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#### Full Environmental Assessment Form Part 1 - Project and Setting

#### **Instructions for Completing Part 1**

**Part 1 is to be completed by the applicant or project sponsor.** 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; indicate whether missing information does not exist, or is not reasonably available to the sponsor; and, when possible, generally describe work or studies which would be necessary to update or fully develop that information.

Applicants/sponsors must complete all items in Sections A & B. In Sections C, D & E, most items contain an initial question that must be answered either "Yes" or "No". If the answer to the initial question is "Yes", complete the sub-questions that follow. If the answer to the initial question is "No", proceed to the next question. Section F allows the project sponsor to identify and attach any additional information. Section G requires the name and signature of the applicant or project sponsor to verify that the information contained in Part 1 is accurate and complete.

#### A. Project and Applicant/Sponsor Information.

Name of Action or Project:
Yorktown Heights Overlay District Zoning

Project Location (describe, and attach a general location map):

Yorktown Heights hamlet, Town of Yorktown, Westchester County (see Figure 1 and Figure 2)

Brief Description of Proposed Action (include purpose or need):

The Town of Yorktown is proposing a zoning overlay for a portion of Yorktown Heights hamlet to promote downtown revitalization, economic development, and to provide housing opportunities in the hamlet. The proposed Yorktown Heights Planned Design District Overlay Zone would permit multifamily residential developments, mixed-use residential and commercial buildings, and live/work units in an area that is mostly zoned for commercial development. The proposed zoning would also allow developments to have a floor-area ratio (FAR) of 0.55, and would permit buildings heights of three stories or four stories if the site is ten acres or larger. The underlying zoning would regulate area and bulk requirements, however the Planning Board may be guided by the area and bulk requirements of the R-3 district for residential and mixed-use developments.

The Yorktown Heights Planned Design District Overlay Zone is being reviewed at the same time as the Lake Osceola Development Overlay Zone, however they each have a separate EAF. The two districts are in different parts of the Town of Yorktown, are in different school districts, do not rely on each other, and do not influence each other.

Name of Applicant/Sponsor:	Telephone: (914) 962-5722		
Yorktown Town Board	E-Mail:		
Address: 363 Underhill Avenue			
City/PO: Yorktown Heights	State: New York	Zip Code: 10598	
Project Contact (if not same as sponsor; give name and title/role):	Telephone: (914) 962-6	565	
John Tegeder, Director of Planning	E-Mail: jtegeder@yorktownny.org		
Address: 1974 Commerce Street (Albert A. Capellini Community and Cultural Center)			
	Ch. t. c.	<b>7</b> ' C 1	
City/PO:	State:	Zip Code:	
Yorktown Heights	New York	10598	
Property Owner (if not same as sponsor):	Telephone:		
	E-Mail:		
Address:			
City/PO:	State:	Zip Code:	

#### **B.** Government Approvals

B. Government Approvals, Funding, or Sponsorship.	("Funding	" includes grants,	, loans, ta	ax relief, an	d any other	forms	of financial
assistance.)							

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Government Entity	If Yes: Identify Agency and Approval(s) Required	Application Date (Actual or projected)		
a. City Counsel, Town Board,  ✓Yes or Village Board of Trustees	No Town Board Adoption	December 2021		
b. City, Town or Village	No Yorktown Planning Board Recommendation	December 2021		
c. City, Town or Yes Village Zoning Board of Appeals	No			
d. Other local agencies	No			
e. County agencies	No Westchester County Planning Department: Non-binding 239-m Review	December 2021		
f. Regional agencies	No			
g. State agencies	No			
h. Federal agencies	No			
i. Coastal Resources.i. Is the project site within a Coastal Area, or the waterfront area of a Designated Inland Waterway?□Yes ☑No				
<i>ii.</i> Is the project site located in a community with an approved Local Waterfront Revitalization Program? □ Yes ☑ No <i>iii.</i> Is the project site within a Coastal Erosion Hazard Area? □ Yes ☑ No				

#### C. Planning and Zoning

C.1. Planning and zoning actions.	
<ul> <li>Will administrative or legislative adoption, or amendment of a plan, local law, ordinance, rule or regulation be the only approval(s) which must be granted to enable the proposed action to proceed?</li> <li>If Yes, complete sections C, F and G.</li> <li>If No, proceed to question C.2 and complete all remaining sections and questions in Part 1</li> </ul>	<b>₽</b> Yes <b>□</b> No
C.2. Adopted land use plans.	
a. Do any municipally- adopted (city, town, village or county) comprehensive land use plan(s) include the site where the proposed action would be located?	<b>∠</b> Yes <b>□</b> No
If Yes, does the comprehensive plan include specific recommendations for the site where the proposed action would be located?	<b>⊿</b> Yes <b>□</b> No
<ul> <li>b. Is the site of the proposed action within any local or regional special planning district (for example: Greenway; Brownfield Opportunity Area (BOA); designated State or Federal heritage area; watershed management plan; or other?)</li> <li>If Yes, identify the plan(s):</li> </ul>	<b>⊿</b> Yes <b>□</b> No
NYC Watershed Boundary Hudson Valley Greenway Compact,	
<ul> <li>c. Is the proposed action located wholly or partially within an area listed in an adopted municipal open space plan, or an adopted municipal farmland protection plan?</li> <li>If Yes, identify the plan(s):</li> </ul>	∐Yes <b>Z</b> No

C.3. Zoning	
a. Is the site of the proposed action located in a municipality with an adopted zoning law or ordinance. If Yes, what is the zoning classification(s) including any applicable overlay district? Residential Districts: R1-10, R1-40, R-2, RSP-2. Commercial Districts: C-1, C-2R, C-3. Industrial Districts: I-2	Yes∏No
b. Is the use permitted or allowed by a special or conditional use permit? $N/A$ - Proposed Action is a Zoning Overlay	]Yes]No
<ul> <li>c. Is a zoning change requested as part of the proposed action?</li> <li>If Yes,</li> <li><i>i</i>. What is the proposed new zoning for the site? New Overlay District: Yorktown Heights Planning Design District Overlay Zone</li> </ul>	ZYes⊡No e
C.4. Existing community services.	
a. In what school district is the project site located? Yorktown Heights Central School District	
b. What police or other public protection forces serve the project site? Yorktown Police Department	
c. Which fire protection and emergency medical services serve the project site? Yorktown Fire Department, Yorktown Volunteer Ambulance Corps	
d. What parks serve the project site? Jun <u>ior Lake Park, North County Trailway, Franklin Delano Roosevelt State Park</u>	

#### D. Project Details

#### **D.1. Proposed and Potential Development**

a. What is the general nature of the proposed action (e.g., residential, industric components)?	ial, commercial, recreational; if mixed, include all
b. a. Total acreage of the site of the proposed action?	acres
b. Total acreage to be physically disturbed?	acres
c. Total acreage (project site and any contiguous properties) owned	
or controlled by the applicant or project sponsor?	acres
c. Is the proposed action an expansion of an existing project or use?	☐ Yes⊟ No
<i>i</i> . If Yes, what is the approximate percentage of the proposed expansion an	
d. Is the proposed action a subdivision, or does it include a subdivision?	□Yes □No
If Yes,	
<i>i</i> . Purpose or type of subdivision? (e.g., residential, industrial, commercial;	if mixed, specify types)
<i>ii.</i> Is a cluster/conservation layout proposed?	□Yes □No
iii. Number of lots proposed?	4
<i>iv</i> . Minimum and maximum proposed lot sizes? Minimum M	
e. Will the proposed action be constructed in multiple phases?	☐ Yes ☐ No
<i>i</i> . If No, anticipated period of construction:	months
<i>ii.</i> If Yes:	
• Total number of phases anticipated	
• Anticipated commencement date of phase 1 (including demolition)	month year
<ul> <li>Anticipated completion date of final phase</li> </ul>	monthyear
Generally describe connections or relationships among phases, inclu     determine timing or duration of future phases:	uding any contingencies where progress of one phase may

	t include new resid				☐Yes ☐No
If Yes, show num	bers of units propo				
	One Family	<u>Two Family</u>	Three Family	Multiple Family (four or more)	
Initial Phase					
At completion of all phases					
of all phases					
	osed action include	new non-residentia	al construction (inclu	uding expansions)?	□Yes □No
If Yes,					
<i>i</i> . Total number	of structures		height.	width; andlength	
<i>iii.</i> Approximate	extent of building	snace to be heated	or cooled:	widui, andiengui	
				l result in the impoundment of any	□Yes □No
				agoon or other storage?	
If Yes,					
<i>i</i> . Purpose of the	impoundment:		r	Ground water Surface water strea	
<i>ii</i> . If a water imp	oundment, the prin	cipal source of the	water:	Ground water Surface water strea	ms []Other specify:
<i>iii</i> . If other than v	vater, identify the ty	ype of impounded/	contained liquids an	d their source.	
<i>iv.</i> Approximate	size of the propose	d impoundment.	Volume:	million gallons; surface area:	acres
v. Dimensions o	f the proposed dam	or impounding st	ructure:	million gallons; surface area: height; length	
vi. Construction	method/materials f	for the proposed da	um or impounding st	ructure (e.g., earth fill, rock, wood, con	crete):
D.2. Project Op	erations				
		any excavation m	ining or dredging d	uring construction, operations, or both	? Yes No
				or foundations where all excavated	
materials will r		, <u>9</u> 6			
If Yes:					
				o be removed from the site?	
	(specify tons or cull at duration of time				
			be excavated or dred	ged, and plans to use, manage or dispos	se of them.
iv. Will there be	onsite dewatering	or processing of ex	cavated materials?		Yes No
v. What is the to	tal area to be dredg	ed or excavated?	- 4:man 9	acres	
vi. What would h	aximum area to be	worked at any one	or dredging?	acres	
<i>viii.</i> Will the exca	vation require blas	ting?	of dredging:	1001	<b>Yes</b> No
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				crease in size of, or encroachment	Yes No
into any existi If Yes:	ng wetland, waterb	ody, shoreline, bea	ch or adjacent area?		
	vetland or waterbod	which would be	affected (by name y	water index number, wetland map num	per or geographic
				water index number, wettand map num	

<i>ii.</i> Describe how the proposed action would affect that waterbody or wetland, e.g. excavation, fill, placeme alteration of channels, banks and shorelines. Indicate extent of activities, alterations and additions in squ	
<i>iii.</i> Will the proposed action cause or result in disturbance to bottom sediments? If Yes, describe:	□Yes □No
<i>iv.</i> Will the proposed action cause or result in the destruction or removal of aquatic vegetation? If Yes:	☐ Yes ☐ No
acres of aquatic vegetation proposed to be removed:	
expected acreage of aquatic vegetation remaining after project completion:	
• purpose of proposed removal (e.g. beach clearing, invasive species control, boat access):	
proposed method of plant removal:	
if chemical/herbicide treatment will be used, specify product(s):	
v. Describe any proposed reclamation/mitigation following disturbance:	
c. Will the proposed action use, or create a new demand for water?	☐Yes ☐No
If Yes:	
<i>i</i> . Total anticipated water usage/demand per day: gallons/day	
<i>ii.</i> Will the proposed action obtain water from an existing public water supply?	□Yes □No
<ul><li>If Yes:</li><li>Name of district or service area:</li></ul>	
<ul> <li>Does the existing public water supply have capacity to serve the proposal?</li> </ul>	☐ Yes ☐ No
<ul> <li>Is the project site in the existing district?</li> </ul>	$\Box$ Yes $\Box$ No
<ul> <li>Is expansion of the district needed?</li> </ul>	$\Box$ Yes $\Box$ No
<ul> <li>Do existing lines serve the project site?</li> </ul>	$\Box$ Yes $\Box$ No
iii. Will line extension within an existing district be necessary to supply the project?	$\Box Y es \Box No$
If Yes:     Describe extensions or capacity expansions proposed to serve this project:	
• Source(s) of supply for the district:	
<i>iv.</i> Is a new water supply district or service area proposed to be formed to serve the project site? If, Yes:	☐ Yes No
<ul> <li>Applicant/sponsor for new district:</li> <li>Date application submitted or anticipated:</li> </ul>	
Proposed source(s) of supply for new district:	
<i>v</i> . If a public water supply will not be used, describe plans to provide water supply for the project:	
<i>vi</i> . If water supply will be from wells (public or private), what is the maximum pumping capacity:	gallons/minute.
d. Will the proposed action generate liquid wastes?	☐ Yes ☐No
If Yes:	
<i>i</i> . Total anticipated liquid waste generation per day: gallons/day <i>ii</i> . Nature of liquid wastes to be generated (e.g., sanitary wastewater, industrial; if combination, describe all	components and
approximate volumes or proportions of each):	
<i>iii.</i> Will the proposed action use any existing public wastewater treatment facilities? If Yes:	☐Yes ☐No
Name of wastewater treatment plant to be used:	
Name of district:	
• Does the existing wastewater treatment plant have capacity to serve the project?	☐ Yes ☐ No
• Is the project site in the existing district?	□ Yes □No
• Is expansion of the district needed?	☐ Yes ☐No

