

**CITY OF RYE
MEMORANDUM**

TO: Honorable Mayor and Council Members
FROM: Frank J. Culross, City Manager
SUBJECT: Enclosures - Council Packet
DATE: September 11, 2009

Enclosed with this memorandum are the following items:

- 9-6 Letter from Michael P. Anderson, Tappan Zee Bridge/I-287 Corridor Project Director, dated August 27, 2009 regarding outreach activities related to the City of Rye.
- 9-7 Letter from Kathy Thorsberg, Westchester County Commissioner of Finance, dated September 4, 2009 regarding an increase in election-related expenses.
- 9-8 Letter from Robert Hoch, Cablevision Director of Government Affairs, dated September 4, 2009 regarding the final phase of analog box reclamation.
- 9-9 Litigation Update from the Corporation Counsel dated September 11, 2009.
- 9-10 Invitation to The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society's upcoming fundraising event, *Light the Night Walk*, to be held on Friday, October 2, 2009 at Rye Playland.
- 9-11 Meeting notice for the week of September 14, 2009.

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TAPPAN ZEE BRIDGE/I-287
ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

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City Manager's Office
Rye, New York

August 27 2009

Hon. Steven Otis
Mayor
City of Rye
1051 Boston Post Rd
City Hall 3rd Floor, Room 31
Rye, NY 10580

Re: Project Outreach Activities

Dear Mayor Otis:

The Tappan Zee Bridge/I-287 Corridor Project recently concluded the Scoping phase of the study, and I am pleased to report that we are now in the process of refining our analysis of specific elements related to the City of Rye. In the coming months, we hope to engage you and other municipal leaders of the city, including planning and transportation officials, as well as members of the public in the municipality.

Our intention is not only to discuss current thinking of the Project Team, but also to elicit your thoughts toward enhancing the quality of our efforts. We value your input and will work toward mutually satisfactory solutions. Meetings will be small-group and take place over the next several months. They will cover a variety of topics, including transit and highway alignment; land use, including Transit-Oriented Development (TOD); environmental, including air, noise and economic impact; and bridge options under consideration.

Additionally, we intend to meet with the citizens of the City of Rye, including environmental justice groups and constituents, to share our thoughts and to obtain their input. That meeting would be open to even wider community and business participation. We would greatly appreciate your assistance in facilitating this effort, according to the following anticipated schedule:

- September-October 2009 – Local input on Transit Alignment and Bridge Options
- Fall 2009 – Citizen input on Transit Alignment & Bridge Options
- Early 2010 – Open House to Present Final Alternatives to be studied in the DEIS
- Summer 2009 – Spring 2010 – TOD Technical Assistance Meetings/Workshops
(details to follow)

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We appreciate your cooperation in providing us with your insight and preferences, and look forward to working with you and your community on this very important endeavor. A member of the Project Team will contact (or may already have contacted) your office and/or the appropriate municipal representative to begin the scheduling process. If you have any questions, or would like to discuss this matter further, please do not hesitate to contact me, at 914-358-0600.

Thank you for your continued interest in the Tappan Zee Bridge/I-287 Corridor Project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michael P. Anderson". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "M" and "A".

Michael P. Anderson, P.E.
Project Director

Cc: Joe Pasanello, MTA/MNR
Angel Medina, NYSTA
Frank J. Culross, City Manager
Dawn Nodarse, City Clerk
Barbara Cummings, Planning Board Chair
Christian Miller, City Planner
Alan Wyle, Zoning Board Chair

Andrew J. Spano
County Executive

Department of Finance
Kathy Thorsberg, CPA
Commissioner

September 4, 2009

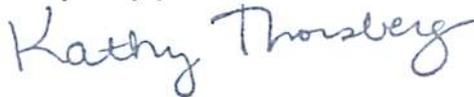
Honorable Steven Otis
Mayor
City of Rye
1051 Boston Post Road
Rye, NY 10580

Dear Mayor Otis:

In order to help you prepare your 2010 budget, I wanted to let you know your municipality's share of election-related expenses in 2010 (as authorized by Chapter 180 of the Laws of 2005, the New York State Election Consolidation and Improvement Act), will increase by 1.8% over your 2009 expenses. The 1.8% increase is based on the New York Metro Tri-State area CPI-U average for the last 12 months. The amount for the City of Rye for 2010 will be \$20,805.88.

