

NASSAU COUNTY LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEES MEETING

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PRESIDING OFFICER

PLANNING, DEVELOPMENT AND ENVIRONMENT
COMMITTEE

LAURA SCHAEFER
CHAIRWOMAN

Monday, February 6, 2023
2:58 p.m.

TAKEN BY: KAREN LORENZO, OFFICIAL COURT REPORTER

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LEGISLATOR LAURA SCHAEFER CHAIRWOMAN
LEGISLATOR THOMAS MCKEVITT VICE CHAIRMAN
LEGISLATOR JOHN GIUFFRE
LEGISLATOR CARRIE A. SOLAGES RANKING MEMBER
LEGISLATOR SIELA BYNOE (Excused)
LEGISLATOR DELIA DERIGGI-WHITTON (SUBBING)
LEGISLATOR ARNOLD DRUCKER

MICHAEL PULITZER Clerk of the Legislature

A L S O A P P E A R E D

KEN ARNOLD, PUBLIC WORKS

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CHAIRWOMAN SCHAEFER: At this time,
I'd like to call the Planning,
Development and Environment Committee to
order and I will ask the Clerk to please
call the roll.

CLERK PULITZER: Thank you, Madam
Chairwoman. Legislator Arnold Drucker?

LEGISLATOR DRUCKER: Here.

CLERK PULITZER: Legislator Siela
Bynoe?

LEGISLATOR BYNOE: Here.

CLERK PULITZER: Ranking Member
Carrie A. Solages?

LEGISLATOR SOLAGES: Here.

CLERK PULITZER: Legislator Denise
Ford?

LEGISLATOR FORD: Here.

CLERK PULITZER: Legislator John
Giuffre?

LEGISLATOR GIUFFRE: Here.

CLERK PULITZER: Vice Chairman
Thomas McKevitt?

LEGISLATOR MCKEVITT: Here.

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2 CLERK PULITZER: Chairwoman Laura
3 Schaefer?

4 CHAIRWOMAN SCHAEFER: Here.

5 CLERK PULITZER: We have a quorum,
6 Ma'am.

7 CHAIRWOMAN SCHAEFER: Thank you.

8 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: Clerk,
9 can I ask you a personal favor? Can I
10 substitute for Legislator Bynoe? She's
11 just in the middle of something.

12 CLERK PULITZER: Will do. Thank you.
13 For the record.

14 CHAIRWOMAN SCHAEFER: Okay. We have
15 one item on the agenda today. It's Clerk,
16 Item 66-23.

17 Clerk Item 66-23 is an ordinance
18 making certain determinations pursuant to
19 the State Environmental Quality Review
20 Act regarding an amendment to a license
21 and operating agreement between the
22 County of Nassau and Cornell Cooperative
23 Extension of Nassau County, and
24 authorizing the County Executive of the
25 County of Nassau to execute said

amendment and all pertinent documents in connection, therewith.

May I have a motion? Moved by Legislator Giuffre, Seconded by Legislator Solages.

The item is before us.

COMMISSIONER ARNOLD: Good afternoon, Ken Arnold Public Works.

This is to amend an existing license that Cornell Cooperative has with regards to the East Meadow Farm. This amendment will extend the license for ten years and will increase the premise for the building of an educational facility on the property. The County providing \$400,000, the remainder is coming from grants that Cornell is securing.

Here for any questions.

CHAIRWOMAN SCHAEFER: Any legislators have any questions?

LEGISLATOR MCKEVITT: Yes.

CHAIRWOMAN SCHAEFER: Legislator McKevitt.

LEGISLATOR MCKEVITT: Yes,

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2 Commissioner. Just to reiterate,
3 Cornell's already had a long term
4 agreement with the County, and this is
5 just take over that additional corner
6 parcel at the corner of Merrick Avenue
7 and Ludington, where there used to be an
8 old house there where there's a fire a
9 couple of years ago, correct?

10 COMMISSIONER ARNOLD: That is
11 correct. Used to be a house on the
12 property that was part of the Smith &
13 Degroat's portfolio. With the fire we did
14 not put it back into service. We
15 demolished the house probably last year
16 and Cornell's utilizing that property for
17 this educational center.

18 LEGISLATOR MCKEVITT: I just want to
19 thank your department. Because I know it
20 was quite an eyesore for quite a while.
21 I know the County went out and demolished
22 it. There's a lot of work involved with
23 that. But again, a lot of residents of
24 East Meadow asked me for quite some time
25 to do that. I just want to thank your

department for the work on that.

COMMISSIONER ARNOLD: Thank you.

LEGISLATOR MCKEVITT: All right.

CHAIRWOMAN SCHAEFER: Any other
legislators?

(Whereupon, no verbal
response.)

CHAIRWOMAN SCHAEFER: Any public
comment on this item?

(Whereupon, no verbal
response.)

CHAIRWOMAN SCHAEFER: There being
none. All those in favor of passing this
Item, please signify by saying, "Aye".

(Whereupon, all members of
the Planning, Development and
Environmental Committee respond
in favor with, "Aye".)

CHAIRWOMAN SCHAEFER: Any opposed?

(Whereupon, no verbal
response.)

CHAIRWOMAN SCHAEFER: The item
passes unanimously. There is no other
business in front of this Committee.

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2 May I please have a motion to
3 adjourn? Moved by Legislator McKevitt,
4 seconded by Legislator Ford. All those in
5 favor signify by saying, "Aye".

6 (Whereupon, all members of
7 the Planning, Development and
8 Environmental Committee respond
9 in favor with, "Aye".)

10 CHAIRWOMAN SCHAEFER: Planning is
11 now adjourned. Public Works will now be
12 next.

13 (Whereupon, the Planning
14 Committee is adjourned, 3:02
15 p.m.)
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C E R T I F I C A T E

STATE OF NEW YORK)

: SS.:

COUNTY OF NASSAU)

I, KAREN LORENZO, a Notary Public
for and within the State of New York, do
hereby certify:

That the above is a correct
transcription of my stenographic notes.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto
set my hand this 6th day of February, 2023.

Karen Lorenzo

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