<ul> <li>Do existing sewer lines serve the project site?</li> <li>Will a line extension within an existing district be necessary to serve the project? If Yes:</li> </ul>	□Yes□No □Yes□No
Describe extensions or capacity expansions proposed to serve this project:	
<i>iv.</i> Will a new wastewater (sewage) treatment district be formed to serve the project site? If Yes:	□Yes □No
<ul> <li>Applicant/sponsor for new district:</li> <li>Date application submitted or anticipated:</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>What is the receiving water for the wastewater discharge?</li> <li>v. If public facilities will not be used, describe plans to provide wastewater treatment for the project, including speciries receiving water (name and classification if surface discharge or describe subsurface disposal plans):</li> </ul>	fying proposed
<i>vi</i> . Describe any plans or designs to capture, recycle or reuse liquid waste:	
e. Will the proposed action disturb more than one acre and create stormwater runoff, either from new point	□Yes □No
sources (i.e. ditches, pipes, swales, curbs, gutters or other concentrated flows of stormwater) or non-point source (i.e. sheet flow) during construction or post construction? If Yes:	
<i>i.</i> How much impervious surface will the project create in relation to total size of project parcel? Square feet or acres (impervious surface) Square feet or acres (parcel size)	
<i>ii.</i> Describe types of new point sources.	
<i>iii.</i> Where will the stormwater runoff be directed (i.e. on-site stormwater management facility/structures, adjacent pr groundwater, on-site surface water or off-site surface waters)?	operties,
If to surface waters, identify receiving water bodies or wetlands:	
• Will stormwater runoff flow to adjacent properties? <i>iv.</i> Does the proposed plan minimize impervious surfaces, use pervious materials or collect and re-use stormwater?	
<ul><li>f. Does the proposed action include, or will it use on-site, one or more sources of air emissions, including fuel combustion, waste incineration, or other processes or operations?</li><li>If Yes, identify:</li></ul>	□Yes □No
<i>i</i> . Mobile sources during project operations (e.g., heavy equipment, fleet or delivery vehicles)	
<i>ii.</i> Stationary sources during construction (e.g., power generation, structural heating, batch plant, crushers)	
<i>iii</i> . Stationary sources during operations (e.g., process emissions, large boilers, electric generation)	
<ul> <li>g. Will any air emission sources named in D.2.f (above), require a NY State Air Registration, Air Facility Permit, or Federal Clean Air Act Title IV or Title V Permit?</li> <li>If Yes:</li> </ul>	□Yes □No
<ul> <li><i>i.</i> Is the project site located in an Air quality non-attainment area? (Area routinely or periodically fails to meet ambient air quality standards for all or some parts of the year)</li> <li><i>ii.</i> In addition to emissions as calculated in the application, the project will generate: <ul> <li>Tons/year (short tons) of Carbon Dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	∐Yes ∏No
<ul> <li>Tons/year (short tons) of Carbon Divide (CO<sub>2</sub>)</li> <li>Tons/year (short tons) of Nitrous Oxide (N<sub>2</sub>O)</li> <li>Tons/year (short tons) of Perfluorocarbons (PFCs)</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Tons/year (short tons) of Fulliational one (FFCs)</li> <li>Tons/year (short tons) of Carbon Dioxide equivalent of Hydroflourocarbons (HFCs)</li> <li>Tons/year (short tons) of Hazardous Air Pollutants (HAPs)</li> </ul>	

<ul> <li>h. Will the proposed action generate or emit methane (including, but not limited to, sewage treatment plants, landfills, composting facilities)?</li> <li>If Yes: <ul> <li><i>i</i>. Estimate methane generation in tons/year (metric):</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	☐Yes ☐No
<ul> <li><i>ii</i>. Describe any methane capture, control or elimination measures included in project design (e.g., combustion to g electricity, flaring):</li> </ul>	enerate heat or
<ul> <li>Will the proposed action result in the release of air pollutants from open-air operations or processes, such as quarry or landfill operations?</li> <li>If Yes: Describe operations and nature of emissions (e.g., diesel exhaust, rock particulates/dust):</li> </ul>	∐Yes∏No
<ul> <li>j. Will the proposed action result in a substantial increase in traffic above present levels or generate substantial new demand for transportation facilities or services?</li> <li>If Yes: <ul> <li><i>i</i>. When is the peak traffic expected (Check all that apply):</li> <li>Morning</li> <li>Evening</li> <li>Weekend</li> <li>Randomly between hours of</li> <li>to</li> <li><i>ii</i>. For commercial activities only, projected number of truck trips/day and type (e.g., semi trailers and dump truck</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
<ul> <li><i>iii.</i> Parking spaces: Existing Proposed Net increase/decrease</li> <li><i>iv.</i> Does the proposed action include any shared use parking?</li> <li><i>v.</i> If the proposed action includes any modification of existing roads, creation of new roads or change in existing</li> </ul>	☐Yes☐No access, describe:
<ul> <li><i>vi.</i> Are public/private transportation service(s) or facilities available within ½ mile of the proposed site?</li> <li><i>vii</i> Will the proposed action include access to public transportation or accommodations for use of hybrid, electric or other alternative fueled vehicles?</li> <li><i>viii.</i> Will the proposed action include plans for pedestrian or bicycle accommodations for connections to existing pedestrian or bicycle routes?</li> </ul>	☐Yes☐No ☐Yes]No ☐Yes]No
<ul> <li>k. Will the proposed action (for commercial or industrial projects only) generate new or additional demand for energy?</li> <li>If Yes: <ul> <li><i>i</i>. Estimate annual electricity demand during operation of the proposed action:</li> <li><i>ii</i>. Anticipated sources/suppliers of electricity for the project (e.g., on-site combustion, on-site renewable, via grid/l</li> </ul></li></ul>	
other): <i>iii.</i> Will the proposed action require a new, or an upgrade, to an existing substation?	Yes No
1. Hours of operation. Answer all items which apply.       ii. During Operations:         iii. During Operations:       iii. During Operations:         IIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIII	

m. Will the proposed action produce noise that will exceed existing ambient noise levels during construction,	□ Yes □No
operation, or both? If yes:	
<i>i</i> . Provide details including sources, time of day and duration:	
<i>ii.</i> Will the proposed action remove existing natural barriers that could act as a noise barrier or screen?	□Yes□No
Describe:	
n. Will the proposed action have outdoor lighting?	☐ Yes ☐ No
If yes: <i>i</i> . Describe source(s), location(s), height of fixture(s), direction/aim, and proximity to nearest occupied structures:	
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<i>ii.</i> Will proposed action remove existing natural barriers that could act as a light barrier or screen?	□Yes□No
Describe:	
o. Does the proposed action have the potential to produce odors for more than one hour per day?	☐ Yes ☐ No
If Yes, describe possible sources, potential frequency and duration of odor emissions, and proximity to nearest occupied structures:	
p. Will the proposed action include any bulk storage of petroleum (combined capacity of over 1,100 gallons) or chemical products 185 gallons in above ground storage or any amount in underground storage?	□Yes□No
If Yes:	
<i>i</i> . Product(s) to be stored	
<i>u</i> . Volume(s) per unit time (e.g., month, year) <i>iii</i> . Generally, describe the proposed storage facilities:	
,,,	
q. Will the proposed action (commercial, industrial and recreational projects only) use pesticides (i.e., herbicides,	□ Yes □No
insecticides) during construction or operation? If Yes:	
<i>i</i> . Describe proposed treatment(s):	
<i>ii.</i> Will the proposed action use Integrated Pest Management Practices?	☐ Yes ☐No
r. Will the proposed action (commercial or industrial projects only) involve or require the management or disposal	
of solid waste (excluding hazardous materials)? If Yes:	
<i>i</i> . Describe any solid waste(s) to be generated during construction or operation of the facility:	
• Construction: tons per (unit of time)	
• Operation : tons per (unit of time)	
<ul> <li><i>ii.</i> Describe any proposals for on-site minimization, recycling or reuse of materials to avoid disposal as solid waste</li> <li>Construction:</li> </ul>	
Operation:	
iii. Proposed disposal methods/facilities for solid waste generated on-site:	
Construction:	
Operation:	

s. Does the proposed action include construction or mod	ification of a solid waste man	agement facility?	🗌 Yes 🗌 No
If Yes: <i>i</i> . Type of management or handling of waste proposed	for the site (e.g. recycling o	r transfer station composting	a landfill or
	for the site (e.g., recycling o		3, fandriff, of
<i>ii.</i> Anticipated rate of disposal/processing:			
• Tons/month, if transfer or other non-		it, or	
• Tons/hour, if combustion or thermal	treatment		
iii. If landfill, anticipated site life:	years		
t. Will the proposed action at the site involve the comme waste?	rcial generation, treatment, st	torage, or disposal of hazardo	ous∐Yes∐No
If Yes:			
<i>i</i> . Name(s) of all hazardous wastes or constituents to be	e generated, handled or mana	ged at facility:	
<i>ii.</i> Generally describe processes or activities involving l	nazardous wastes or constitue	ents:	
<i>iii</i> . Specify amount to be handled or generatedt	ons/month		
<i>iv.</i> Describe any proposals for on-site minimization, rec	cycling or reuse of hazardous	constituents:	
			<u> </u>
v. Will any hazardous wastes be disposed at an existing	g offsite hazardous waste faci	lity?	Yes No
If Yes: provide name and location of facility:	-	-	
If No: describe proposed management of any hazardous	wastas which will not be cont	t to a hazardana wasta facilit	
If No: describe proposed management of any nazardous	wastes which whi not be sen	t to a nazardous waste facilit	y:
E. Site and Setting of Proposed Action			
E.1. Land uses on and surrounding the project site			
a. Existing land uses.			
<i>i</i> . Check all uses that occur on, adjoining and near the			
Urban Industrial Commercial Resid			
☐ Forest ☐ Agriculture ☐ Aquatic ☐ Other <i>ii.</i> If mix of uses, generally describe:	r (specify):		
w. If hink of uses, generally deserve.			
b. Land uses and covertypes on the project site.			
Land use or	Current	Acreage After	Change
Covertype	Acreage	Project Completion	(Acres +/-)
• Roads, buildings, and other paved or impervious			
surfaces			
• Forested			
<ul> <li>Meadows, grasslands or brushlands (non- agricultural, including abandoned agricultural)</li> </ul>			
<ul> <li>Agricultural</li> </ul>			
(includes active orchards, field, greenhouse etc.)			

