

### New York State Department of Transportation Metropolitan Transportation Authority Metro-North Railroad New York State Thruway Authority

#### **Presentation**

# Stakeholders' Advisory Working Group (SAWG) Land Use SAWG Meeting #9

Tappan Zee Bridge/I-287 Corridor Project



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Where I Fit

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# Experience

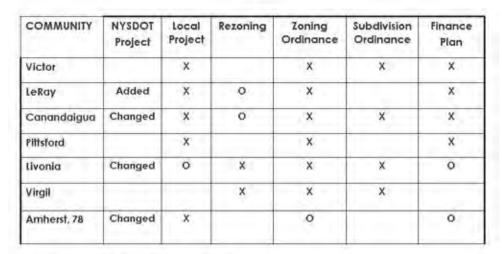
Corridor & Area Plans Comprehensive Plans Development Plans Access Mgmt. & Retrofit Plans

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Rezoning
Zoning & Subdivision Codes
Local System Finance Plans
Site & Subdivision Plan Reviews

# How I Defined Success

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X=Completed Q=Anticipated As of 2007

# Growth Generates Traffic

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#### Typical Peak Hour Trip Generation Rates

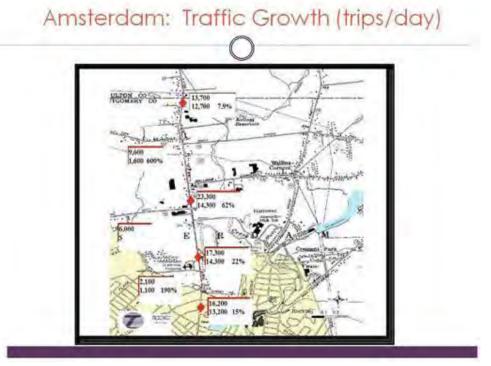
Land Use	Rate	(per) Unit
Single Family Residential	1.01	Occupied unit
Apartment	0.62	Occupied unit
Industrial Park	0.91	1000 square feet
Manufacturing	0.75	1000 square feet
Warehousing	0.74	1000 square feet
General Office	2.68	1000 square feet
Medical and Dental	4.08	1000 square feet
Specialty Retail	4.93	1000 square feet
Shopping Center	6.44	1000 square feet
Supermarket	10.34	1000 square feet
Sit Down Restaurant	16.26	1000 square feet
Fast Foodway w/ Drive Thru	36.53	1000 square feet
Drive-Thru Bank	43.63	1000 square feet
Gas Station w/ Convenience	53.73	1000 square feet

# Amsterdam: Business Growth (Sq. Ft.)

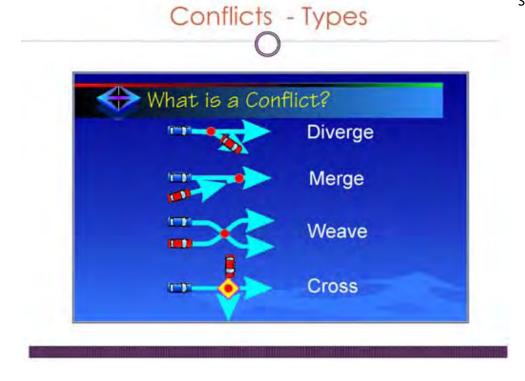
NAME	1990	2000
Adirondack Plaza	3,456	9,904
Kiss the Cook	1,620	2,660
Mornile	1,168	2,608
Amst, Savings Bank		4,400
Windmill Diner	4,296	10,270
84 Lumber	28,620	30,620
Bloomfields		1,000
Kem Piaza		15,696
Mobil/Subway	1,575	2.775
PolarPlaza	16,233	18,233
Alpin Haus	68,900	74,120
McDonalds	4.018	5,518
Terry Financial		1,120

NAME	1990	2000
Eckard's Drugs	8,200	11,200
Classic Car Wash		2,400
Pizza Hut		2,842
Amst. Family Prac.		10,950
Ponderosa		5,437
John Ray Rentals	2,560	3,560
Country Feed Store	2,670	7,390
Super K-Mart		178,209
Sanford Farms		100,850
Spec Retail		7,488
Taco Bell		2,039
Wal-Mart		116,197
VillageSquare		52,294
Wendy's		2.928
Advanced Auto-		6,889
Total (square feet)	526,298	541,281

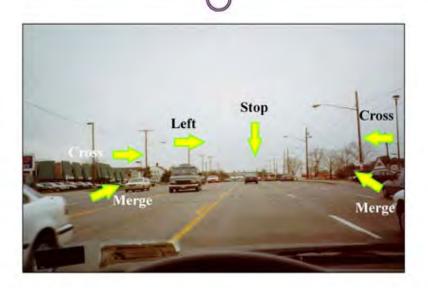
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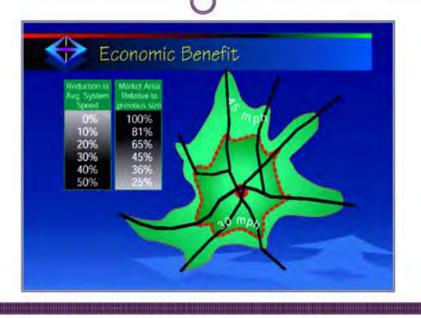
# Conflict Point Exposures



