

**VILLAGE OF NEW SQUARE VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
RESOLUTION AND NOTICE OF COMPLETION OF DGEIS  
DRAFT GENERIC ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT,  
FOR A DRAFT COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AND PROPOSED ZONING CODE**

This Notice of Completion of the Draft Generic Environmental Impact Statement (“DGEIS”) and Notice of SEQRA Hearing is issued pursuant to the State Environmental Quality Review Act, Article 8 of the NYS Environmental Conservation Law and its implementing regulations at Part 617 of the New York State Code of Rules and Regulations (collectively referred to as “SEQR”).

The Village Board of Trustees of the Village of New Square (the “Village Board”), as lead agency under SEQR, has determined that the DGEIS/2019 Village of New Square Comprehensive Plan (the “Comprehensive Plan”) and subsequent Zoning Code Amendments are adequate with respect to its scope and content for the purpose of commencing public review pursuant to Part 617.9(a)(2).

The Village Board directs that the DGEIS/Comprehensive Plan, and attached Notice of Completion and Notice of SEQRA Public Hearing, shall be filed, published, and circulated in accordance with the requirements of Part 617.9 and 617.12.

The Village Board also directs that: (1) the Notice of Completion and Notice of Public Hearing be published at least fourteen (14) calendar days in advance of the hearing date in a newspaper of general circulation and that said Notice be published in the Environmental Notice Bulletin (ENB); (2) the appropriate Village staff file copies of the DGEIS/Comprehensive Plan with the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation and the Office of the Village Clerk for public review; (3) a copy of the DGEIS/Comprehensive Plan, Notice of Completion, and Notice of Public Hearing is circulated to all involved and interested agencies; and (4) the DGEIS/Comprehensive Plan is posted on the Village consultant’s website at [timmillerassociates.com](http://timmillerassociates.com).

**Name of action:** Village of New Square Preparation of Comprehensive Plan and Land Use Map, Changes to Zoning Code and Map

**Location:** Village of New Square, Rockland County, New York.

**Project Sponsor:** Village of New Square Village Board

**SEQRA Status:** Type I

**Project Description:** The proposed action that is the subject of the Draft Generic Environmental Impact Statement (“DGEIS”) is the adoption of the 2019 Village of New Square Comprehensive Plan (the “Comprehensive Plan”) and subsequent zoning code and map amendments. The draft Comprehensive Plan identifies goals and objectives, principles, guidelines, and means to provide for, guide, and regulate the immediate and long-range enhancement, growth,

and development of the Village. Zoning code and map amendments will reflect Comprehensive Plan goals.

**Scoping:** A public scoping session was held to receive public comments on the Draft Scope on July 18, 2019, prior to preparation of a Final Scope and DGEIS. Within 60 days after the close of written comments on July 28, 2019, the Final Scope was accepted by the Village Board on August 12, 2019, pursuant to SEQRA.

**Reasons Supporting This Determination:**

Issuance of the Notice of Completion of the DGEIS and associated SEQRA hearing is based upon the review of the DGEIS/Comprehensive Plan prepared by the Village’s Planning Consultant in lieu of an environmental assessment form, which draft DGEIS is incorporated in the draft Comprehensive Plan. The review, consideration and acceptance of the DGEIS is intended to provide the Village Board, the public, and interested agencies with an understanding of the type of potential environmental impacts that may be associated with adoption of the Comprehensive Plan and subsequent code amendments. An important aspect of the environmental review process is that it incorporates public review and commentary into the decision-making process. Therefore, the Village Board will hold a SEQRA public hearing on the DGEIS.

As stated in the SEQRA Regulations, 6 NYCRR § 617.10(a), a Generic EIS may be used to assess the environmental impacts of “an entire program or plan having area-wide application...” In addition, this section says that “Generic EISs may be broader, and more general, than site or project-specific EISs.” The broad focus of a DGEIS aids in the identification and analysis of area-wide and cumulative effects of the action. Thus, the DGEIS addresses the Comprehensive Plan’s environmental impacts potentially resulting from implementation of the Comprehensive Plan’s recommendations and subsequent code amendments.

The Village Board has determined that the DGEIS is adequate for the purpose of commencing public review pursuant to Part 617.9(b) and 617.10, as it provides the public and interested agencies with the necessary information to evaluate potential environmental impacts, alternatives, and mitigation of identified impacts.

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**A copy of this notice must be sent to:**

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DEC Region III, 21 South Putt Corners Road, New Paltz, New York 12561

Environmental Notice Bulletin, <http://www.dec.ny.gov/enb/enb.html>

Village of New Square Village Board

Any person who requested a copy

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On a motion by Mayor Spitzer, seconded by Trustee Berger, the foregoing resolution was adopted on a vote of 5 Ayes, 0 Nays.

Dated: September 3, 2019