Surface water features

(lakes, ponds, streams, rivers, etc.) Wetlands (freshwater or tidal)

Non-vegetated (bare rock, earth or fill)

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Other

Describe:

<ul><li>c. Is the project site presently used by members of the community for public recreation?</li><li><i>i.</i> If Yes: explain:</li></ul>	☐ Yes ☐ No
<ul> <li>d. Are there any facilities serving children, the elderly, people with disabilities (e.g., schools, hospitals, licensed day care centers, or group homes) within 1500 feet of the project site?</li> <li>If Yes,</li> <li><i>i</i>. Identify Facilities:</li> </ul>	∏Yes∏No
<ul><li>e. Does the project site contain an existing dam?</li><li>If Yes:</li><li><i>i</i>. Dimensions of the dam and impoundment:</li></ul>	∐Yes∐No
• Dam height: feet	
• Dam length: feet	
Surface area:     acres	
Volume impounded: gallons OR acre-feet	
<i>ii.</i> Dam's existing hazard classification: <i>iii.</i> Provide date and summarize results of last inspection:	
<i>ut.</i> I for the date and summarize results of fast inspection.	
	·····
f. Has the project site ever been used as a municipal, commercial or industrial solid waste management facility, or does the project site adjoin property which is now, or was at one time, used as a solid waste management faci If Yes:	☐Yes☐No lity?
<i>i</i> . Has the facility been formally closed?	□Yes□ No
If yes, cite sources/documentation:	
<i>ii.</i> Describe the location of the project site relative to the boundaries of the solid waste management facility:	·····
<i>iii.</i> Describe any development constraints due to the prior solid waste activities:	
<ul> <li>g. Have hazardous wastes been generated, treated and/or disposed of at the site, or does the project site adjoin property which is now or was at one time used to commercially treat, store and/or dispose of hazardous waste?</li> <li>If Yes:</li> </ul>	☐Yes ☐No
i. Describe waste(s) handled and waste management activities, including approximate time when activities occurr	ed:
<ul> <li>h. Potential contamination history. Has there been a reported spill at the proposed project site, or have any remedial actions been conducted at or adjacent to the proposed site?</li> <li>If Yes:</li> </ul>	Yes No
<i>i</i> . Is any portion of the site listed on the NYSDEC Spills Incidents database or Environmental Site Remediation database? Check all that apply:	□Yes□No
Yes - Spills Incidents database       Provide DEC ID number(s):	
<ul> <li>Yes – Environmental Site Remediation database</li> <li>Provide DEC ID number(s):</li> </ul>	
<i>ii</i> . If site has been subject of RCRA corrective activities, describe control measures:	
<i>iii.</i> Is the project within 2000 feet of any site in the NYSDEC Environmental Site Remediation database? If yes, provide DEC ID number(s):	☐ Yes <b>2</b> No
<i>iv.</i> If yes to (i), (ii) or (iii) above, describe current status of site(s):	

v. Is the project site subject to an institutional control limiting property uses?	☐ Yes□No
<ul> <li>If yes, DEC site ID number:</li></ul>	
• Describe any use limitations:	
<ul> <li>Describe any engineering controls:</li> <li>Will the project affect the institutional or engineering controls in place?</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>will the project affect the institutional or engineering controls in place?</li> <li>Explain:</li></ul>	☐ Yes ☐ No
E.2. Natural Resources On or Near Project Site	
a. What is the average depth to bedrock on the project site? feet	
b. Are there bedrock outcroppings on the project site? If Yes, what proportion of the site is comprised of bedrock outcroppings?%	☐ Yes ☐ No
	%
	% %
d. What is the average depth to the water table on the project site? Average: feet	
e. Drainage status of project site soils: Well Drained: % of site	
☐ Moderately Well Drained:% of site ☐ Poorly Drained % of site	
f. Approximate proportion of proposed action site with slopes:     0-10%:     % of site	
$\square 10-15\%: \qquad \qquad$	
□ 15% or greater:% of site	
g. Are there any unique geologic features on the project site? If Yes, describe:	☐ Yes <b>/</b> No
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
h. Surface water features.	
<i>i.</i> Does any portion of the project site contain wetlands or other waterbodies (including streams, rivers, ponds or lakes)?	<b>∠</b> Yes No
<i>ii.</i> Do any wetlands or other waterbodies adjoin the project site?	<b>∠</b> Yes No
If Yes to either <i>i</i> or <i>ii</i> , continue. If No, skip to E.2.i.	
<i>iii.</i> Are any of the wetlands or waterbodies within or adjoining the project site regulated by any federal, state or local agency?	✓ Yes □No
<i>iv.</i> For each identified regulated wetland and waterbody on the project site, provide the following information: • Streams: Name <u>864-119</u> Classification <u>C</u>	
Lakes or Ponds: Name Classification	
<ul> <li>Wetland No. (if regulated by DEC)</li> <li>v. Are any of the above water bodies listed in the most recent compilation of NYS water quality-impaired waterbodies?</li> </ul>	☐Yes <b>∠</b> No
If yes, name of impaired water body/bodies and basis for listing as impaired:	
i. Is the project site in a designated Floodway?	☐Yes <b>ℤ</b> No
j. Is the project site in the 100-year Floodplain?	Yes No
k. Is the project site in the 500-year Floodplain?	Yes No
1. Is the project site located over, or immediately adjoining, a primary, principal or sole source aquifer? If Yes:	☐Yes <b>⊠</b> No
<i>i</i> . Name of aquifer:	

m. Identify the predominant wildlife species that occupy or use the	project site:	
n. Does the project site contain a designated significant natural com If Yes: <i>i</i> . Describe the habitat/community (composition, function, and ba Red Maple-Hardwood Swamp		✔Yes ☐No
<i>ii.</i> Source(s) of description or evaluation:		
<ul><li><i>iii.</i> Extent of community/habitat:</li><li>Currently:</li></ul>	178.7 acres	
Following completion of project as proposed:		
• Gain or loss (indicate + or -):	acres	
o. Does project site contain any species of plant or animal that is lis	ted by the federal government or NVS as	☐ Yes ✔No
endangered or threatened, or does it contain any areas identified a	as habitat for an endangered or threatened spec	
If Yes:	6 1	
<i>i</i> . Species and listing (endangered or threatened):		
p. Does the project site contain any species of plant or animal that	is listed by NYS as rare, or as a species of	☐ Yes <b>/</b> No
special concern?		
If Yes:		
<i>i.</i> Species and listing:		
q. Is the project site or adjoining area currently used for hunting, tra If yes, give a brief description of how the proposed action may affe		□Yes □No
If yes, give a oner description of now the proposed action may are		
E.3. Designated Public Resources On or Near Project Site		
a. Is the project site, or any portion of it, located in a designated ag		<b>∐</b> Yes <b>∠</b> No
Agriculture and Markets Law, Article 25-AA, Section 303 and 3	304?	
If Yes, provide county plus district name/number:		
b. Are agricultural lands consisting of highly productive soils prese		☐Yes ☐No
<i>i</i> . If Yes: acreage(s) on project site?		
c. Does the project site contain all or part of, or is it substantially c	ontiguous to, a registered National	<b>∐</b> Yes <b>∠</b> No
Natural Landmark? If Yes:		
<i>i</i> . Nature of the natural landmark: Biological Communit	ty Geological Feature	
ii. Provide brief description of landmark, including values behind		
d. Is the project site located in or does it adjoin a state listed Critica	l Environmental Area?	<b>∐</b> Yes <b>∠</b> No
If Yes:		
<i>i</i> . CEA name:		
<i>ii</i> . Basis for designation:		

<ul> <li>e. Does the project site contain, or is it substantially contiguous to, a building, archaeological site, or district which is listed on the National or State Register of Historic Places, or that has been determined by the Commission Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation to be eligible for listing on the State Register of Historic Places.</li> <li><i>i.</i> Nature of historic/archaeological resource: Archaeological Site Historic Building or District <i>ii.</i> Name: Eligible property:Floral Villa, Yorktown Heights Railroad Station</li> </ul>	
<i>iii</i> . Brief description of attributes on which listing is based:	
f. Is the project site, or any portion of it, located in or adjacent to an area designated as sensitive for archaeological sites on the NY State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) archaeological site inventory?	✔Yes ☐No
<ul> <li>g. Have additional archaeological or historic site(s) or resources been identified on the project site?</li> <li>If Yes: <ul> <li><i>i</i>. Describe possible resource(s):</li> <li><i>ii</i>. Basis for identification:</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	☐Yes ☐No
<ul> <li>h. Is the project site within fives miles of any officially designated and publicly accessible federal, state, or local scenic or aesthetic resource?</li> <li>If Yes: <ul> <li><i>i</i>. Identify resource:</li> <li><i>ii</i>. Nature of, or basis for, designation (e.g., established highway overlook, state or local park, state historic trail or etc.):</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	☐Yes ☐No
etc.):	
<ul> <li>i. Is the project site located within a designated river corridor under the Wild, Scenic and Recreational Rivers Program 6 NYCRR 666?</li> <li>If Yes: <ul> <li>i. Identify the name of the river and its designation:</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Yes No
ii. Is the activity consistent with development restrictions contained in 6NYCRR Part 666?	☐Yes ☐No

#### **F. Additional Information**

Attach any additional information which may be needed to clarify your project.

If you have identified any adverse impacts which could be associated with your proposal, please describe those impacts plus any measures which you propose to avoid or minimize them.

\*See Attachments. A: Development Projection, B: School Age Children Projection, C: Traffic, D: Water and Sewer

#### G. Verification

I certify that the information provided is true to the best of my knowledge.

Applicant/Sponsor Name \_John Tegeder \_\_\_\_\_ Date\_\_\_\_

Signature

Title Director of Planning, Town of Yorktown

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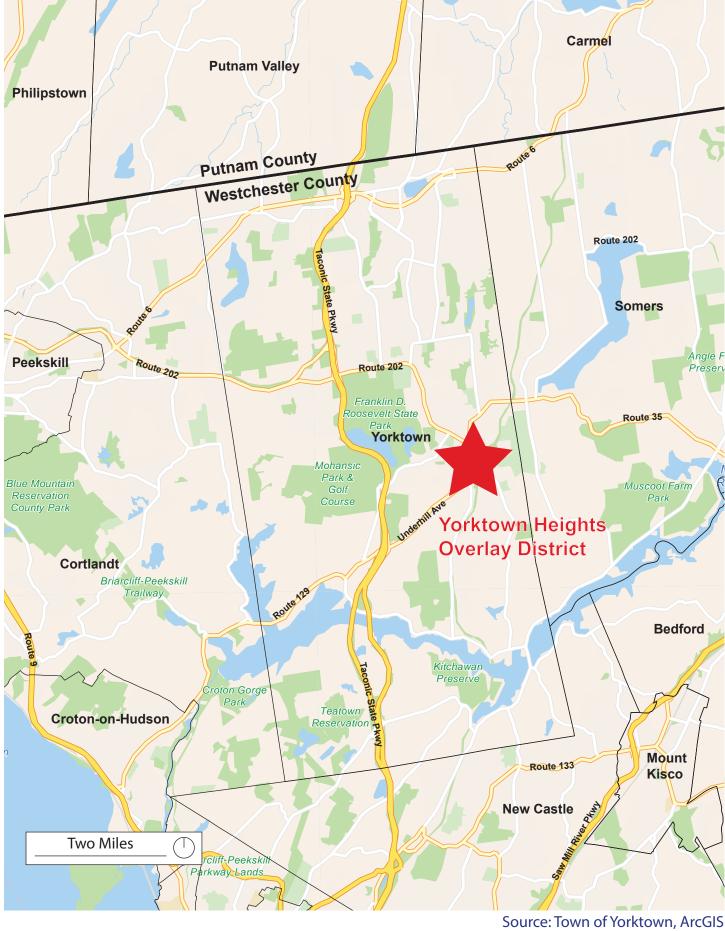
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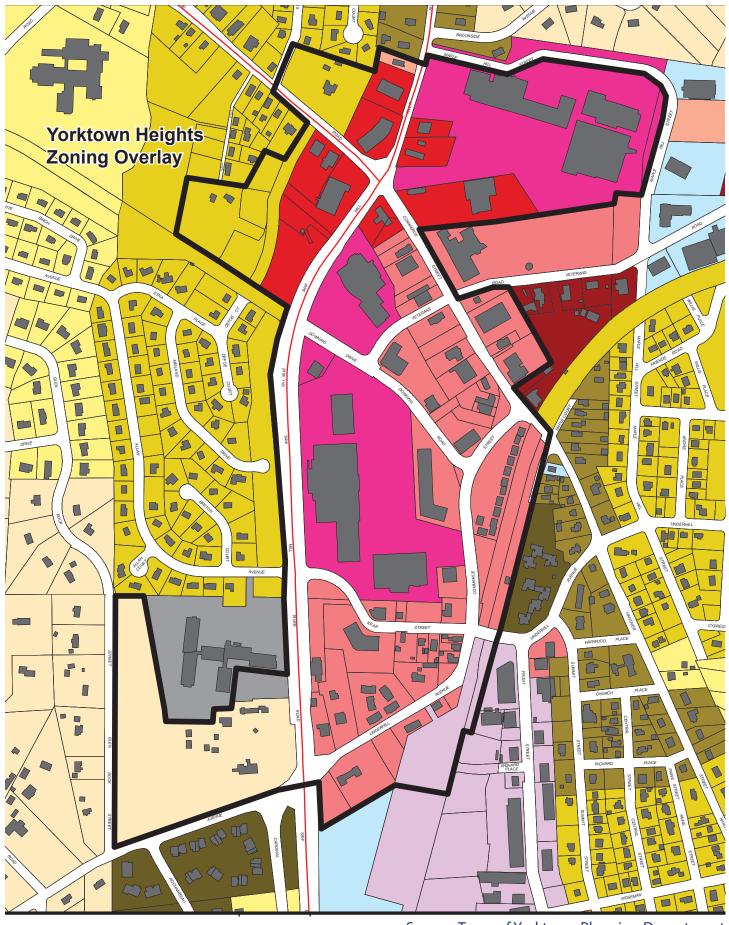
B.i.i [Coastal or Waterfront Area]	No
B.i.ii [Local Waterfront Revitalization Area]	No
C.2.b. [Special Planning District]	Yes - Digital mapping data are not available for all Special Planning Districts. Refer to EAF Workbook.
C.2.b. [Special Planning District - Name]	NYC Watershed Boundary
E.1.h [DEC Spills or Remediation Site - Potential Contamination History]	Digital mapping data are not available or are incomplete. Refer to EAF Workbook.
E.1.h.i [DEC Spills or Remediation Site - Listed]	Digital mapping data are not available or are incomplete. Refer to EAF Workbook.
E.1.h.i [DEC Spills or Remediation Site - Environmental Site Remediation Database]	Digital mapping data are not available or are incomplete. Refer to EAF Workbook.
E.1.h.iii [Within 2,000' of DEC Remediation Site]	No
E.2.g [Unique Geologic Features]	No
E.2.h.i [Surface Water Features]	Yes
E.2.h.ii [Surface Water Features]	Yes
E.2.h.iii [Surface Water Features]	Yes - Digital mapping information on local and federal wetlands and waterbodies is known to be incomplete. Refer to EAF Workbook.
E.2.h.iv [Surface Water Features - Stream Name]	864-119
E.2.h.iv [Surface Water Features - Stream Classification]	С
E.2.h.iv [Surface Water Features - Wetlands Name]	Federal Waters
E.2.h.v [Impaired Water Bodies]	No
E.2.i. [Floodway]	No
E.2.j. [100 Year Floodplain]	Yes

