna Periconi announced her retirement from the Panel as of January 1, 2018 after more than two decades of service as one of the Panel's original serving members. Donna delivered an overview of the program from inception to present day and the impact it has provided to the vibrancy of Suffolk County downtowns.
- VII. Give and Take:
 - Discussion ensued over the definition of a "downtown" and how some groups may not meet the criteria of the downtown revitalization program. Zara restated the purpose of DTR grant funds for sustainable capital improvements into the County's downtowns.
 - Susan von Freddi shared a Hampton Bays Beautification Society collateral piece newly created as a public relations tool to enhance awareness of improvements made to their community.
- VIII. Public Portion: None

Meeting adjourned 5:35 pm