



NEWS FROM THE TOWN OF PENFIELD

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Comprehensive Plan Public Hearing Monday, August 30

Public opportunity to comment on Comp Plan and DGEIS

PENFIELD, N.Y., AUGUST 11, 2010 – The Town of Penfield is seeking public input on its 2010 Comprehensive Plan and associated Draft Generic Environmental Impact Statement (DGEIS). Residents are invited to attend a public hearing on Monday, August 30 at 7:30 PM at the Town Hall. Representatives will present a history and overview of the Comprehensive Plan followed by an overview of the Draft Generic Environmental Impact Statement (DGEIS) that pertains to the plan.

After the presentations the Town Board will open the meeting to receive public comments on both documents. Town staff will be present to assist the Town Board and residents as needed. The purpose of this public hearing is to receive public input, no actions are being taken.

Following the public hearing the Town Board will review and consider all public comments to determine if modifications are necessary to the Comprehensive Plan or DGEIS. Adoption of the 2010 Comprehensive Plan is expected in the fall after Town Board and public review.

“The Comprehensive Plan process has been inclusive and thorough. We are in the final months of a two-year development process. Public input between now and September 17 is vital to making Penfield’s next decade the very best it can be,” said Supervisor Tony LaFountain.

Attendees are encouraged to review the Draft 2010 Comprehensive Plan and DGEIS before attending the presentation. Go to www.penfield.org and follow the link from the home page “quick links” to review the Draft Plan and DGEIS, submit comments, learn more about the process, read meeting minutes, and find associated documents. Hard copies are available at the Town Hall and Penfield Library.

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Written comments on the Comprehensive Plan and DGEIS are welcome and should be submitted by email, postal mail or fax by 5:00 PM, Friday, September 17.

The meeting will be televised on PCTV Cable 12 and WebTV (go to www.penfield.org). For information on the 2010 Comprehensive Plan and process, please contact Katie Evans, Town Planner at 340.8682 or Jim Costello, Development Director at 340.8642.

Background

The Town of Penfield updates its Comprehensive Plan about every 10 years. The Plan functions as the legal foundation for all land use decisions, defines the community's vision, provides guidelines for development, and establishes goals and objectives for the next 10 to 15 years. The Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee worked on the two-year project from May 2008 until their presentation of the Draft Plan to the Town Board on April 21, 2010. The committee was chaired by County Legislator Debbie Drawe and assisted by John Steinmetz of Steinmetz Planning Group and Matt Ingalls of Ingalls Planning and Design as consultants. The volunteer committee was made up of a cross-section of 20 Penfield residents.

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