E.2.k. [500 Year Floodplain]	No
E.2.I. [Aquifers]	No
E.2.n. [Natural Communities]	Yes
E.2.n.i [Natural Communities - Name]	Red Maple-Hardwood Swamp
E.2.n.i [Natural Communities - Acres]	178.7
E.2.o. [Endangered or Threatened Species]	No
E.2.p. [Rare Plants or Animals]	No
E.3.a. [Agricultural District]	No
E.3.c. [National Natural Landmark]	No
E.3.d [Critical Environmental Area]	No
E.3.e. [National or State Register of Historic Places or State Eligible Sites]	Yes - Digital mapping data for archaeological site boundaries are not available. Refer to EAF Workbook.
E.3.e.ii [National or State Register of Historic Places or State Eligible Sites - Name]	Eligible property:Floral Villa, Yorktown Heights Railroad Station
E.3.f. [Archeological Sites]	Yes
E.3.i. [Designated River Corridor]	No



Yorktown Heights Overlay District Zoning

Figure 1: Location Map BFJ Planning



Yorktown Heights Overlay District Zoning Figur

Source: Town of Yorktown Planning Department Figure 2: Overlay Detail BEJ Planning ATTACHMENT A: DEVELOPMENT PROJECTION

Yorktown Heights Overlay District Zoning Full Environmental Assessment Form Part 1

#### Via email

То:	John A. Tegeder, Director of Planning Town of Yorktown
From:	Frank Fish FAICP, Principal Sarah Yackel, AICP, Principal Taylor Young, AICP, Senior Planner
Subject:	Yorktown Heights Overlay District Reasonable Estimate of Future Development
Date:	November 19, 2021

#### **Executive Summary**

This memorandum seeks to establish the Reasonable Estimate of Future Development for the Yorktown Heights Overlay District. We have placed potential development in Yorktown Heights into two categories: Known Development Sites and Soft Sites. The Known Development Sites are developments that have come before the Town and were discussed at our kickoff meeting in late August. Soft Sites include potential development sites that have not come before the Town but may in the future due to their future vacancy status and/or existing common ownership.

To project the total number of residential units and commercial gross square feet (GSF) that are likely to be constructed in the next ten years, we combined the incremental change in development (increase or decrease) from the Known Development Sites with 25 percent of the incremental change in development from the Soft Sites. We found the Reasonable Estimate of Future Development is 405 residential units, 18 hotel rooms, and a reduction of approximately 92,464 GSF of commercial space. The amount of commercial space would be reduced because the buildings on the potential development sites have mostly commercial uses, and they would be replaced by buildings that are largely residential with some ground-floor commercial uses.

#### **1. Known Development Sites**

There are four Known Development Sites in the Yorktown Heights Overlay District. They are Underhill Farms, Yorktown Green, the Roma Development, and the Boutique Hotel. Underhill Farms, Yorktown Green, the Roma Development would be mostly residential projects with some accessory commercial space. The Boutique Hotel development would have hotel rooms and a rooftop bar and grill. The source of the information shown in Table 1 is from our meeting in late August, site plans, recent news articles, and the Town of Yorktown website. These developments are shown on the attached Figure 1.

Known Development	Proposed Residential Units	Proposed Commercial Area (GSF)		
Sites				
Underhill Farms	165	11,375		
Yorktown Green	150	12,260		
Roma Development	42	9,700		
Boutique Hotel	Hotel Rooms: 18	2,600		
Total	357 Residential Units and 18 Hotel Rooms	35,935		

#### Table 1: Known Development Sites

#### Incremental Change in Development

The incremental change in development is measured by subtracting any existing development on a site from the amount of proposed development for the site. Measuring the incremental change helps isolate changes in residential units or commercial square footage, which is important for analyzing the impacts of new development that could occur under zoning changes.

We measured the incremental change at Yorktown Green<sup>1</sup>, the Roma Development, and the Boutique Hotel by subtracting existing building's square footage from the proposed development plans. For Underhill Farms, which is currently vacant and is within the R1-40 residential district, we have subtracted the number of residential units that could be constructed under existing zoning. The R1-40 district permits single-family homes with a minimum lot size of 40,000 square feet, and we project that a developer could build 12 single-family homes on the site under existing zoning<sup>2</sup>. Table 2 shows the existing floor area for each of the Known Development Sites, the proposed number of residential units and commercial floor area.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The former K-Mart building at the Yorktown Green site is currently vacant. It could, however, be renovated and occupied by a national grocery chain (Wegmans, Trader Joes, Whole Foods, etc.) or other retailer that could succeed at the site. We are therefore counting the commercial space at the site for the measurement of incremental development change.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The site area of Underhill Farms is approximately 600,459 square feet (13.8 acres). Existing zoning permits single-family homes with a minimum lot size of 40,000 square feet. When you divide the total lot size by the minimum lot size, you get 15 single-family homes. This, however, does not take into account subdivision design, circulation, and any natural features on the site. We therefore project that 12 single-family homes could be built on the Underhill Farms site.

Known Development Sites	Existing Development or Development Potential		Development Potential		Potential Increment	
	Res. Units	Comm. SF	Res. Units	Comm. SF	Res. Units	Comm. SF
Underhill Farms	12	-	165	11,375	152	11,375
Yorktown Green	-	90,119	150	12,260	150	(-77,859)
Roma Development	-	26,000	42	9,700	42	(-16,300)
Boutique Hotel	-	5,413	18 hotel rooms	2,600	18 hotel rooms	(-2,813)
Total	12	121,532	357 units and 18 hotel rooms	23,675	345 units and 18 hotel rooms	(-85,597)

#### Table 2: Incremental Increase in Development at Known Development Sites

#### 2. Known Developments that Are Not Analyzed

There are two sites with known developments that are not analyzed in this Reasonable Estimate of Future Development. The Weyant site is located north of Crompond Road/Route 202, west the Roma Development and east of Hamblyn Street. The Weyant site has an approved site plan for 23 townhomes, meaning they could be constructed without the proposed overlay, and we understand that the developer of the site will not be proposing a new site plan under the overlay. The Mongero/Commerce Bank site is located west of Saw Mill River Road across from Uncle Giuseppe's Marketplace. The site is not included in this estimate because there is an approved site plan for a Commerce Bank on the site, and portions of the site are covered by wetlands, which limits its development potential.

#### 3. Soft Sites

Soft Sites are developments that are unknown to the Town, but are sites that may reasonably be developed in the next 10 years. Soft Sites were identified either through discussions with the Town of Yorktown Planning Department, who have an understanding of local development trends and building ownership, or by looking at sites within the overlay boundary that are under common ownership and would be underbuilt (have significantly less building area building area than permitted) under the proposed overlay zoning.

We project the amount of development that could be reasonably constructed on the Soft Sites using a three-step process. First, we used a set of assumptions to project the amount of residential and commercial development that could occur on the Soft Sites. We then subtract any existing development on each site from the development potential to measure the incremental change in development. Finally, we estimate that 25 percent of the incremental change in development would be constructed in the next ten years. We chose 25 percent based upon our experiences in other Westchester County communities, where 25 percent of development potential has rarely, if ever, been exceeded. The reasons for this are variable market conditions, complicated real estate ownership and family dynamics, and the choices of various property owners not to develop.

#### Identification of Soft Sites

We have analyzed five Soft Sites. Uncle Giuseppe's Marketplace was discussed at our meeting in late August and we identified Underhill Plaza as a relatively large site that would be underbuilt considering it has a single-story building and the proposed overlay would allow three stories and a floor area ratio (FAR) of 0.55. The Downing and Commerce site includes three parcels that are currently under common ownership that are occupied by single-story commercial buildings. The Gilbert Street Lots are a collection of three lots south of Gilbert Street, and west of Saw Mill River Road. One parcel has a single-family house on it, and two other parcels are vacant. The three lots are currently within the R1-10 district, and the proposed overlay significantly increases their development potential. The final soft site is the Triangle Shopping Center, which we do not think will be redeveloped, but may have the potential for a small commercial expansion. These sites are shown on the attached Figure 1.

#### **Development Potential**

To project the total amount of development that could occur on the Soft Sites, we assumed that the sites would be built out to their full development potential of 0.55 FAR and three stories in height. We assumed that a single mixed-use building would occupy the site, that half of the ground floor would be used for commercial use, and that the remaining two and a half stories would be residential. We then divided the amount of residential gross square footage (GSF) by 900 square feet as an average unit size. These assumptions would include any mechanical and circulation space in the building.

The only exception to these assumptions is the Triangle Shopping Center. The Triangle Shopping Center has a large commercial footprint with a high occupancy rate. It has a high potential for future revenue growth if new residential development occurs on nearby properties. There are no active plans in front of the Town for an expansion of the shopping center. However, there are a few areas on the shopping center parcel that could potentially be developed for free-standing retail, restaurant, bank, or office uses. We project that there is potential for approximately 5,000 square feet of additional commercial development. See Table 3 for a summary of development potential on the Soft Sites.

Soft Sites	Uncle Giuseppe's	Underhill Plaza	Downing and Commerce	Gilbert Street Lots	Triangle Shopping Center Addition
Site Area (square feet)	168,529	92,774	49,290	163,913	705,173
Floor Area Ratio (FAR)	0.55	0.55	0.55	0.55	0.55
Maximum Mixed-Use GSF	92,691	51,026	27,110	90,152	N/A – No
Building Height (stories)	3	3	3	4	redevelopment
Residential GSF (2.5 stories)	76,934	42,352	22,501	78,432 (3.5 stories)	_ projected
Commercial GSF (0.5 story)	15,757	8,674	4,609	11,720	5,000 addition
Residential Units (900 square feet per unit)	85	47	25	87	0

#### Table 3: Soft Sites Development Potential

#### Incremental Development Potential

The incremental change in development is the measure of any additional floor area or reduction of floor area that would be developed at the Soft Sites when what currently exists on the site is subtracted. Table 4 shows the incremental development potential on each of the Soft Sites.

