



**LONG ISLAND REGIONAL COUNCIL  
MEETING AGENDA**

2:30 PM – 5:30 PM

September 13, 2011

Montaukett Learning Resource Center, Suffolk County Community College – Eastern Campus  
121 Speonk-Riverhead Rd., Riverhead, NY

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(open to the public)

- 2:30 – 2:40 p.m.      **Welcome and Opening Remarks**  
Lieutenant Governor Robert Duffy  
Council Co-Chairs Stu Rabinowitz and Kevin Law
- 2:40 – 4:15 p.m.      **Work Group Reports & Discussion**  
Presentation: Work Group Co-Chairs
- 4:15 – 4:20 p.m.      **Regional Economic Development Vision Statement Reaffirmation**  
Co-Chair Kevin Law
- 4:20 – 4:25 p.m.      **Public Participation Update**  
Co-Chair Stu Rabinowitz
- 4:25 – 4:45 p.m.      **Presentation of Consolidated Funding Application Process**  
Irene Baker
- 4:45 – 5:10 p.m.      **CFA Endorsement Standards & Adoption**  
**Discussion of Priority Project Scoring Criteria**  
Executive Director Andrea Lohneiss
- 5:10 – 5:20 p.m.      **Next Steps/Wrap-Up**  
Co-Chairs Stu Rabinowitz and Kevin Law
- 5:20 – 5:30 p.m.      **Concluding Remarks/Adjourn**  
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**PRESS GAGGLE**

**Lieutenant Governor and Co-Chairs**

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The meeting opened at 2:30pm with welcome remarks from Lt Governor Duffy who stressed that the regional council process under Gov Cuomo’s leadership will change the way NYS undertakes economic development. Lt. Governor Duffy was followed by welcome remarks from Suffolk County Community College President Shaun McKay then from Long Island Regional Council Co-Chairs Kevin Law and Stuart Rabinowitz. They were joined at head of table by Mark Grossman, Commissioner’s Long Island Regional Representative and Andrea Lohneiss, Executive Director, Regional Economic Development Council.

Regional Council Members in attendance:

Dr. Sam Aronson  
Dr. Calvin O. Butts, III  
Noreen Carro  
James D’Addario  
John R. Durso  
Tracey A. Edwards  
Lutricia (Pat) Edwards  
Marianne Garvin  
V. Elaine Gross  
Rupert Hopkins  
Harvey Kamil  
Dr. Hubert Keen (work group co chair as delegate for Joseph Cabral)  
Kevin Law  
Patricia M. McMahan  
Bel Pagdanganan  
Stuart Rabinowitz  
Desmond Ryan  
Paulette Satur  
Anne D. Shybunko-Moore  
Samuel L. Stanley Jr., M.D.  
William J. Wahlig

Ex-Officio –

Jim Morgo (work group co chair as delegate for Mark Lesko)

Yves Michel (delegate of Suffolk County Executive Steve Levy)

Phil Nolan

Linda Bianculli (delegate of Oyster Bay Supervisor John Venditto)

Kevin Law acknowledged the elected officials present including New York State Assembly member Daniel Losquadro and Riverhead Town Supervisor Sean Walter.

Regional Council State Agency Staff and work group members:

Subimal Chakraborti

Loretta Crawford

Tom DeJesu

Brian Foley

Vinnie Frigeria

George Gorman

Mark Grossman

Sharon Griffith

Jaime Ethier

Marianela Jordan

Andrea Lohneiss

Amy Lowth

Domenic Martello

Carol Mead

Joe Palozzola

Aida Reyes-Kuehn

Lindsay Robbins

Peter Scully

Greg Watson

Steve Bate

Bonnie Brady

Gemma de Leon

Dick Dibble

Kathleen Gaine for Celeste Johnson

Rich Guardino

Barry Greenspan

John Halsey

Lawrence Levy

John Lombardo

Pat Malone

Carrie Meek-Gallagher

Paul Monte

Kelly Morris

Jim Moya

Thomas Ockers

Steve Savage

Anne Marie Scheidt

Charlie Strain

!Note that many public participants observed but may not have stopped at registration table.

**Agenda item – Work Group Reports and Discussion** - Kevin Law introduced the co-chairs of each individual work group; noting that the work group leadership and membership are comprised of council members from the public and private sector. These volunteers will be contributing heavily to the Strategic Plan and project development for the councils review.

Work Group Presentations: The following reported on individual work group activity and disposition, reports included concrete proposals:

- Innovation and Industry Cluster - Dr. Sam Stanley and Stephen Savage
- Natural Assets - Carrie Meek Gallagher and Bel Pagdanganan
- Infrastructure - Desmond Ryan and Jim Morgo
- Education and Workforce - Dr. Hubert Keen (Joe Cabral not present)
- Nassau Hub committee of the Infra-structure group - Stu Rabinowitz

Kevin asked all work groups if they have the support they need and if meetings are going well, all work groups agreed they have excellent participation.

Before the Writers' committee presentation a discussion ensued about the responsibilities and requirements of regional council members, including the value of the metric used to score potential projects.

Harvey Kamil voiced his concern about which scoring criteria will have the most value and how will the council ensure that the funded projects will have a strong ROI.

Elaine Grossman questioned the best definition of *economic success*; how do we ensure the process is available to all demographics.

