



Mattituck-Laurel Civic Association

Inform Enhance Preserve

Special Meeting

Monday August 5, 2019

What Is The Resolution & Why Does It Matter?

The Resolution: Make the Last Green Corner in Mattituck a Park

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Until protective and transformative initiatives are implemented for the heart of Mattituck, Southold Town should follow the path most protective of Mattituck's health, safety, and environment. That path includes a village green on The Last Green Corner.

The Mattituck community has long sought to transform the wooded acres at the corner of Main Road and New Suffolk Avenue into a village green. The community's efforts have been supported by at least three professional planning studies, Southold Town, and Suffolk County.

Until vehicular and pedestrian hazards are resolved on Main Road between Bay Avenue and Wickham Avenue, nothing should be done in the heart of Mattituck that increases density and worsens traffic.

Southold Town should implement its Comprehensive Plan with the Plan's current commitment to making The Last Green Corner a public park.

VOTE: Tonight, online at mattitucklaurelcivic.org, or at MLCA's August 26 Regular Meeting, 6:30 p.m., American Legion Hall

The Last Green Corner Status

Southold Town Moratorium

- Six-month moratorium on building approvals and permits
- Bay Avenue to Wickham Avenue along Main Road in Mattituck
- Adopted February 27, 2019
- Public Hearing Scheduled Tuesday, August 27, 2019, Southold Town Hall
- Will the moratorium be renewed? Find out at the Aug. 27 meeting
- Meanwhile: Southold Town sued by owner of 1.78 acres at corner of Main Road and New Suffolk Avenue

The Last Green Corner and Walkable Hamlet Status Update

What is the MLCA doing?

Working to fulfill the Resolution up for a vote at August meeting

- Safer community: Calm traffic, walkable and pedestrian friendly
- More proactive community: Poised to manage inevitable growth
- Working with Southold Town and Suffolk County officials on the traffic study and safety audit

How is MLCA doing this?

- Southold Town Comprehensive Plan engagement at all public hearings
- Expanding partnerships, continuing dialogue
- SUNY-Syracuse – Follow-up on the 2018 design study
- Resubmitted MLCA documents previously submitted to Southold Town
- Southold Town and Suffolk County discussions
- Local community and organizations discussions
- Other Southold Town civic associations
- Seeking a Safety Walking Tour Audit to augment current traffic study (September)
- Exploring legislative funds and other grants and donations for study and plan development

Southold Town Comprehensive Plan

Appears to be aligned with Inform-Enhance-Preserve and the requests, dialogue, and common goals to date

- Guiding document for the future of Mattituck-Laurel and Southold Town
- Town's guide for managing growth and change
- Water quality and access, zoning and growth impact, density and infrastructure
- Goals articulated with a living document to be responsive to change
- MLCA has stated its support for plan adoption and resubmitted two MLCA reports (traffic, growth)
- Town information sessions planned throughout August
- Town Board public comment hearing at a Board meeting to-be-announced
 - Read the plan and provide the Town your input
 - Smaller group input sessions across the Town
 - Use the Southold Town Website for updates and communication: They want our questions and comments!

The Resolution Before The Civic: Make the Last Green Corner in Mattituck a Park

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What's Next?

Encourage and facilitate “letters to the editor”

Place opinion pieces in local media

Pitch our story about the Last Green Corner and the Walkable Hamlet to local media

Stay current and involved – and push for park on the Last Green Corner

Membership to vote on the resolution at the August 26th meeting 6:30 PM (if folks want to vote and are not members, join the Civic!) Results and background will be shared with Southold Town Board, Southold Planning Board, and local Civics and other community organizations as a matter of public record and to inform, enhance preserve.

Online voting will be provided for members after this meeting.

MLCA will continue to participate in all public hearings related to corner property and any land use issues along the moratorium area.