#### Table 4: Incremental Development Potential

Soft Site Summary	Existing Development		Development Potential		Potential Increment	
	Res. Units	Comm. SF	Res.	Comm. SF	Res.	Comm.
			Units		Units	SF
Uncle Giuseppe's	-	43,260	85	15,757	85	(-27,503)
Underhill Plaza	-	23,074	47	8,674	47	(-14,400)
Downing and Commerce	-	10,500	25	4,609	25	(-5,891)
Gilbert Street Lots	1	-	83	15,326	82	15,326
Triangle Shopping Center Addition	-	-	-	-	-	5,000
Total	1	76,834	240	49,366	239	(-27,468)

Note: The size of the existing developments was provided by the Town of Yorktown Planning Department, Assessor, or measured using the Westchester County building footprint shapefile in ArcGIS.

#### Soft Sites Reasonable Development Projection

The reasonable development projection is the amount of incremental development that could occur on the Soft Sites that is reasonable to expect would occur in the next ten years. We estimate that 25 percent of the potential incremental development from the Soft Sites would be constructed in the next ten years. This results in 60 residential units and a reduction of 6,867 square feet of commercial space.

#### Table 5: Soft Sites Reasonable Development Projection

Soft Sites: Incremental Development Potential	<b>Residential Units</b>	Commercial SF
Uncle Giuseppe's	85	(-27,503)
Underhill Plaza	47	(-14,400)
Downing and Commerce	25	(-5,891)
Gilbert Street Lots	82	15,326
Triangle Shopping Center Addition	-	5,000
Total Development Potential	239	(-27,468)
Adjusted Projection (25% of Units/Square Feet over 10 Years)	60	(-6,867)

#### 4. Other Sites That Are Not Analyzed

There are a few sites within the overlay boundary that we have not analyzed as Soft Sites. The largest site is the Cablevision site, which is located southwest of the Roma Development across Crompond Road/Route 202. The Cablevision site includes two parcels with a common owner, which are occupied with three commercial buildings. One building is occupied by a Verizon Wireless store (2035 Crompond Road), and the other (2025 Crompond Road) is occupied by an Allstate insurance office and a Kumon tutoring center. The third building is a two-story multitenant building (2013 Crompond Road). The Cablevision site is large, and could be redeveloped with residential uses, however the three buildings appear to be mostly occupied, and it is our understanding that the site is unlikely to be redeveloped in the next ten years.

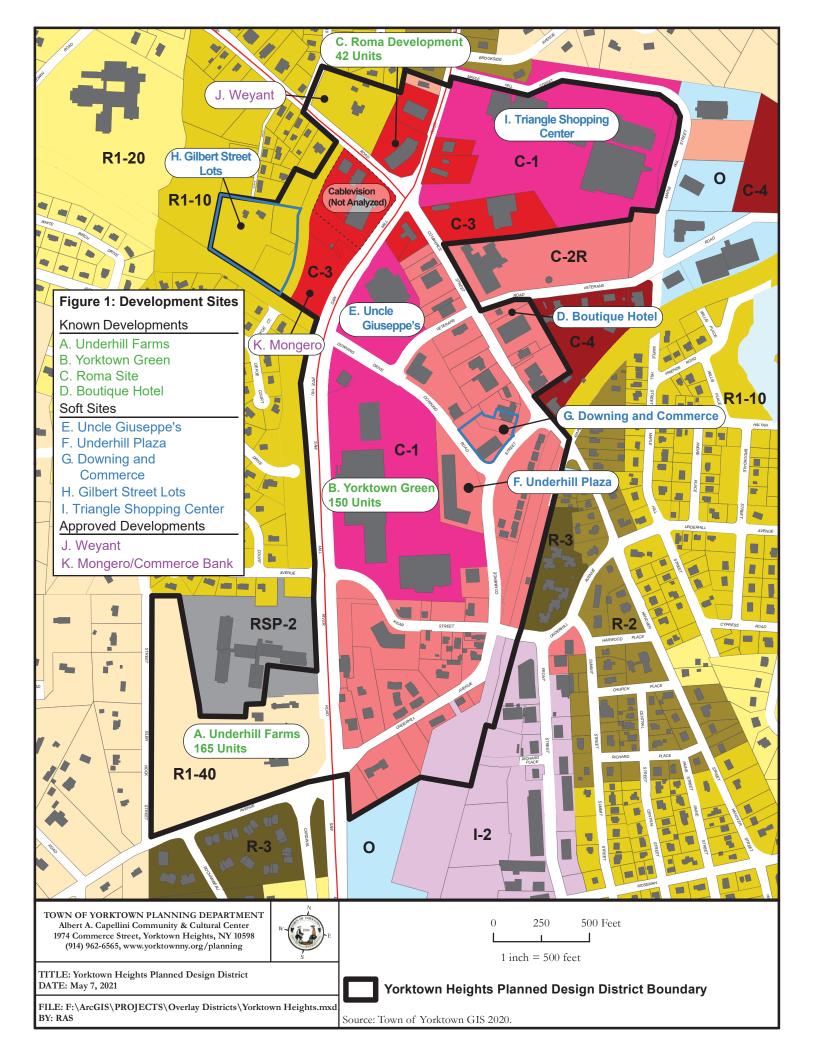
Other parcels that were not analyzed include Town-owned parcel west of the Cablevision site. It is reserved as an easement for a future roadway connection between Saw Mill River Road and Crompond Road/Route 202. The commercial developments along Commerce Street, Kear Street, and Underhill Avenue were not analyzed as soft sites because they are occupied by commercial buildings and are owned by different parties. Further, the sites are currently within the C-2R zoning district, which allows for mixed-use residential and commercial developments. The proposed overlay district would allow relaxations to parking minimums and bulk, but the overlay isn't a major increase in development potential for these sites.

#### 5. Yorktown Heights Overlay District Reasonable Estimate of Future Development

We created the reasonable estimate of future development that would be produced by the Yorktown Heights Overlay District by combining the incremental change in development at the Known Development Sites with the projected incremental change in development from the Soft Sites. Table 6 shows that using this methodology, we project that the Yorktown Heights Zoning Overlay would produce 405 residential units, 18 hotel rooms, and would reduce commercial space in the overlay by 92,464 GSF over the next ten years. Commercial floor area would be reduced because largely commercial developments would be redeveloped with mostly residential buildings. There could be a reduction in the change in commercial area once we know the amount of ground-floor commercial space proposed in the Yorktown Green Development.

Incremental Change in Development	Residential Units	Commercial SF
Known Development Sites	345 Units and 18 Hotel	(-85,597)
	Rooms	
Soft-Site Projection (25% of Potential Incremental Units/GSF over	60	(-6,867)
10 Years)		
Reasonable Estimate of Future Development	405 Units and 18 Hotel Rooms	(-92,464)

#### Table 6: Reasonable Estimate of Future Development



# ATTACHMENT B: SCHOOL AGE CHILDREN PROJECTION

Yorktown Heights Overlay District Zoning Full Environmental Assessment Form Part 1

# Yorktown Heights Overlay Zoning District School Age Children Generation

Date: November 19, 2021

### Introduction

The Town of Yorktown is proposing zoning a zoning overlay in Yorktown Heights to promote mixed-use development. The Yorktown Heights Overlay District would be within the Yorktown Central School District. This analysis includes a review of school enrollment trends, Yorktown population trends, and the school age children projection, and the fiscal benefits of the proposed action.

## School Enrollment Trends

#### Yorktown Central School District

The total enrollment in the Yorktown Central School district has declined steadily since the 2011-12 school year. Middle school and high school enrollment have declined by 14 and 17 percent respectively, while elementary school enrollment has increased by two percent during the same period (see Table 1).

Year	Total Enrollment	Elementary	Middle	High
2011-12	3,698	1,467	935	1,296
2012-13	3,615	1,405	925	1,285
2013-14	3,518	1,361	894	1,263
2014-15	3,440	1,411	808	1,221
2015-16	3,465	1,436	795	1,234
2016-17	3,428	1,420	781	1,227
2017-18	3,442	1,466	812	1,164
2018-19	3,394	1,437	829	1,128
2019-20	3,401	1,475	809	1,117
2020-21	3,381	1,498	801	1,082
Change 2011-12 to 2020-21	(-317)	31	(-134)	(-214)
% Change 2011-12 to 2020-21	(-9%)	2%	(-14%)	(-17%)
Source: NYSED School Enrollment D	Data			

Table 1: Yorktown Central School District Enrollment Trends

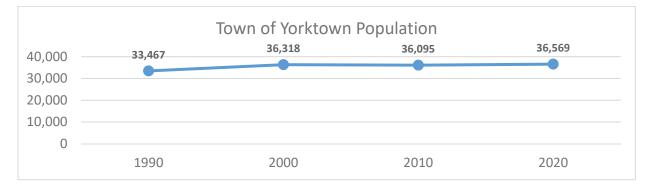
# Town of Yorktown Population Trends

The Town of Yorktown's population has grown over the past four decades. The population grew by roughly 1,000 people between 1990 and 2000 before declining between 2000 and 2010. Between 2010 and 2022, the population grew by 474 people, which represents a 1.3 percent growth rate.

#### Table 2: Town of Yorktown Population Trends

	1990	2000	2010	2020	Change 2010 to 2020	% Change 2010 to 2020
Total Population	33,467	36,318	36,095	36,569	474	1.3%
Source: United Stat	tes Census B	ureau, Dec	ennial Cens	sus		

#### Figure 1: Town of Yorktown Population Trends



#### Village Population and School Enrollment Comparison

The total population of the Town of Yorktown has increased by 474 people since 2010, but total school enrollment for the Yorktown Central School District has fallen. The Town's population grew by 1.3 percent, but overall school enrollment fell by 9 percent. Enrollment in the elementary schools did, however, increase along with the Town's population (2 percent increase in elementary enrollment).

# Projections for New School Age Children Generated by the Proposed Overlay Districts

We used two different sources to project the number of new school age children that could be created by the proposed zoning overlays in Yorktown Heights. The sources include multipliers produced by researchers at Rutgers University, and by using multipliers that we have observed through our 40 years of experience of planning in Westchester County and the tri-state region.

#### Yorktown Heights Overlay School Age Children Projection

#### Yorktown Heights Overlay District Development Projection

We project that the Yorktown Heights Zoning Overlay would produce an incremental increase in 405 housing units. The known development sites, including Underhill Farms, Yorktown Green, and the Roma Development would produce an incremental increase of 345 units. We project that the soft sites would produce an incremental increase of 60 residential units.

Except for Underhill Farms, each of the known development sites would consist of multifamily apartment units. Underhill Farms would have 54 townhomes, 26 condo units, and 85 apartments; however, the property is currently zoned for residential development and could be used for 12 single-family homes. Therefore, the Underhill Farms site would have an incremental increase of 153 total units, 54 of which

would be townhomes<sup>1</sup>. For this analysis we consider condo units and apartments to both be multifamily units that would produce the same number of children per unit.

Using data from the Rutgers University study and our professional observations, we project that the potential residential development produced under the proposed Yorktown Heights Overlay District would range between 40 and 49 school age children over the next 10 years.

#### Yorktown Heights Residential Demographic Multipliers - Rutgers Multipliers

The Rutgers University Center for Urban Policy Research published demographic multipliers in 2006, and they have since been used for school-age children analyses. The Rutgers University Center for Real Estate updated the 2006 study in 2018 when they published School Age Children in Rental Units in New Jersey: Results from a Survey of Developers and Property managers. The study uses observations from multifamily housing developments in New Jersey, but we believe the findings can be applied to the tristate region. We use the updated 2018 multipliers in this analysis.

