

RESOLUTION #XX of 2023 OF THE WEBSTER TOWN BOARD TO APPLY FOR RESTORE NEW YORK FUNDING TO DEMOLISH AND/OR RESTORE AN AREA OF RIDGE ROAD IN THE TOWN OF WEBSTER (AN AREA FORMERLY KNOWN AS WEST WEBSTER) AND SET FORTH FINDINGS IN CONNECTION WITH SUCH APPLICATION

At a meeting of the Webster Town Board of the Town of Webster, Monroe County, New York, held at the Town Board Meeting Room, 1002 Ridge Road, in the Town of Webster, New York on the 19th day of January, 2023, at 7:30 p.m., there were present:

Supervisor Thomas J. Flaherty
Councilman William G. Abbott
Councilman John J. Cahill
Councilwoman Patricia T. Cataldi
Councilwoman Ginny L. Nguyen

The following Resolution was offered by _____ and moved its adoption:

WHEREAS, the 2022-2023 New York State Budget has provided new funding for the Restore New York Communities Initiative and given Empire State Development the responsibility of implementing this program for the purpose of revitalizing communities and stabilizing neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, municipalities, defined as cities, towns, and villages, have been invited to submit a Request for Funding Proposal for any project to demolish, deconstruct, rehabilitate and/or reconstruct vacant, abandoned, condemned and surplus properties; and

WHEREAS, in order to be eligible for such funding, a Restore NY Application must be certified by the chief elected official of each such municipality, and must, as part of such Application include a Property Assessment List, among other pertinent items and documents; and

WHEREAS, it is required to apply for such funding that a Property Assessment List must be published in a local daily newspaper either in print or online for three consecutive days, and evidence of such publication must be included in the Application; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing is required to be held to discuss the Restore NY Application and the Property Assessment List; and

WHEREAS, an applying municipality's legislative body must pass a resolution finding that the proposed project is consistent with the municipality's local revitalization plan; and

WHEREAS, a resolution must be passed finding that the proposed financing is appropriate for the specific project, that the project facilitates effective and efficient use of existing and future public resources so as to promote both economic development and preservation of community resources; and

WHEREAS, a resolution must be passed finding that the project develops and enhances infrastructure and/or other facilities in a manner that will attract, create and sustain employment opportunities where applicable; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has considered and is considering an application to sponsor a project to demolish and/or rehabilitate a targeted area of (old) Ridge Road and Gravel Road in the Hamlet of West Webster and, which project includes and involves five vacant properties totaling over 18,000 square feet centered around the intersection of (old) Ridge Road and Gravel Road in the Hamlet formerly known as West Webster; and

WHEREAS, it appears that the age of the structures involved and the size of the lots involved have made these buildings functionally and economically obsolete, resulting in high vacancy rates; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Webster has identified the revitalization of the area formerly known as West Webster to be a priority in its most current Comprehensive Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Webster has undertaken a Revitalization Planning Study that is expected to be complete in Spring 2023 which identifies this intersection, and the improvement of properties in its vicinity as the primary focus area; and

WHEREAS, a significant concern is the vacant, abandoned and asbestos/lead contaminated property at 600 Ridge Road, and the four nearby properties at 602 Ridge Road, 603 Ridge Road and 1041 Gravel Road and 1043 Gravel Road all of which will need to be significantly rehabilitated to meet contemporary standards for commercial and residential uses; and

WHEREAS, a Notice of Public Hearing was published in the weekly edition of the *Webster Herald* for three consecutive weeks on December 28, 2022, January 4, 2023, and January 11, 2023 and posted on the Town's Website and on the Town Clerk's Bulletin Board at 1000 Ridge Road, Webster, New York; and

WHEREAS, the Public Hearing to consider the proposed application to a seek Restore New York Funding for an area of the Town formerly known as West Webster, specifically the vacant, abandoned and asbestos/lead contaminated property at 600 Ridge Road, and four adjacent properties at 602 Ridge Road, 603 Ridge Road, 1041 Gravel Road and 1043 Gravel Road was held by the Webster Town Board on January 12, 2023 at 5:30 p.m., and all interested persons having had an opportunity to be heard at the Public Hearing; and

WHEREAS, a short Environmental Assessment Form (EAF) for the proposed action has been prepared, and has been submitted to the Town Board and reviewed by the Town Board:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

1. That the notice of hearing was published and posted as required by law, and it was otherwise sufficient.

2. That the only interested or involved agencies are the Town and the State offices to which the Town must apply for the requisite funding.
3. The proposed action is an “unlisted” action under the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act.
4. That the Town of Webster has assessed the potential environmental significance of the proposed actions, that the same will not have a significant effect on the environment based on the criteria established by the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act and the regulations thereto, in fact, will improve, rehabilitate and enhance the environment, human and community resources involved, and as such, the Town Board of the Town of Webster issues its declaration of non-significance for such proposed actions.
5. That all the property and property owners and the hamlet formerly known as West Webster shall be benefitted thereby.
6. That the proposed project, i.e., rehabilitation of the subject properties, (the “Property Assessment List”) to-wit,

**Site 1: Owner – Ridgepointe Drive 1 Corp.
600 Ridge Road
SBL 078.20-1-11**

**Site 2: Owner – Louis Buddy LLC
602 Ridge Road
SBL 078.20-1-16**

**Site 3: Owner – Aqua Valley Inc.
603 Ridge Road
SBL 078.20-1-68**

**Site 4 Owner – Hopwood LLC
1041 Gravel Road
SBL – 078.20-1-84**

**Site 5 Owner – Carl A. Provenzano, et al.
1043 Gravel Road
SBL – 078.20-1-83**

is consistent with the Town’s local revitalization plan.

7. That the project facilitates effective and efficient use of existing and future public resources, promotes both economic development and preservation of community resources.
8. That the project develops and enhances infrastructure and/or other facilities in a manner that will attract, create and sustain employment opportunities where applicable.

9. That it is in the public interest that the Town of Webster apply for Restore New York Funding for the above properties and therefore, the Town Board approves an Application to sponsor a project to demolish and/or rehabilitate a targeted area at the intersection of (old) Ridge Road and Gravel Road in the Hamlet of West Webster and, which project includes and involves the above five mentioned vacant properties totaling over 18,000 square feet centered around the intersection of (old) Ridge Road and Gravel Road in the Hamlet formerly known as West Webster, and authorizes the Supervisor to certify the list of properties above to be included within such Application.

Seconded by _____ and duly put to a vote, which resulted as follows:

Vote on motion:

Supervisor Thomas J. Flaherty	Aye/Nay
Councilman William G. Abbott	Aye/Nay
Councilman John J. Cahill	Aye/Nay
Councilwoman Patricia T. Cataldi	Aye/Nay
Councilwoman Ginny L. Nguyen	Aye/Nay

MOTION CARRIED

ENTER: January 19, 2023

DOROTHY M. MAGUIRE
Town Clerk
Town of Webster