

Water Mill Citizens Advisory Committee
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Minutes for May 12, 2025

Members: Rachel Verno, Jamie Egerton-Warburton, Steve Abramson, Gloria Rabinowitz, Karen Sutton, Alan Harper (on Zoom), Andrew Rouff (on Zoom)

Guests; Councilmember Rick Martel, Kara Bak: Director of Housing & Community Housing, Curtis Highsmith: Executive Director Town of Southampton Housing Authority (on Zoom), Patti Wellen Halsey, Jim Weidner, Sarah Hunnewell, Djida Oppenheim, Nancy Miller (on Zoom)

Housing Project:

- Review history of project, Town acquiring the property through CHF, project going to TOSHA and Georgia Green Ventures through RFQ process.
- Curtis reviewed all the different agencies that have already been contacted, PSEG, SCWA, Health Department. There is no archeological impact and there are some set back requirements. .
- Dave Gallo is consulting with architect John David Rose to confirm that the design of the buildings will be in character with the hamlet. Will return to the CAC when plans are further along.
- Number of units dictated by the Health Department. Discussing 20 or 21. No decision yet on size of units but it will be a mix and 2 bedrooms probably the largest.
- Discussed Fair Housing Laws and laws governing rents, developer fees, grants, management plans.
- Discussion about different projects for as many and 265 units east of the canal. After our meeting, Kara sent a detailed breakdown of money accumulated to date by CHF and a detailed breakdown of all the units in play.
- Discussed various programs that will be available for first time homebuyers and how the programs work.
- Housing Fair information.

Resolution 2025-666

- Councilmember Martel discussed the language he would like to see added to the roundabout resolution specifically the impact to surrounding roads. CAC agrees that the resolution should have language to include a study of the entire corridor and not just roundabouts. Agreed that Rachel would speak at the TB meeting to ask for that language.
- Discussed the meeting in January with Councilmember Isilli and Tom Neely.
- Discussed the Final Draft of the Traffic Mitigation and Safety Report.

Minutes taken by Rachel Verno