The Rutgers analysis presents school age children multipliers for housing units based on many different factors. These include the number of bedrooms, type of development (high-rise, mid-rise, low-rise), average income of the occupying household, affordability of the unit (market-rate or affordable), and age of the development. Since we are unaware of the unit mix of most of the potential multifamily units, we have chosen to use the generation rate that the researchers observed in market-rate developments constructed after 2000. For the townhome units, we used the multiplier for two-bedroom units in low-rise developments that have an average household income of over \$100,000<sup>2</sup>. Using these multipliers we project that a total of 49 school age children would be generated by the potential development that would occur within the Yorktown Heights Overlay District.

Unit Type	Number of Units	Rutgers School Age Children Multiplier (per unit)	Projected School Age Children
Townhome	54	0.282	15
Multifamily	351	0.098	34
Apartment			
Total	405	-	49

#### Table 3: Yorktown Heights School Age Children Projection - Rutgers Data

Source: School Age Children in Rental Units in New Jersey: Results from a Survey of Developers and Property Managers. Rutgers Center for Real Estate – White Paper Series. Davis, Frame, Ladall, and Tantleff. July 2018.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Our projection represents a conservative estimate because we have not subtracted the number of school children that could live in the 12 single-family homes.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The Rutgers study groups townhomes and low-rise multifamily buildings together as low-rise buildings.

#### Yorktown Heights Residential Demographic Multipliers – BFJ Multipliers

BFJ Planning has over 40 years of experience planning in Westchester County and the tri-state region. We have done numerous school age children projections, and based on our professional knowledge we find that 0.07 children per unit can be expected for multifamily apartment units. Our observed townhome data needs further analysis, and we have therefore used the townhome multiplier that was used in the Rutgers analysis. Using a mix of our professional observations and the Rutgers data we project that 40 school age children would be generated by new development within the Yorktown Heights Zoning Overlay District.

Unit Type	Number of Units	Rutgers School Age Children Multiplier (per unit)	Projected School Age Children
Townhome	54	0.282	15
Multifamily	351	0.07	25
Apartment			
Total	405	-	40
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Table 4: Yorktown Heights School Age Children Projection - BFJ Observations and Rutgers Data

#### **Fiscal Benefits**

Residential construction is an economic engine for the local economy and provides some new job opportunities for residents as well as additional revenue for local governments. Table 5 and Table 6 show a summary of the estimated economic benefits of multifamily residential construction for a typical metropolitan area<sup>3</sup>. The model for this estimate was created by the National Association of Home Builders (NAHB) and is not site-specific to Yorktown Heights. It is meant to show a generic model of economic impacts<sup>4</sup>.

Table 5: One Year Impacts of the Projected Residential Development in the Yorktown Heights Zoning Overlay District

Development	Units	Local	Local Taxes (Inc. Fees,	Local Jobs
		Income	Etc.)	Supported
Yorktown Heights Overlay	405	\$47,356,650	\$8,955,360	652
Projection				
Source: NAHB, 2015				

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> National Association of Home Builders, 2015. "The Economic Impact of Home Building in a Typical Local Area: Income, Jobs and Taxes Generated." We note that this model is for multifamily apartment construction, and 54 of the proposed 405 units would be developed as townhomes. The NAHB only provides models for single-family and multifamily apartment units. The multifamily apartment units have a lower fiscal benefit than single-family units, and therefore we believe this represents a conservative estimate.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> We understand from the Town of Yorktown Planning Department that none of the Known Development Sites are asking for a payment in lieu of taxes (PILOT) or other tax abatement from the Town. Since the Known Development Sites represent the majority of the projected residential units in the overlay, we assume that none of developments would ask for PILOT.

Table 6: Ongoing, Annual Effect of Projected Residential Development in the Yorktown Heights Zoning Overlay District

Development	Units	Local Income	Local Taxes (Inc. Fees, Etc.)	Local Jobs Supported
Yorktown Heights Overlay	405	\$10,694,430	\$2,039,175	178
Projection				
Source: NAHB, 2015				

These are local impacts, representing income and jobs for residents in the area, and taxes (and other sources of revenue, including permit fees) for all local jurisdictions within the local area. Table 5 specifically highlights both the direct and indirect impacts of the construction activity itself, including the spending of construction workers into the local area's economy. Table 6 summarizes the recurring impacts from the new units becoming occupied (taxes paid, participation in the local economy, etc.). This model accounts for the natural vacancy rate typical for multifamily properties. The total projected local taxes (one-time plus recurring) amounts to \$10,994,535.

We estimate that 71.77 percent of the \$10,994,535 estimated local taxes would go to the Yorktown Central School District, for a total of \$7,890,778, while approximately \$1,321,543 would go to the Town of Yorktown<sup>5</sup>.

Based on this review of economic impacts, the proposed Yorktown Heights Overlay District is expected to have a tax positive impact on the Town of Yorktown and the Yorktown Heights Central School District.

## Summary and Conclusion

Table 7 compares the school age children projections for the Yorktown Heights Overlay District using data from the 2018 Rutgers study and BFJ Planning's observations. These projections include all school age children, and although we expect most of them would attend the well-regarded schools in each district, some may attend private or parochial school, and therefore this represents a conservative projection. The number of projected schoolchildren is unlikely to all enter the school district at the same time. Our projection represents the total number of school age children who would enter the districts over ten years and throughout all grade levels.

Data Source	Number of Units	School Age Children Multiplier (per unit)	Projected School Age Children	Total
<b>Rutgers Multipliers</b>	54 (Townhome)	0.282	15	40
	351 (Apartments)	0.089	34	49
<b>BFJ Multipliers</b>	54 (Townhome)	0.282	15	40
	351 (Apartments)	0.07	25	40

 Table 7: Yorktown Heights School Age Children Projection Comparison

Yorktown Heights Overlay District – Yorktown Central School District

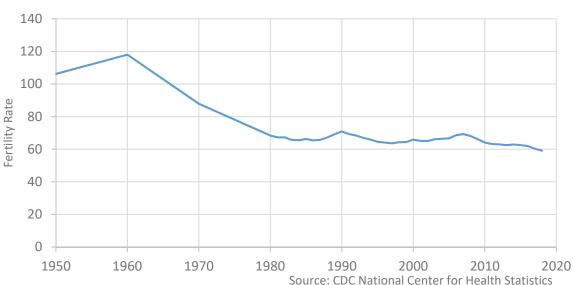
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> The school district tax percentage and Town tax percentage was taken from the 2022 Town of Yorktown Tentative Budget presentation dated October 30, 2021.

#### **Declining Birthrates**

Birth rates have been declining in the United States since the 1950s. This national trend is also true in New York State and Westchester County. Figure 2 shows that fertility rates, which are a measure of the number of births per 1,000 women aged 15-44, reached a 30-year low in 2018. Recent studies from the Centers for Disease Control show that birth rates are down 19 percent from 2007, which had the highest birth rate in recent years.

The Covid-19 pandemic has only increased the decline in birth rates nationally; the number of births in 2020 was four percent lower than the number in 2019<sup>6</sup>. The combination of long-term declines in birth rates and the acute decline caused by the Covid-19 pandemic is expected to have impacts that last throughout the decade. These trends may ease potential strains on school district capacity and lessen concerns about the generation of school age children by new developments.

Figure 2: Fertility Rate in the United States



United States Fertility Rate

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Tavernise, Sabrina. "Pandemic Led to Faster Drop in U.S. Births." *The New York Times*, May 5, 2021.

ATTACHMENT C: TRAFFIC

Yorktown Heights Overlay District

# TRAFFIC ELEMENT OF EXPANDED ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT FORM (EAF)

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## 1. Introduction

The transportation system in Yorktown Heights is heavily influenced by the Routes 35/202 corridor, which turns 90 degrees at a traffic light in the northern portion of the hamlet.

This Traffic element of the Expanded Environmental Assessment Form for the proposed Yorktown Heights Overlay District first reviews the transportation context in the vicinity of the hamlet. It then discusses the potential impacts from the proposed rezoning (the "action").

The reader should bear in mind that the proposed rezoning is being analyzed under the provisions of NYS SEQR as a *Generic* action, in other words an action such as a law, policy, or plan that pertains to a relatively large area, rather than a specific development site. From a traffic/transportation standpoint, the core question analyzed here is whether the proposed rezoning would lead to an increase in traffic that could significantly and adversely impact the transport system.

Following adoption of the proposed Overlay Zone District in Yorktown Heights, individual development applications in the future would be separate actions, and would be reviewed by the town's municipal boards to identify whether there is the potential for site-specific traffic impacts and if so how they can be reasonably mitigated. In the realm of traffic/transportation, this could involve issues such as changing the timing of existing traffic lights or adding new ones, ensuring a high-quality streetscape for pedestrians and cyclists, and ensuring that driveways and access for pedestrians are safe and well-designed.

## 2. Existing Conditions

## 2.1 Roadway Functional Class and AADT

Figure 1 shows the proposed Yorktown Heights Overlay District and surrounding areas.

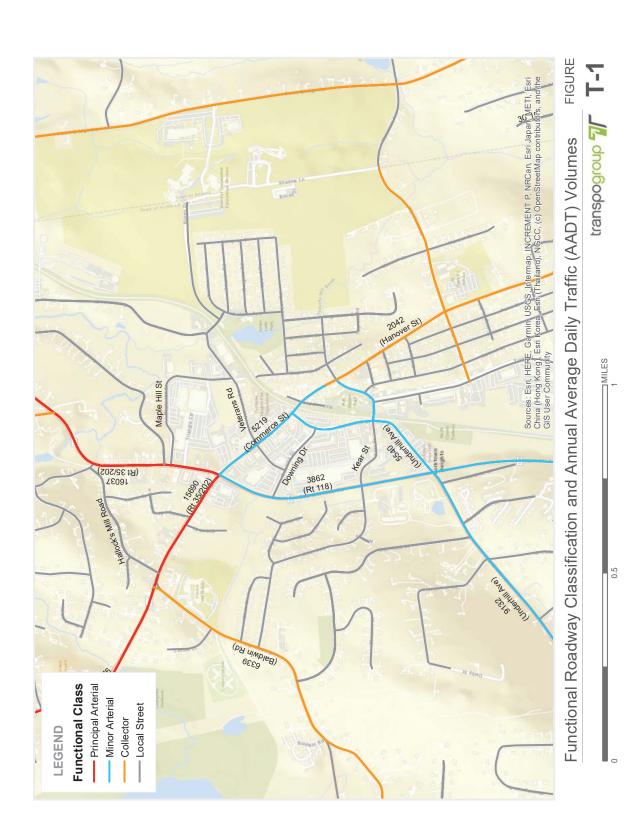
The Functional Class of a roadway (shown in Figure T-1) is an indicator of the role that the road plays in servicing traffic. The two-lane principal arterial Routes 35/202 is the highest-standard roadway in this part of Yorktown, followed by US Route 6. It is under the jurisdiction of the New York State Department of Transportation (NYSDOT) (see Figure T-2), as is NY Route 118 (and all other roadways are under town jurisdiction). Rt 35/202 experiences recurring peak-period congestion at the traffic light in the northern part of Yorktown Heights where it intersects with NY Route 118, in part because the heavy traffic volumes traveling "through" on Rt 35/202 must turn 90 degrees at this intersection.

Route 118 south of Rt 35/202 (also known as Saw Mill River Road), Underhill Avenue, and Commerce St are all classified as Minor Arterials, and are also two lanes in each direction. Route 118 south of Rt 35/202 does not serve adjacent land uses, and has a traffic light ("signal) at Underhill Avenue and an unsignalized intersection with Downing Drive immediately to the south of the Rt 35/202/118 intersection.

Underhill Avenue connects to the Taconic Parkway roughly 1.5 miles to the west of Yorktown Heights, and this segment of Underhill Avenue serves predominantly residential properties. To the east of Route 118, Underhill serves a variety of commercial land uses along the southern portions of the hamlet.

Downing Drive and Kear Street are short roadways that run generally east-west through the hamlet and mainly serve to distribute traffic to adjacent commercial land uses.

Commerce Street connects the Route 118 and Rt 35/202 intersection to Hanover Street along eastern sections of the hamlet. Hanover Street itself provides access from the south, however due to poor geometry it has a weight limit and a restriction on non-local commercial vehicles. Veterans Road and Maple Hill Street form a semi-circle around the Triangle shopping center in the eastern portion of the hamlet. Hallock's Mill Road is a local street that, despite the presence of speed humps to deter and slow cut-through traffic, serves as a shortcut to avoid the congested Rt 35/202/118/Commerce Street intersection; Yorktown recently studied options for managing traffic volumes and speeds on Hallock's Mill Road.





