



LONG ISLAND REGIONAL COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

February 23, 2016

2:00 PM – 4:00 PM

Hofstra University
David S. Mack Student Center
360 Hofstra University
Hempstead, NY 11549

Regular Meeting - Open to the Public

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| 2:00 pm – 2:10 pm | Welcome and Opening Remarks
<i>Co-Chair Kevin Law and Co-Chair Rabinowitz</i> |
| 2:10 pm – 2:30 pm | Overview of the 2016 State of the State – Built to Lead
<i>Lieutenant Governor Kathleen Hochul</i> |
| 2:30 pm – 2:55 pm | Overview of Consolidated Funding Application (CFA) Process and expectations for Round VI
<i>Ryan Silva, Vice President, Regional Economic Development</i> |
| 2:55 pm – 3:10 pm | Overview of New York State Broadband Initiative
<i>Jeff Nordhaus, Executive Vice President and Ana Rua, Director of Outreach of Empire State Development Innovation & Broadband</i> |
| 3:10 pm – 3:20 pm
bio-technology | LI BIO, A new committee of the LIA to help advance our designated cluster;
<i>Kevin Law, President of the Long Island Association</i> |
| 3:20 pm – 3:30 pm | Overview of the LIRR Third Track
<i>Dave Kapell, Consultant of the Rauch Foundation</i> |
| 3:30 pm – 3:40 pm | Overview of New York State Mentoring Program
<i>Stephanie Royal, Downstate Director, New York State Mentoring Program</i> |
| 3:40 pm – 3:55 pm | Open Discussion/Public Forum |
| 3:55 pm – 4:00 pm | Closing Remarks/Adjourn |

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Meeting Notes

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Hofstra University Multi – Purpose Room

Regional Council Attendees

Lt. Governor Kathy Hochul - Chair-
Stuart Rabinowitz - Co-Chair
Kevin Law - Co-Chair
Cara Longworth - Executive Director
Bill Wahlig
Doon Gibbs
Noreen Carro

Resi Cooper
Jim Margo
Belinda Pagdanganan
Dr. Hubert Keen
Desmond Ryan
John Durso
Dave Kapell

State Agency Attendance

ESD Team - Barry Greenspan, Brian Scripture, Denise Zani, Beverly Bobb
EFC – Dwight Brown
NYPA – Tom DeJesu
PARKS - Brian Foley
DOS – Jamie Eithier
DOL – Shital Patel

Meeting called to order at 2:10

Stuart Rabinowitz - Delivered opening remarks to start the meeting. He welcomed all meeting attendees and thanked the Council and ESD Team for all the hard work performed in previous CFA rounds. He acknowledged Hofstra as a CFA awardee and provided a brief overview of all Hofstra CFA projects to date.

Stuart Rabinowitz – On behalf of the LIREDC, Stuart presented a plaque to Dr. Hubert Keen for his years of commitment, hard work and dedication to the Council.

Dr. Keen – Thanked the Council, the Governor and the ESD Team.

Kevin Law – Thanked and acknowledged all of the elected officials in attendance. (David Levy and Anthony Santino)

LG Hochul - Congratulated the LI region on receiving top performance awards for 4 years. She commended the Regional Council for their dedication and excellent display of synergy between business, labor and academia. The LG presented a short version of the 2016 Build to Lead State of the State.

Ryan Silva – Provided an overview of CFA Round VI. Once approved by the State Legislature the 2016/2017 State Budget will allow the availability of \$750M of state fund to be used towards CFA Round VI. 12 State agencies will participate in Round VI providing 30 funding Programs. \$150 Million will be allocated towards ESD Grant Funds and \$70M will be allocated towards Excelsior Tax Credits. The remaining \$530M will be allocated across various state agencies. CFA Round VI will have a similar timeline as Round V.

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Ryan provided details on the Downtown Revitalization Initiative (DRI), overseen by program chairman Cesar Perales. Pending budget approval, the \$100M DRI Program would allow each of 10 regions to receive \$10M for a single community. Additional information will be provided at a later date.

Kevin Law – LIREDC will organize a committee to oversee the DRI selection process for the region.

Jeff Nordhaus – Provided an overview of the NYS Broadband Initiative - The New NY Broadband Program (the "Program") will provide grants to qualifying applicants to incentivize the expansion of broadband access to unserved and underserved areas throughout the State. Authorized by the 2015-2016 NYS Budget, the Program makes available \$500 million to applicants agreeing to make co-investments in the funded infrastructure projects.

Kevin Law – Discussed the progress of the Bio-Tech industry cluster. The LIA will establish a forum for bio-tech businesses called The Long Island Bio. Cold Spring Harbor and Canon will Co-Chair the Forum.

David Kapell – LIRR Third Rail overview - In order to modernize the LIRR the Governor announced a renewed effort to expand the LIRR's capacity between Floral Park and Hicksville. The project will allow the LIRR to increase service, reduce congestion and train delays and attract businesses and jobs.

Dr. Stephanie Royal – Spoke about the NYS Mentoring Program. The goal of the Program is to provide one-to-one, school-based mentoring statewide to help children reach their full potential. Mentors will focus on relationship building and the social emotional needs and development of school-dependent children. The Program will work with private sector and nonprofit leaders to identify mentoring partners.

Stuart Rabinowitz – Acknowledged Cara Longworth and the ESD Long Island Team for their energy and commitment and diligent work over the past year.

Kevin Law – Opened the floor for public comment

Pearl Jacobs of the Uniondale Civic Association - Expressed gratitude towards the Council and provided an overview on the Uniondale Community. Ms. Jacobs stated the community is excited about the proposed HUB project but believes there are other opportunities that should be available to the community.

Margo Cargill of Titanium Linx Consulting– Reiterated Ms. Jacobs's comments on the Uniondale Community and the disinvestment of the Uniondale area. She is looking forward to a better working relationship with the LIREDC and a positive future for the downtown Uniondale Community.

Stuart Rabinowitz – Acknowledged the Hofstra Campus is located in Uniondale and is delighted to continue a working relationship with the community.

3:37 – LIREDC meeting adjourned at 3:37pm.

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