Safety, Capacity, Travel Time









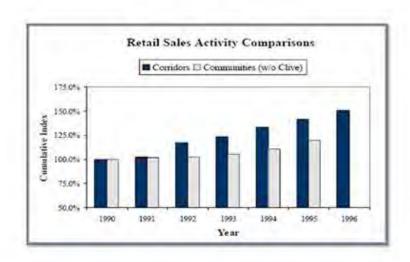
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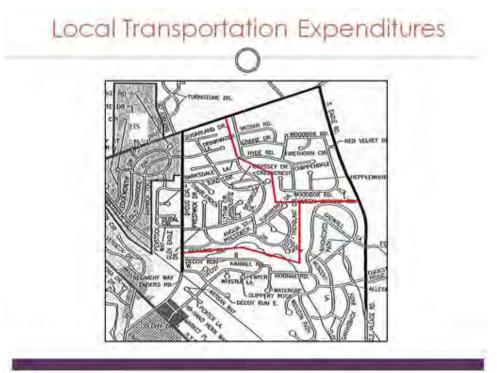
# Retail Sales



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# Aesthetics & Sociability

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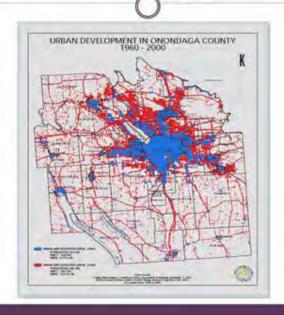
# Project Selection Criteria

- Do we have the skills?
- Do we have the time?
- Is the timing right?
- Are they going to act?
- · Is it worth it?
- ✓ Is the fishing any good?



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### Smart Growth: Where does it stem from?



# Smart Growth: Sprawl is Also Local







# Related Initiatives

#### Smart Growth

- Liveable Neighborhoods
- Transit Oriented Development
- Safe Routes
- Complete Streets
  - Main Streets
  - Quality Communities
  - Sustainable Development
  - Context Sensitive Development
  - Brownfields Opportunity Sites

# External Factors May Force Change

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Petroleum: Price, Supply

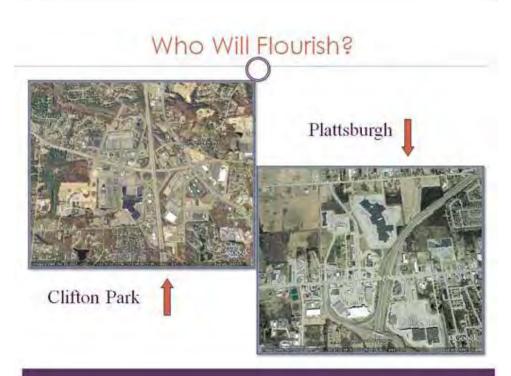
Finance: System Costs

Environmental: GHG

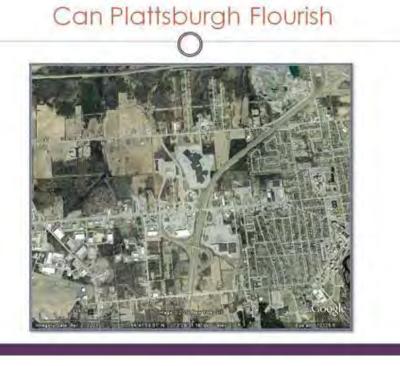
Demographics: Aging

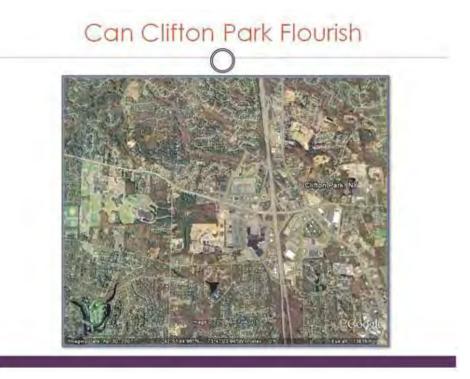
# Smart Growth Focus

- Strengthen and direct development towards existing communities
- Promote mixed land uses
- Provide a range of housing opportunities and choices
- Create walkable neighborhoods
- Provide a variety of transportation choices