The labels on the roadways in Figure T-1 are "Average Annual Daily Traffic", meaning how many vehicles per day travel on each road segment. For instance, on Rt 35/202 just north and east of Yorktown Heights (in the vicinity of Maple Hill Street) the AADT is 16,037 vehicles per day. Rt 35/202 carries this load of approximately 16,000 vehicles per day, followed by Underhill Avenue (9,132 veh/day west of Rt 118) and Baldwin Road (6,339 veh/day). The other roadways in the vicinity carry lower traffic volumes. All traffic levels discussed in this report are year 2019 (i.e. immediately pre-covid) and are sourced from NYSDOT.

### 2.2 Peak hour volumes

Figures T-3 and T-4 show the morning and afternoon/evening weekday rush hour ("peak hour") traffic volumes. Whereas AADT data provides a baseline context of the total amount of traffic carried by a roadway, peak-hour traffic levels relate more directly to the whether or not congestion is experienced.

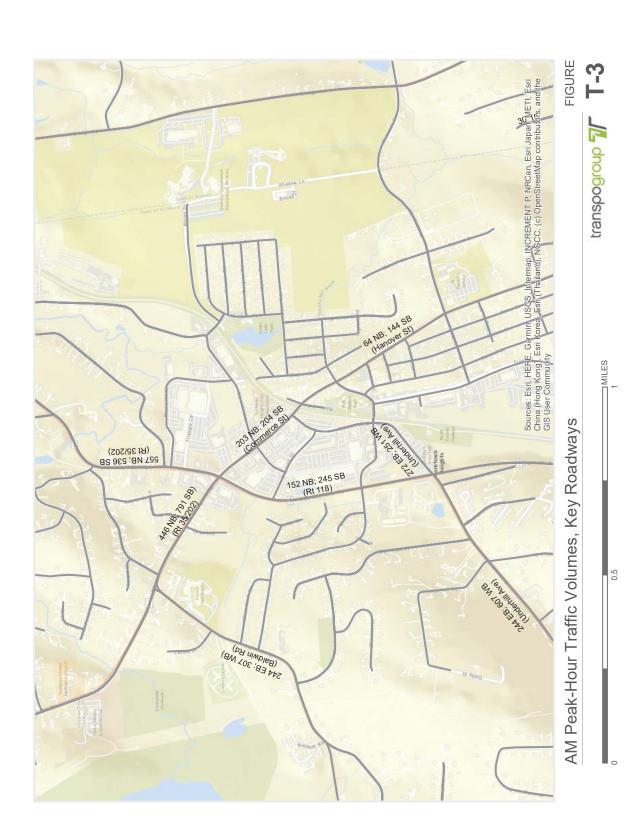
Directional patterns in traffic volumes are generally stronger in the morning than afternoon/evening, with Rt 35/202 carrying heavier traffic southbound from Crompond than northbound, and Underhill Avenue carrying heavier traffic westbound (towards the Taconic Parkway). Both of these roadways have traffic levels that are closer to balanced in both directions in the afternoon/evening.

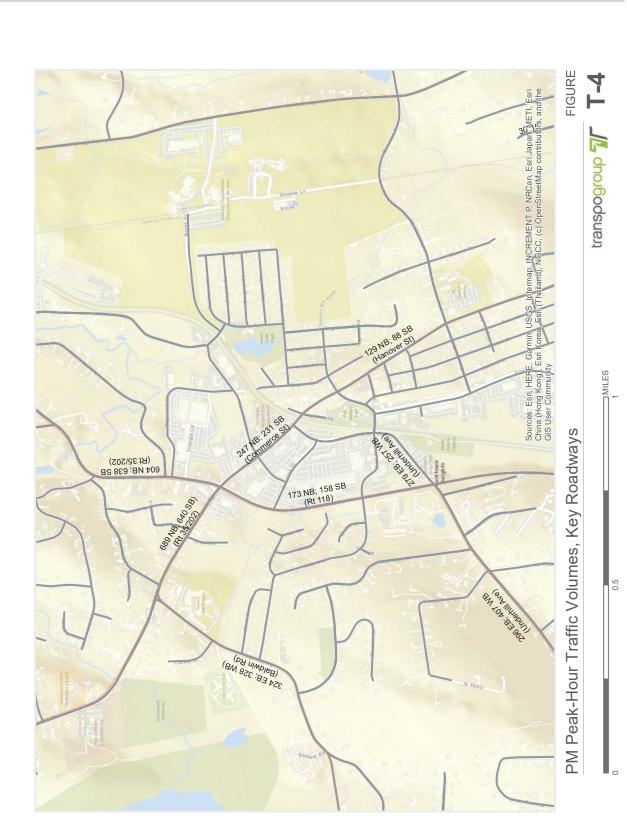
### 2.3 Vehicular crashes

The Yorktown Police Department prepared a summary of motor vehicle crashes during the period 2018 – 2020 for the intersections shown in Table T-1.

The highest number of crashes during this period, as well as the largest number of injury-involved crashes, occurred at the Rt 35/202/118/Commerce Street intersection where Rt 35/202 turns 90 degrees.

This is followed in crash frequency by the intersections of Commerce Street and Veterans Road, of Route 118 and Underhill Avenue, and of Rt 35/202 with Baldwin Road (to the immediate north of the hamlet).





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Intersection	Total number of crashes	Crashes with an injury	Crashes with a fatality
Route 35/202 & Baldwin Rd	20	4	0
Route 35/202 & Hallock's Mill Rd (west end)	7	1	0
Route 35/202 & Rt 118/Commerce St	36	7	0
Route 35/202 & Maple Hill St	9	3	0
Route 35/202 & Hallocks Mill (East end)/Ridge St	13	3	0
Commerce St & Veterans Rd	25	4	0
Route 118 & Downing Dr	16	1	0
Commerce St & Hanover St	4	0	0
Downing Dr & Commerce St	6	0	0
Route 118 & Kear St	3	0	0
Underhill Ave & Kear St	10	1	0
Route 118 & Underhill Ave	22	2	0

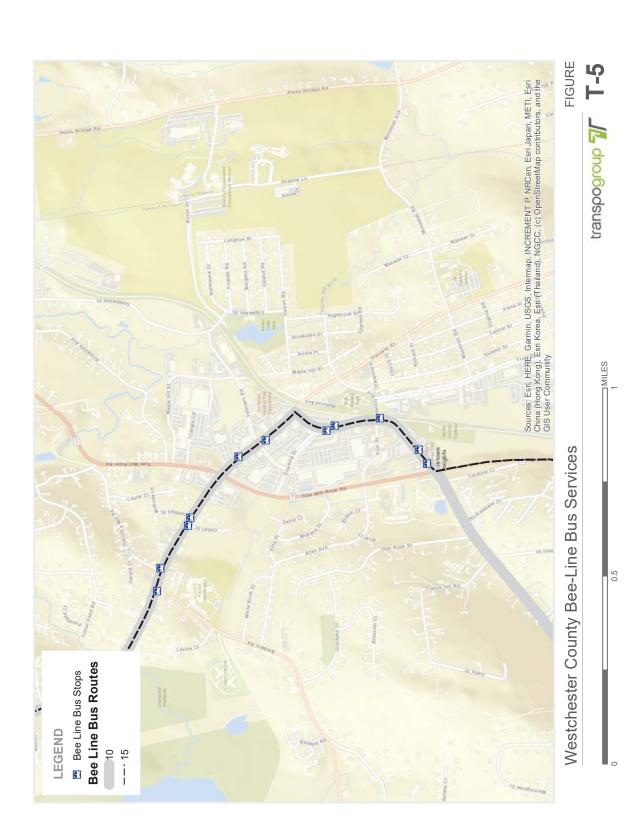
Table T-1: Summary of crash history in vicinity of Yorktown Heights, 2018-2020

#### 2.4 Public transportation

Bus service through Yorktown Heights is provided by Routes 10 and 15 of Westchester County's Bee-Line system (see Figure T-5).

Route 10 is a commuter route connects Yorktown Heights and points north to the Croton-Harmon Metro-North station to the southwest. It is a time-limited service, with two weekday runs in the early morning (between 5:30 and 6:30 AM) and two in the evening (between 6:00 and 7:30 PM). It operates as an express service between Yorktown Heights and Croton-on-Hudson in the vicinity of the Metro-North station, with a scheduled travel time of 20 minutes from Yorktown Heights to the station.

Bee-Line Route 15 is a local route that connects Yorktown Heights with Peekskill and the Mohegan Lake to the northwest and White Plains to the south. On weekdays there are seven northbound bus runs and eight southbound runs, between approximately 6:00 AM and 7:00 PM).



Metro-North provides commuter rail services to the east and west of Yorktown. As discussed below, there is some commuting by rail by Yorktown residents to stations in neighboring communities, with the Town's Comprehensive Plan identifying Croton-Harmon and Ossining as the stations most frequently used by Yorktown residents.

## 2.5 Walking and cycling

The topography in the hamlet is generally amenable to walking and cycling., and Yorktown Heights has a relatively well-developed sidewalk network in comparison to many other portions of northern Westchester County. However, there are gaps in provision for pedestrians, such as the Rt 35/202/118/Commerce Street intersection which has wide turning radii and lacks crosswalks.

The North County Rail Trail, including the refurbished Yorktown Heights station building which won a 2021 countywide planning award for historic preservation) passes through the hamlet, serving both walkers and cyclists.

## 2.6 Use of alternative forms of travel

The American Community Survey (ACS) provides estimates of how many workers living in the Yorktown Heights "Census Designated Place" (CDP) (which encompasses the overlay district) commute to work by each of various methods of travel.

The data are from the ACS's 2019 5-year estimates (the most recent available, and entirely before the onset of covid-19).

The ACS data show that 81% of workers living in Yorktown Heights drive alone to work, and another 5% carpool, for a total of 86% commuting by car. 1% take public transport, 3% of workers commute by bicycle, and 7% by walking to work. 3% of workers reported working from home (note this is pre-covid data).

## 3. Potential Impacts

### 3.1 Traffic

The potential for traffic impacts was evaluated by determining the extent of any increase or decrease in the number of trips on the road system in and around the Yorktown Heights overlay district.

The input for this analysis was the "Incremental Development" that would be incentivized by introducing the Yorktown Heights Overlay District. The Incremental Development analysis is the net new development that takes into account both new development that would be built, and the removal of preexisting buildings to make way for the new development. In Yorktown Heights, the single biggest example of this is the Yorktown Green property, which in the Incremental Development analysis has a large decrease of retail space (from removal of the former K-Mart building) which is modeled as being replaced by 150 new apartments.

The determination of the increase/decrease of trips on the road system uses an approach known as "trip generation". This is a standard technique that draws on established relationships between amounts of development and number-of-trips, using the Institute of Transportation Engineers' Trip Generation Manual (11th edition).

Table T-2 presents the inputs to the Trip Generation analysis, and Tables T-3 and T-4 presents the results for the "without sewer" and "with sewer" scenarios, respectively).

