MEMORANDUM FROM:
OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY SUPERVISOR

TO: SUPERVISOR PHIL NOLAN
COUNCILMAN STEVEN J. FLOTTERON
COUNCILMAN JOHN H. EDWARDS
COUNCILMAN GENE PARRINGTON
COUNCILWOMAN TRISH BERGIN WEICHBRODT

FROM: JEANINE DILLON, DEPUTY SUPERVISOR

RE: TOWN BOARD DISCUSSION AGENDA

Town Board establishment of a Sustainable Complete Streets Policy

FOR INCLUSION ON THE TOWN BOARD DISCUSSION AGENDA ON AUGUST 17, 2010 AT 1 PM IN THE ISLIP TOWN HALL BOARD ROOM.

SHOULD YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, OR IF YOU REQUIRE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION RELATIVE TO THE ATTACHED, PLEASE CONTACT:

Steve Flotteron  Phil Nolan

IF YOU HAVE ANY COMMENTS, PLEASE ADVISE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

enclosure:

cc: REGINA V. DUFFY, TOWN CLERK
EUGENE MURPHY, COMMISSIONER, PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT
JOSEPH LUDWIG, COMPTROLLER
AMY BASTA, PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICER
TOWN of ISLIP
SPONSOR’S MEMORANDUM
FOR TOWN BOARD RESOLUTIONS

INSTRUCTIONS: All items for Town Board action must be accompanied by a sponsor’s memorandum which shall be the covering document for all agenda submissions. All items shall be reported to the Deputy Supervisor no later than 12 days prior to the scheduled meeting.

PURPOSE: Describe the essence of the attached resolution and give a brief background. Explain any policy implications, whether this item has previously been before the Board, and if any similar resolutions have previously been passed or denied by the Board.

Establishment of a Sustainable Complete Streets Policy by the Town of Islip

SPECIFY WHERE APPLICABLE:
1. Entity or individual benefitted by resolution:

2. Site or location effected by resolution:

3. Cost

4. Budget Line:

5. Amount and source of outside funding:

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT: Is this action subject to a SEQRA environmental review?

_____ Yes under Section I, Sub. A., Number ___ of Town of Islip 617 Check List, an environmental review is required.

_____x No under Section II, Sub. __, Number ___ of Town of Islip 617 Check List, no environmental review is required.

STEVEN FLOTTERON Date 8/5/10
WHEREAS, "Complete Streets" are defined as roadways that enable safe and convenient access for all users, including bicyclists, children, persons with disabilities, motorists, movers of commercial goods, pedestrians, users of public transportation and seniors; and

WHEREAS, "Sustainable Complete Streets" are defined as Complete Streets with elements of design, construction and operation that also serve environmental sustainability; and

WHEREAS, streets that support and invite multiple uses, including safe, active and ample space for pedestrians, bicycles, and public transportation, are more conducive to the public life and efficient movement of people than streets designed primarily to move automobiles and trucks; and

WHEREAS, promoting pedestrian, bicycle and public transportation travel as an alternative to the automobile reduces negative environmental impacts, promotes healthy living, and is less costly to the commuter; and

WHEREAS the full integration of all modes of travel in the design of streets and highways will increase the capacity and efficiency of the road network, reduce traffic congestion by improving mobility options, limit greenhouse gas emissions, and improve the general quality of life; and

WHEREAS, many studies show that when roads are better designed for bicycling, walking and transit use, more people do so; and

WHEREAS, the design and construction of new roads and facilities should anticipate future demand for biking, walking, and other alternative transportation facilities and not preclude the provision of future improvements; and
WHEREAS, Complete Streets are supported by the Institute of Traffic Engineers, and American Planning Association, and many other transportation, planning and public health professionals;

NOW, THEREFORE, on motion of seconded by

be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Islip hereby establishes and adopts a sustainable Complete Streets Policy whereby all street projects, including design, planning, reconstruction, rehabilitation, maintenance, or operations by the Town of Islip shall be designed and executed in a balanced, responsible and equitable way to accommodate and encourage travel by bicyclists, public transportation vehicles and their passengers, and pedestrians of all ages and abilities; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Town shall provide for the needs of drivers, public transportation vehicles and patrons, bicyclists, and pedestrians of all ages and abilities in all planning, programming, design, construction, reconstruction, retrofit, operations, and maintenance activities and products; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Town shall view all transportation improvements as opportunities to improve safety, access, and mobility for all travelers in the Town and recognizes bicycle, pedestrian and transit modes as integral elements of the transportation system.

Upon a vote being taken, the result was: