



**LONG ISLAND REGIONAL COUNCIL
MEETING AGENDA
February 23, 2015
3:00 PM – 5:00 PM**

Long Island Association
Lower Level Meeting Room
300 Broad Hollow Road
Melville, NY 11747

Regular Meeting - Open to the Public

3:00 pm – 3:05 pm	Welcome and Opening Remarks <i>Co-Chair Kevin Law and Co-Chair Rabinowitz</i>
3:05 pm – 3:40 pm	Overview of the State of Opportunity <i>Lieutenant Governor Kathleen Hochul</i>
3:40 pm – 3:45pm	Introductory Remarks <i>Howard Zemsky, President & CEO Designate at Empire State Development</i>
3:45 pm – 3:55 pm	Overview of Consolidated Funding Application (CFA) Process and expectations for Round V <i>Ryan Silva, Deputy Director, Regional Economic Development Councils</i>
3:55 pm – 4:25 pm	Presentations from Round IV Regional Council Funded Projects <ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Future Farmers grant program – <i>August Ruckdeschel and David Calone, Suffolk County Luke McKay – Peconic Land Trust</i>➤ Wyandanch Rising Building C – <i>George Aridas, Albanese Development Corporation</i><ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Long Island Music Hall of Fame - <i>Jonathan Keyes, Town of Babylon</i>➤ Nursing Innovation Laboratory – <i>Lori Duggan Gold and Patrick Coon, Adelphi University</i>➤ Long Island University Start UP NY Building – <i>Christopher Fevola and Michael Glickman</i>
4:25 pm – 4:35 pm	Progress of Round IV Contracts <i>Cara Longworth, LIREDC Executive Director</i>
4:35 pm – 4:45 pm	Overview of Energy Vision and Clean Energy Fund <i>Sharon Griffith, Project Manager from NYSERDA</i>
4:45 pm – 4:55 pm	Public Forum
4:55 pm – 5:00 pm	Closing Remarks/Adjourn

Long Island Regional Economic Development Council Meeting

Monday February 23, 2015 at 3:00PM

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Attendees:

Regional Council Members:

Chair, Lieutenant Governor Kathy Hochul
Co-chair Kevin Law
Co-chair Stuart Rabinowitz
Exec. Dir., Cara Longworth
James D'Addario
Doon Gibbs

Rupert Hopkins
Desmond Ryan
Anne Shybunko-Moore
Hubert Keen
Belinda Pagdanganan

Also in attendance were:

Ryan Silva, Dep. Director of Regional Councils
Senator, Jack Martins
Assemblyman, Chad Lupinacci

Assemblyman, Joseph Saladino,
Suffolk County Legislator, Kevin McCaffrey

State Agency Staff:

Barry Greenspan, ESD
Denise Zani, ESD
Brian Scripture, ESD
Beverly Bobb, ESD
Brian Teubner, ESD
Tracie Holmberg, DOL
Pamela Bedford, DOL
Dwight Brown, EFC

Peter Scully, DEC
Jaime Ethier, DOS
Shital Patel, DOL
Sharon Griffith, NYSERDA
Gregory Watson, HCR
Glenn Murrell, DOT

Introduction - Kevin Law:

Kevin Law opened the meeting at 3:00PM

- Introduced New York State Delegation:
 - Senator Jack Martins
 - Assemblyman Chad Lupinacci
 - Assemblyman Joseph Saladino
 - Suffolk County Legislator Kevin McCaffrey
 - Lieutenant Governor Kathy Hochul (Kevin noted credentials with introduction)

Welcoming - Lt. Governor Hochul:

- Key Points:
 - Beginnings as an advocate of small businesses
 - Goals including as an Ambassador to Long Island
 - Oversight of Regional Councils as high priority
 - Global Trade initiative key factor in REDC - Round V
 - Reference to Howard Zemsky as business colleague
- Highlight from State of the State (Opportunity Agenda)
- Broadband Access initiative for 2015

Stuart Rabinowitz:

Stuart acknowledged the achievements of the Long Island REDC including praise of dedicated efforts by associated Work Groups and Regional Office staff.

- Introduction to Cara Longworth as ESD, LI Region Director and Executive Director of LI Regional Council
- Introduction to Howard Zemsky as President and CEO of Empire State Development

Howard Zemsky:

- Background (Professional & Personal)
 - Long Island beginnings as youth
 - Buffalo's development oversight as Co-Chair of Western New York REDC
- Governor's approach to Economic Development
 - Decentralized methodology key
 - Long-term job-creation plans strategy

(Kevin Law introduces) Ryan Silva:

Ryan acknowledged the success of LIREDC during Round IV and noted the priority for Global NY initiative being incorporated during upcoming Round V.

- Planned funding for Round V
 - \$170M ESD
 - \$70M Excelsior

Stuart Rabinowitz:

Stuart introduced presentation of a cross section of LIREDC projects from Round IV

Dave Calone:

- Agriculture initiative
- "Farmers for the Future"
 - Incentivize young farmers
 - 'Next generation'
 - Ideas stimulation platform
 - Food safety standards enhancement
 - \$1M ESD Grant commitment for capital investment projects
 - Peconic Land Trust, Incorporated to administer program

George Aridas:

- Wyandanch Rising project
 - Transit-Oriented Development (“TOD”) project overview
 - Building “A” finished - opening shortly (within week)
 - Economic and employment opportunities for area residents
 - \$1.5M ESD Grant commitment for three- story commercial building

Jonathan Keyes: (Wyandanch – Town of Babylon)

- Review of Town of Babylon planning / construction status
 - Plaza (currently under construction)
 - Railroad Station depot including pedestrian walkway (to follow Plaza)
 - Rink (to be within Plaza)

Dr. Coonan:

- Adelphi University Nursing Lab
 - ‘Nexus’ Building status
 - Review of Nursing Lab facility upgrade plans
 - Technology planning collaboration with North Shore LIJ
 - 200 additional Adelphi nursing student capacity
 - \$2.5M ESD Grant commitment for Nursing Lab & Training Center

Michael Glickman:

- Long Island University Research, Innovation and Technology Park
 - LIU development of existing space to facilitate Start Up NY program
 - \$500K ESD Grant commitment for construction of incubator space

Kevin Law summarized:

- Cross section aspect of projects from east end to western most Long Island
- Credit to REDC Work Groups for efforts in project development process
- Acknowledgment of Barry Greenspan, ESD for serving as Interim LIRO Director

Cara Longworth:

- Top Performer status acknowledgement of LIREDC
- REDC Work Groups key in overall achievements for region
- ESD Staff instrumental in LIRO support of success
- Round IV- \$81.9M awarded
- State Agency Resource Team support acknowledged

Sharon Griffith (NYSERDA):

- Energy Efficiency Program Status

- Reforming the Energy Vision (REV)
- Regulatory reform impact / distribution infrastructure / emissions reduction
- NY Prize initiative will modernize electric grid with microgrid incentives
- 'Clean Energy Fund' will scale up energy efficiency / renewable energy projects
- Underserved communities will have increased access
- Ensure low income residents benefit from clean energy

Kevin opened to floor:

- Senator Martens:
 - Recommended that Water Quality projects be a priority for LIREDC Round V

Stuart Rabinowitz:

- Summary of Round V 'forecast' positive noting continuing strong efforts by LIREDC
- Ideas shall continue to stem via REDC Work Groups facilitation

Meeting adjourned at 4:45PM