# Objectives

Local

Finance

Tax Base

Economic Health

Services

Environment & Open Space

Cultural & Historic

Transportation

Recreation

Property Value

State

Finance

Traffic volumes

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**Accidents** 

Travel Time

Transportation Costs

Bike, Pedestrian, Transit

Environment

Econ. & Energy Efficiency

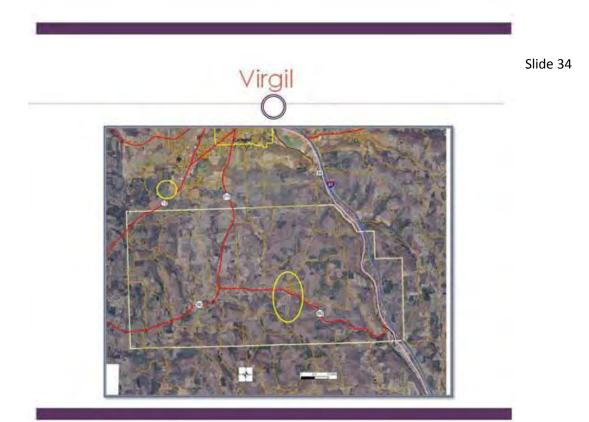
## NYSDOT: Development Management

Highway Work Permit

- Turn Lanes
- Capacity
- Signals & Signal Management
- Medians
- Roundabouts
- TDM & TSM
- Access Retrofits
- Pedestrian & Bike Facilities
- Transit Facilities

Local: Development Management Slide 33

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  - Zoning Map
  - Zoning Ordinance
  - Subdivision Ordinance
  - Site Plan / Subdivision Approval
  - SEQRA or GEIS
  - Comprehensive Plan
  - Capital Programs -- Infrastructure



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### Virgil: Environmental Objectives

Preserve open space, farmland, critical resources, and outdoor recreation opportunities.



Caveats - maintain property values and the ability to sell property.

# Virgil: Economic Objectives

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- Enhance tourism, local business opportunities, agriculture, and "environmentally-based" businesses.
- Preserve the external-external linkage to employment and spending outside the Town.



Caveats - avoid strip development and big boxes, minimize aesthetic impacts

# Virgil: Final Zoning



# Virgil: Property Value and Sales

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- The availability of land is much larger than demand ... availability does not constrain development but transfers revenue from property owners to speculators and developers
- Land costs are a much smaller share of the cost of housing than elsewhere .... the cost of land in large lots does not constrain development
- Large lots with development incentives provide an opportunity to spread the revenue benefits of growth

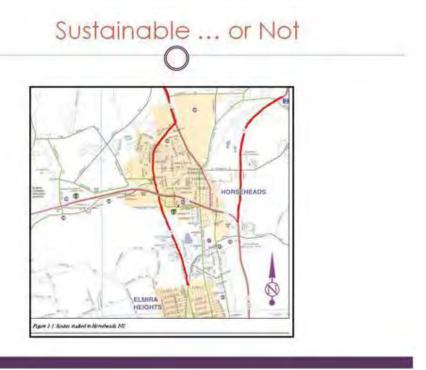
# Virgil: Environment & Transportation

- Large lots, with incentives, provide the simplest and least complex way to reduce pressure on sensitive resources .... and preserve farmland and open-space
- Location of commercial zoning removes bulk of traffic from conflicts with local and commuter traffic
- Location of commercial zoning enhances opportunities for bike and pedestrian users and, potentially, short-run jitney service between the ski areas and commercial facilities

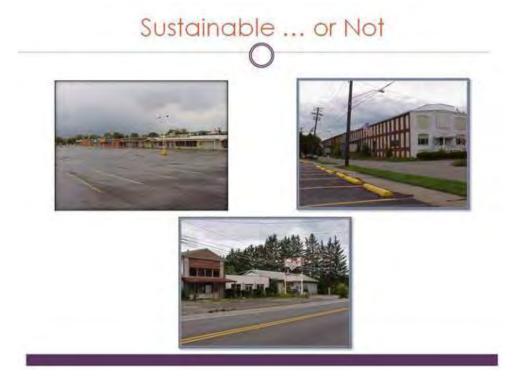
# Smart Growth - Development Issues

- Sustainable Development
- Value of a "Road"
- Cumulative Impacts
- Opportunistic
- Able (and Willing) to Say "No!"
- Linkage and Collaboration

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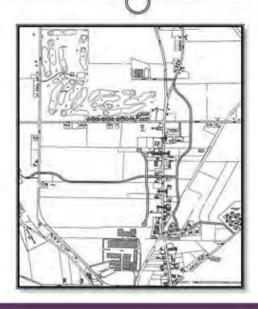
### Failure to Recognize the Greater Value of a Road



# Protect the Greater Value of a Road

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# Cumulative and Distributed Impacts



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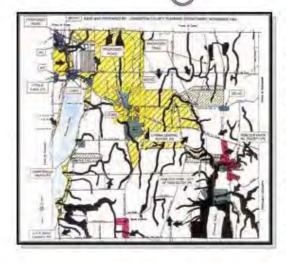
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# Willing (and Able) to Say "No"



# Livonia - Linkage & Collaboration

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#### Rezoning Plus

- (1) Retail & commercial down-zoning except at new village center
- (2) Industrial + at multimodal location providing best access to Rt. 390
- (3) Residential, 4-4-4 acre in Village, 5 acres outside with significant incentives for clustering
- (4) Access management standards to establish road grid

### Livonia - Linkage & Collaboration

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# Smart Growth Begins With A Vision

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But follow-through is everything!



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