	Traffic Generation Rates (trips per hour or trips per 24-hour day, per column headings below)			
ITE Land Use Category	Weekday, 24 hour	Weekday, AM peak hour	Weekday, PM peak hour	Saturday, peak hour (typically midday)
210 (Single family detached homes) <sup>1</sup>	9.43 (trips per home)	0.70 (trips per home)	0.94 (trips per home)	0.92 (trips per home)
215 (townhomes)	7.20 (trips per townhome)	0.48 (trips per townhome)	0.57 (trips per townhome)	0.57 (trips per townhome)
220 (Multifamily housing, low-rise)	6.74 (trips per apartment)	0.40 (trips per apartment)	0.51 (trips per apartment)	0.41 (trips per apartment)
221 (Multifamily housing, mid-rise) <sup>2</sup>	4.54 (trips per apartment)	0.37 (trips per apartment)	0.39 (trips per apartment)	0.39 (trips per apartment)
310 (Hotel)	7.99 (trips per hotel room)	0.46 (trips per hotel room)	0.59 (trips per hotel room)	0.72 (trips per hotel room)
710 (Office building) <sup>3</sup>	10.84 (trips per 1,000 sq ft)	1.52 (trips per 1,000 sq ft)	1.44 (trips per 1,000 sq ft)	0.53 (trips per 1,000 sq ft)
821 (Shopping Plaza 40K-150K sq. ft.) <sup>4</sup>	67.52 (trips per 1,000 sq ft)	1.73 (trips per 1,000 sq ft)	5.19 (trips per 1,000 sq ft)	6.22 (trips per 1,000 sq ft)
822 (Strip retail)	54.45 (trips per 1,000 sq ft)	2.36 (trips per 1,000 sq ft)	6.59 (trips per 1,000 sq ft)	6.57 (trips per 1,000 sq ft)

Table T-2: Inputs to Incremental Buildout Estimated Peak Hour Traffic Generation

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Incremental Development analysis models that under pre-existing zoning 12 single family homes could be built at the site of the former Soundview School (a.k.a. the "Underhill Farms" site), and that under the Overlay Zoning the development of this site would instead be 22 townhomes, 143 apartments, and 11,375 sq. ft. of retail space.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Separate trip generation rates are published for low-rise multifamily housing (up to and including 3 stories) and mid-rise multifamily housing (4-10 stories). For purposes of this analysis, it is assumed that multifamily housing on the Yorktown Green site would be 4 stories, in keeping with the "mid-rise" definition, and all other newly constructed multifamily housing would be low-rise (up to but not exceeding 3 stories).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> This category applies only to the office space on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of the Roma building and the site of the Boutique Hotel, which are specified to be removed under the Incremental Development analysis.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> This category applies only to the K-Mart building which is specified to be removed under the Incremental Development analysis.

	Amount of incremental development	Amount of Traffic Generation (trips per hour or trips per 24-hour day, per column headings below)			
ITE Land Use Category		Weekday, 24 hour	Weekday, AM peak hour	Weekday, PM peak hour	Saturday, peak hour (typically midday)
210 (Single family detached homes)	-12 homes	-113	-8	-11	-11
215 (townhomes)	+54 townhomes	+389	+26	+31	+31
220 (Multifamily housing, low-rise)	+213 apartments	+1,434	+85	+108	+87
221 (Multifamily housing, mid-rise)	+150 apartments	+681	+56	+59	+59
310 (Hotel)	+18 hotel rooms	+144	+8	+11	+13
710 (Office building)	-10,963 sq ft.	-119	-17	-16	-6
821 (Shopping Plaza 40K- 150K sq. ft.)	-90,119 sq ft.	-6,085	-156	-468	-561
822 (Strip retail)	-3,642 sq ft.	-198	-9	-24	-28
Total	N/A	-3,868	-15	-310	-412

Table T-3: Incremental Buildout Estimated Peak Hour Traffic Generation

The results of the Trip Generation analysis show an overall decrease in trip-making during all periods studied due to the Incremental Development pattern – this is primarily due to the removal of the K-Mart building. It should be noted that there is projected to be an increase in trip-making (i.e. more travel on the roadways) in comparison to the present day in which the K-Mart building is vacant. However, the actions that could cause this increase in travel would be site-specific development applications, not the rezoning action now being contemplated by the town.

Therefore, it is expected that site-specific SEQR analyses of individual development applications will determine the significance of potential transportation impacts from each development application, and any required mitigation measures. By following this approach, Yorktown would maintain the ability to ensure that future development in Yorktown Heights does not adversely impact the transportation system through increased congestion or other impacts.

In summary, based on this analysis of a decrease in overall trip-making on the roads in the vicinity of the Yorktown Heights overlay district from introducing the Yorktown Heights Overlay District, it is concluded that the proposed action would not have significant adverse impacts on the operations of the transportation system.

### 1.1 Public transportation, walking and cycling

The overall decrease in trip-making in Yorktown Heights is expected to be reflected as a corresponding lower level of walking, cycling, and demand for public transport, leading to a conclusion of no significant adverse impacts on them.

However, it is important to note that the Overlay Zoning has a stated goal to promote a Complete Streets approach, would be generally supportive of bus usage, walking, and cycling within the overlay zone.

## 1.2 Parking

The proposed Overlay Zoning legislation contains provisions designed to ensure that parking continues to be adequately provided by future real estate developments, while providing applicants with flexibility in how this is done.

The Overlay Zoning sets parking standards, and also outlines four specific mechanisms that would provide flexibility to applicants by allowing the Planning Board to vary from the standard calculations of required off-street parking spaces:

- The use of shared parking between different uses on the same site and/or shared parking between adjacent properties (this dovetails with Policy 3-11 of the Comprehensive Plan, which supports shared-access to off-street parking under the aegis of "Access Management, as well as the Comprehensive Plan's observation that shared-parking between adjacent properties can allow more efficient site plans that yield both more parking and streetscape improvements)
- The use of conservation parking spaces (i.e. a site plan permitted with fewer-thanstandard parking spaces initially, with land set aside for future provision of additional parking spaces if the initial provision of spaces proves to be inadequate)
- The availability of on-street parking or public parking within close proximity to the site (this is consistent with Policy 3-22 which codifies encouraging use of on-street and public parking as town policy)
- Variation in the probable time of maximum use of differing uses on the same site (i.e. allowing uses that have complementary patterns of peak parking demand to share

parking. A typical example might be a commuter park-and-ride lot that is busy on weekdays and a church that is busy on Sundays).

Two of the items in this listing (conservation parking spaces and credit for nearby public parking) are currently permitted in Town Code, but their application is limited to non-residential uses. The Overlay Zoning proposes to extend these provisions to also encompass residential uses.

Table T-5 summarizes the specific proposed changes to parking requirements.

Type of use	Parking standard under current zoning	Parking standard under proposed overlay zoning
Residential units	2.2 spaces per unit (for multifamily dwellings of 3+ units)	1.5 spaces per unit
Retail	4 spaces per 1,000 sq ft	Same numerical requirement, with added flexibility (see below)
Flexibility provisions (300-255-G)	Same as at right (300-182-H-4-d), for non-residential uses	The use of shared parking between different uses on the same site and/or shared parking between adjacent properties
	Same as at right (300-182-H-4-e), for non-residential uses	The use of conservation parking spaces
	Same as at right (300-182-H-4-a), for non-residential uses	The availability of on-street parking or public parking within close proximity to the site
	Same as at right (300-182-C-2)	Variation in the probable time of maximum use of differing uses on the same site

 Table T-4: Parking standards under current zoning and proposed overlay zoning
 Image: Contract of the standard standard

The Overlay Zoning's main change in numerical parking standards relates to residential uses, which would be reduced from 2.2 to 1.5 parking spaces per unit, i.e. approximately by one-third. This is intended to support residential-market segments that may have lower-than-average car-ownership levels (e.g. smaller-size units, empty nesters, etc.) and that will be located proximate to commercial uses (supporting pedestrian activity in place of car use), and is consistent with the Comprehensive Plan's theme of encouraging adequate but not excessive parking.

It is important to note that this change in the residential parking standard and all other parking provisions of the Overlay Zoning would be subject to the Town's discretionary review processes when reviewing site-specific development applications.

The Overlay Zoning presents the Planning Board with guidance and standards for off-street parking provision when reviewing site plans, but also explicitly empowers the board to reach reasonable determinations about how to implement the guidance/standards on individual development applications, providing that decisions are grounded on rational bases. By explicitly codifying the desirability of the mechanisms for flexibility in parking provision, future applicants will be provided a clear signal of what is desired.

Finally, the Overlay Zoning calls for off-street parking to be provided at the rear of properties rather than in front of buildings. This is intended to encourage a vibrant pedestrian environment with buildings oriented towards the street as in a traditional "Main Street" context, in keeping with the objectives of the Comprehensive Plan.

In sum, the parking provisions of the Overlay Zoning are anticipated to have generally positive impacts, as they are aligned with the policies and objectives expressed in the town's Comprehensive Plan. As with other issues relating to new development, site-specific review of development applications will ensure that parking issues are appropriately addressed on a case-by-case basis taking into account idiosyncratic site conditions, etc.

## 4. Conclusions

Based on the analyses reported here, no significant adverse transportation impacts are anticipated from the incremental development expected from implementing the Yorktown Heights Overlay District.

When development applications are submitted to the town seeking to take advantage of the Overlay Zoning's provisions, Yorktown's Planning Department and municipal boards will review site-specific transportation analyses as they would for any development application in town.

When performing those site-specific analyses, in reaching its determinations and any required conditions, the town will continue to be guided by the relevant policy documents (notably the transportation items in the Comprehensive Plan and Sustainable Development Study), as well as the principle of ensuring that individual developments reasonably address their impacts on the transportation system. The town will also continue to work in partnership with NYSDOT and other public agencies to identify and advance options for general enhancements to the regional and sub-regional transportation network in Yorktown.

## ATTACHMENT D: WATER AND SEWER

# Yorktown Heights Overlay Zoning District: Water and Sewer Capacity

## Introduction

The Town of Yorktown is proposing a zoning overlay for Yorktown Heights to promote mixed-use development. Parcels in Yorktown Heights are served by public water supply and public sewer. BFJ had a conversation with the Town of Yorktown Engineer, Dan Ciarcia, PE, on November 10, 2021 to assess whether there is sufficient capacity for water consumption and sanitary sewer treatment for the projected development over the next ten years. In our conversation, Mr. Ciarcia discussed the current water and sewer systems and their existing capacity.

## Development Projection, Water Consumption, and Sanitary Sewer Flow

We project that the Yorktown Heights Zoning Overlay could lead to the construction of 405 residential units over the next 10 years. We anticipate that 54 of these units would be townhomes, and the remaining 351 would be multifamily apartment units. To estimate the demand for water consumption and sanitary sewer flow, we used the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation's estimate of 110 gallons per bedroom per day<sup>1</sup>. The development projections do not include detailed unit-mix breakdowns, so we made assumptions about the average number of bedrooms in each unit type (townhomes and multifamily apartments) to project water and sanitary sewer demand. Table 1 shows that we assume each townhome unit has 2.5 bedrooms, and each multifamily apartment unit has 1.55 bedrooms<sup>2</sup>. The total projected demand for water and the projected sanitary sewer flow is 74,696 gallons per day (GPD).

Unit Type	No. of Units	Bedrooms per Unit	Gallons/Bedroom/Day	Flow (GPD)
Townhomes	54	2.5	110	14,850
Multifamily Apartments	351	1.55	110	59,846
Total Projected Water Demand and Sanitary Sewer Flow				

 Table 1: Yorktown Heights Water and Sanitary Sewer Flow Projections

#### Water Supply

The proposed Yorktown Heights Zoning Overlay is located in Yorktown Heights hamlet, which receives its drinking water through the Northern Westchester Joint Water Works, which sends water from the New York City water supply system to the Yorktown, Somers, Cortlandt, and Montrose water districts. Mr. Ciarcia stated that there are no issues with the Town's water supply and that there is sufficient capacity for the projected water demand.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> NYSDEC Design Standards for Intermediate-Sized Wastewater Treatment Systems, 2014.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> A townhome average of 2.5 bedrooms assumes townhomes are evenly split between two or three bedroom units. Multifamily apartment bedroom averages assumes 50 percent of units are studio/1-bed units, 45 percent are 2-bed units, and 5 percent are 3-bed units. We think the multifamily bedroom average is conservative, as most developments are unlikely to have five percent of their units as three bedrooms.

#### Sewer Capacity

Yorktown Heights sends its wastewater to the Yorktown Heights Water Pollution Control Plant at 2200 Greenwood Street in Yorktown. The sewage treatment plant was originally constructed in 1963 and was renovated approximately 15 years ago. The sewage treatment plant has permitted capacity for 1.5 million gallons per day (MGD), and currently uses about 1.2 MGD; the plant could treat an additional 300,000 gallons of wastewater per day. We project that the development in Yorktown Heights would produce 74,696 gallons per day, and therefore would not exceed capacity at the treatment plant. Additionally, Mr. Ciarcia stated that the sewage treatment plant was designed and constructed to treat more flow than it is currently permitted for, and the Town could work with the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation to expand their permit if needed in the future.