Stu Rabinowitz suggested that our vision statement includes the expectation to use this new process to lift all people in a variety of demographics;

Jim D'Addario inquired about the achievability of reviewing all the applications in such a short time frame.

Stu noted that the process is part of a five-year plan,

- Writers committee - Marianne Garvin and Larry Levy

Marianne Garvin reminded everyone that Andrea sent a proposed set of *priority criteria*, as different projects fall into different *categories*, there is a wide funnel to solicit transformative projects.

**Agenda item – Regional Economic Development Vision Statement Reaffirmation** –latest variation of the vision statement was posted on 9/06/11. All attendees understand and agree that the Vision Statement will continue to evolve until it represents the views of the region.

Long Island Regional Council Vision Statement

9-6-11

*For Long Island's economy, innovation has been our past and will be our future. This is the region whose high tech companies and institutions produced the aircraft that helped win a world war, built the Lunar Module which first put men on the moon and cracked the genetic code. Long Island will become a national and global center for innovation and the model for a knowledge-based economy to create new high-paying jobs and improve the quality of life for every one of our residents.*

*The Long Island Regional Council's vision for long-term economic growth is characterized by close, ongoing collaboration between academia, the private sector, labor, and government to protect and grow our advanced manufacturing base while encouraging innovation in life sciences, business processes and our vital high-technology industry cluster – particularly in the areas of defense and homeland security, information technology and clean energy.*

*To accomplish this, we will build on the successes of our existing businesses, translate the valuable research conducted at our world-class research institutions, and mobilize our highly skilled and educated workforce. Furthermore, investments in our transportation, housing and sewer infrastructures, natural assets, youth and in the training and education of our workforce will support a sustainable economy that revitalizes communities and protects our natural environment.*

*Born of a desire to encourage creative, collaborative entrepreneurial partnerships and to overcome long-standing impediments, the Long Island Regional Council's Strategic Plan will signify a major step toward achieving this vision. The final outcome will be a blueprint for deliberate growth that will enhance Long Island's job-generating capacity and establish the region as a global center of innovation.*

**Agenda item – Public Participation Update-** A requirement of the regional Public Participation Plan, regional public forums were held from 5pm to 7pm at two separate locations; one in Suffolk County on 9/7/2011 and one in Nassau County on 9/12/2011, average number attendees was 75. Another public forum is being planned for each county in the month of October. The Public Participation Plan includes media advisories, email outreach, weekly press announcements, local daily, weekly and monthly newspapers coverage in addition to the Governors website. This captures all meeting notes and council and work group activities. [www.Governor.ny.gov](http://www.Governor.ny.gov) Also stated in the Plan, the council is encouraged to participate in and invite colleagues to participate in regional public forums. View public forum schedule: <http://nyworks.ny.gov/content/long-island> View the LI regional plan: [http://nyworks.ny.gov/themes/nyopenrc/rc-files/longisland/LI\\_PublicParticipationStrategy.pdf](http://nyworks.ny.gov/themes/nyopenrc/rc-files/longisland/LI_PublicParticipationStrategy.pdf)

**Agenda item – Presentation of Consolidated Funding Application Process** - Irene Baker presented the “CFA” or Consolidated Funding Application utilizing a power point presentation which is now posted at [www.Governor.ny.gov](http://www.Governor.ny.gov).

Irene stated that the council is an advisory body established by Gov Cuomo to recommend projects. Council should encourage colleagues to make applications. The CFA is a streamlined method for seeking state funding for regional projects from 9 of the 17 different state agencies.

The CFA went live on 9/2/2011; application deadline is 4pm on 10/31/2011. The Long Island region has over 20 applications in progress as of 9/13/2011.

Applicants can log into the program via the internet. The (intuitive) application is interactive and will lead the applicant to eligible programs through an intake process. Clarification will be provided before the next full council meeting if the current application timeline for project review will be postponed [\$200 million (capital projects and tax credit) to be awarded in late 2011 to projects submitted by the Councils and the potential for \$800 million in additional state resources to support projects].

Applicants can apply for project funding via the CFA, via a Transformative Project Proposal Submission or both.

Ethics questions can be directed to Seth Agata at 518-474-8494

**Agenda item – Consolidated Funding Application/Endorsement Standards – Discussion of Priority Scoring Criteria – Andrea Lohneiss**

Andrea reviewed handout: CFA Review Scoring Criteria. She presented Power Point presentation which is now posted at [www.Governor.ny.gov](http://www.Governor.ny.gov).

Andrea provided details on specific requirements of the council as stated in the Manual such as the Priority scoring criteria must be developed by 10/01/2011.

Council voted to accept the Consolidated Funding Application/Endorsement Standard and then discussion continued about Priority Scoring Criteria. Andrea noted the Priority Project Scoring Criteria must be adopted by October 4<sup>th</sup>. She offered to meet or conference call with interested RC members to develop an improved scoring matrix which will be redistributed prior to the October 4 meeting.

**Next Steps/Wrap-Up**

Kevin Law thanked everyone for bearing with the process.

**5:25 – 5:30 p.m. Concluding Remarks/Adjourn**

**Lieutenant Governor Robert Duffy**

Lt. Governor concluded the meeting at 5:25 pm with the remark that Long Island should keep an eye on what is best for Long Island.

Public was admitted and approximately 75 non-council members were in attendance.