

TOWN OF WEST SENECA



ENGINEERING
DEPARTMENT

January 29, 2015

TOWN SUPERVISOR
SHEILA M. MEEGAN
TOWN COUNCIL
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Honorable Town Board
Town of West Seneca

**Re: 2015 Town Hall Parking Lot
SEQRA Review and Determination**

Honorable Board Members,

We have reviewed the State Environmental Quality Review (SEQR) for the scope of Town Hall Parking Lot reconstruction work expected to be completed in 2015. We are attaching proposed responses to the various SEQR questions for the Town's review.

We believe this work should be considered an unlisted Action according to the criteria set forth in the New York State SEQRA. Unlisted actions are actions which do not meet the definitions that describe either a type 1 or type 2 action. Unlisted actions require a determination of significance, but are not necessarily subject to coordinated review. Given that this project will be performed completely on town owned property, will not require any outside permitting and will not have a significant effect on the environment, we do not feel a coordinated review is necessary.

Unlisted actions do require a SEQR determination. If you concur with the findings on the attached documents, please pass a resolution allowing the Supervisor to sign Parts 1 and 2 of the SEQR short form and to issue a negative declaration with regards to SEQR for this project. This shall be filed at the Town Clerk's office and SEQR will be closed for this project.

Very truly yours,

Steven R. Tanner

Steven R. Tanner, P.E.
Town Engineer

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cc: Files: TB.
Project

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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			
Town of West Seneca			
Name of Action or Project: West Seneca Town Hall Parking Improvements			
Project Location (describe, and attach a location map): 1250 Union Road, West Seneca, NY			
Brief Description of Proposed Action: Milling and repaving of existing Town Hall parking lot and the installation of new sidewalk connecting to Main Street and modification of the existing access drive			
Name of Applicant or Sponsor: Town of West Seneca C/O Supervisor Sheila Meegan		Telephone: 716-558-3264	
		E-Mail: smeegan@twsny.org	
Address: Town Hall 1250 Seneca Street			
City/PO: West Seneca		State: NY	Zip Code: 14224
1. Does the proposed action only involve the legislative adoption of a plan, local law, ordinance, administrative rule, or regulation? 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.			NO <input type="checkbox"/>
			YES <input type="checkbox"/>
2. Does the proposed action require a permit, approval or funding from any other governmental Agency? If Yes, list agency(s) name and permit or approval: Partial funding via DASNY			NO <input type="checkbox"/>
			YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
3.a. Total acreage of the site of the proposed action?		_____ 1.5 acres	
b. Total acreage to be physically disturbed?		_____ 0.25 acres	
c. Total acreage (project site and any contiguous properties) owned or controlled by the applicant or project sponsor?		_____ 18.11 acres	
4. Check all land uses that occur on, adjoining and near the proposed action.			
<input type="checkbox"/> Urban <input type="checkbox"/> Rural (non-agriculture) <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Residential (suburban)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Forest <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture <input type="checkbox"/> Aquatic <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify): _____			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Parkland			

<p>5. Is the proposed action,</p> <p>a. A permitted use under the zoning regulations?</p> <p>b. Consistent with the adopted comprehensive plan?</p>	<p>NO</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>YES</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>N/A</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p>
<p>6. Is the proposed action consistent with the predominant character of the existing built or natural landscape?</p>	<p>NO</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>YES</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p>	
<p>7. Is the site of the proposed action located in, or does it adjoin, a state listed Critical Environmental Area? If Yes, identify: _____</p>	<p>NO</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>YES</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p>	
<p>8. a. Will the proposed action result in a substantial increase in traffic above present levels?</p> <p>b. Are public transportation service(s) available at or near the site of the proposed action?</p> <p>c. Are any pedestrian accommodations or bicycle routes available on or near site of the proposed action?</p>	<p>NO</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>YES</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p>	
<p>9. Does the proposed action meet or exceed the state energy code requirements? If the proposed action will exceed requirements, describe design features and technologies: _____</p>	<p>NO</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>YES</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p>	
<p>10. Will the proposed action connect to an existing public/private water supply? If No, describe method for providing potable water: _____ It is a parking lot. No water required.</p>	<p>NO</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>YES</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p>	
<p>11. Will the proposed action connect to existing wastewater utilities? If No, describe method for providing wastewater treatment: _____ It is a parking lot. No wastewater treatment required.</p>	<p>NO</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>YES</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p>	
<p>12. a. Does the site contain a structure that is listed on either the State or National Register of Historic Places?</p> <p>b. Is the proposed action located in an archeological sensitive area? All work will be done in previously disturbed and developed areas.</p>	<p>NO</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>YES</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p>	
<p>13. a. Does any portion of the site of the proposed action, or lands adjoining the proposed action, contain wetlands or other waterbodies regulated by a federal, state or local agency?</p> <p>b. Would the proposed action physically alter, or encroach into, any existing wetland or waterbody? If Yes, identify the wetland or waterbody and extent of alterations in square feet or acres: _____</p>	<p>NO</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>YES</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p>	
<p>14. Identify the typical habitat types that occur on, or are likely to be found on the project site. Check all that apply: <input type="checkbox"/> Shoreline <input type="checkbox"/> Forest <input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural/grasslands <input type="checkbox"/> Early mid-successional <input type="checkbox"/> Wetland <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Urban <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Suburban</p>			
<p>15. Does the site of the proposed action contain any species of animal, or associated habitats, listed by the State or Federal government as threatened or endangered?</p>	<p>NO</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>YES</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p>	
<p>16. Is the project site located in the 100 year flood plain?</p>	<p>NO</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>YES</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p>	
<p>17. Will the proposed action create storm water discharge, either from point or non-point sources? If Yes,</p> <p>a. Will storm water discharges flow to adjacent properties? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> YES</p> <p>b. Will storm water discharges be directed to established conveyance systems (runoff and storm drains)? If Yes, briefly describe: <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES</p> <p>The project is replacement in kind. No changes to the stormwater conveyance are proposed.</p>	<p>NO</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>YES</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p>	

18. Does the proposed action include construction or other activities that result in the impoundment of water or other liquids (e.g. retention pond, waste lagoon, dam)?	NO	YES
If Yes, explain purpose and size: _____ _____ _____	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
19. Has the site of the proposed action or an adjoining property been the location of an active or closed solid waste management facility?	NO	YES
If Yes, describe: _____ _____ _____	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
20. Has the site of the proposed action or an adjoining property been the subject of remediation (ongoing or completed) for hazardous waste?	NO	YES
If Yes, describe: _____ _____ _____	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
I AFFIRM THAT THE INFORMATION PROVIDED ABOVE IS TRUE AND ACCURATE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE		
Applicant/sponsor name: _____ Date: _____		
Signature: _____		

Disclaimer: The EAF Mapper is a screening tool intended to assist project sponsors and reviewing agencies in preparing an environmental assessment form (EAF). Not all questions asked in the EAF are answered by the EAF Mapper. Additional information on any EAF question can be obtained by consulting the EAF Workbooks. Although the EAF Mapper provides the most up-to-date digital data available to DEC, you may also need to contact local or other data sources in order to obtain data not provided by the Mapper. Digital data is not a substitute for agency determinations.

- Part 1 / Question 7 [Critical Environmental Area] No
- Part 1 / Question 12a [National Register of Historic Places] No
- Part 1 / Question 12b [Archeological Sites] Yes
- Part 1 / Question 13a [Wetlands or Other Regulated Waterbodies] No
- Part 1 / Question 15 [Threatened or Endangered Animal] No
- Part 1 / Question 16 [100 Year Flood Plain] No
- Part 1 / Question 20 [Remediation Site] No

Project:

Date:

***Short Environmental Assessment Form
Part 2 - Impact Assessment***

Part 2 is to be completed by the Lead Agency.

Answer all of the following questions in Part 2 using the information contained in Part 1 and other materials submitted by the project sponsor or otherwise available to the reviewer. When answering the questions the reviewer should be guided by the concept "Have my responses been reasonable considering the scale and context of the proposed action?"

	No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
1. Will the proposed action create a material conflict with an adopted land use plan or zoning regulations?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Will the proposed action result in a change in the use or intensity of use of land?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Will the proposed action impair the character or quality of the existing community?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. Will the proposed action have an impact on the environmental characteristics that caused the establishment of a Critical Environmental Area (CEA)?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. Will the proposed action result in an adverse change in the existing level of traffic or affect existing infrastructure for mass transit, biking or walkway?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. Will the proposed action cause an increase in the use of energy and it fails to incorporate reasonably available energy conservation or renewable energy opportunities?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. Will the proposed action impact existing:		
a. public / private water supplies?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. public / private wastewater treatment utilities?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8. Will the proposed action impair the character or quality of important historic, archaeological, architectural or aesthetic resources?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9. Will the proposed action result in an adverse change to natural resources (e.g., wetlands, waterbodies, groundwater, air quality, flora and fauna)?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
10. Will the proposed action result in an increase in the potential for erosion, flooding or drainage problems?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
11. Will the proposed action create a hazard to environmental resources or human health?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Project: _____

Date: _____

Short Environmental Assessment Form Part 3 Determination of Significance

For every question in Part 2 that was answered "moderate to large impact may occur", or if there is a need to explain why a particular element of the proposed action may or will not result in a significant adverse environmental impact, please complete Part 3. Part 3 should, in sufficient detail, identify the impact, including any measures or design elements that have been included by the project sponsor to avoid or reduce impacts. Part 3 should also explain how the lead agency determined that the impact may or will not be significant. Each potential impact should be assessed considering its setting, probability of occurring, duration, irreversibility, geographic scope and magnitude. Also consider the potential for short-term, long-term and cumulative impacts.

Check this box if you have determined, based on the information and analysis above, and any supporting documentation, that the proposed action may result in one or more potentially large or significant adverse impacts and an environmental impact statement is required.

Check this box if you have determined, based on the information and analysis above, and any supporting documentation, that the proposed action will not result in any significant adverse environmental impacts.

Town of West Seneca Town Board

 Name of Lead Agency

 Date

Sheila Meegan

 Print or Type Name of Responsible Officer in Lead Agency

 Supervisor

 Title of Responsible Officer

 Signature of Responsible Officer in Lead Agency

 Signature of Preparer (if different from Responsible Officer)

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