The County's costs for elections have gone up every year since 2005, and we have not passed any of the increased expenses on to the municipalities. Unfortunately, we can no longer continue to absorb the entire increase. Even this modest increase to our municipalities does not cover our increased costs. In future years, you should continue to anticipate a CPI increase. We appreciate your understanding.

Very truly yours,



Kathy Thorsberg
Commissioner of Finance

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cc: Dawn F. Nodarse, City Clerk

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City Manager's Office
Rye, New York





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City Manager's Office
Rye, New York

September 4, 2009

The Honorable Steven Otis, Mayor
City of Rye
1051 Boston Post Road
Rye, New York 10580-2996

Re: Analog Box Reclamation – Final Phase

Dear Mayor Otis:

As we continue to explore new and exciting digital offerings like high definition television and interactive services for our customers, we periodically evaluate our existing service offerings. We determined that due to the overwhelming adoption of digital services by our customer base, we would discontinue support for the limited number of analog converters in the field that are being used as tuners, remote controls and/or parental control devices.

Effective October 7, 2009, analog boxes used as tuners, remote controls and/or parental control devices will no longer function in your community. Customers with analog boxes will need to remove the analog box and connect their cable line directly to their televisions or their tuner-equipped VCR or DVD player. Removing the analog box will not impact the ability of customers with a cable-ready television set or tuner equipped VCR / DVD player to continue to view Cablevision's analog channel lineup.

For those customers who use the analog box as a parental control we will continue to honor our commitment of providing parental controls at no additional cost. Customers seeking parental control capabilities will be issued non-addressable equipment at no charge.

Customers will be notified via post card through the US Mail.

If you have any questions, as always please feel free to call me at 914-378-4515.

Sincerely,

Robert Hoch

**CITY OF RYE
MEMORANDUM**

TO: Honorable Mayor and Rye City Council
FROM: Kevin J. Plunkett, Corporation Counsel
SUBJECT: Litigation Update
DATE: September 11, 2009

LITIGATION

There was no activity this week in litigation affecting the City.

CITY COURT

Routine calendar with no unusual dispositions.

Respectfully submitted,

Kevin J. Plunkett

Kevin J. Plunkett
Corporation Counsel

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**The Leukemia &
Lymphoma Society**

Fighting Blood Cancers

Westchester/Hudson Valley Chapter

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September 4, 2009

Mayor Steven Otis
3rd Floor City Hall
1051 Boston Post Rd.
Rye, NY 10580

Dear Mayor Otis,

As the Executive Director of the Westchester/Hudson Valley Chapter of The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society (LLS), I would like to take this opportunity to invite you to our upcoming **Light The Night Walk at Rye Playland on Friday, October 2nd.**

Our unique evening walk is highlighted by its parade of flickering red, white and gold balloons against the twilight sky, celebrating and commemorating those whose lives have been touched by blood cancers. Last year's three Westchester/Hudson Valley Light The Night Walks raised over \$550,000 for LLS. Rocco Campanelli, a 13 year old leukemia survivor from White Plains, is the Honored Hero of the 2009 Westchester Walk. He will speak and walk at the event.

More than 1,700 walkers are expected to participate overall. Registration, music, and food begin at 5 p.m., followed by the walk at 7 p.m., and fireworks at 8 p.m. We would love for you to speak during our opening ceremonies, which start at 6:30 p.m.

Proceeds from **Light The Night** support LLS' mission to find a cure for leukemia, lymphoma, myeloma, and Hodgkin's Disease, and to improve the quality of life of patients and their families. Our hope is that your schedule will permit you to carry the light of hope with thousands of others and to be recognized as a champion of continued cancer research. Your presence will inspire our participants and make Light The Night's 10th anniversary year one they will always remember.

Please let us know whether you will be able to join us for this celebration by contacting Katie Hobday at (914) 821-8268 or Katie.Hobday@lls.org.

Thank you in advance for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Dennis Chillemi
Executive Director

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**City Manager's Office
Rye, New York**

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**CITY OF RYE
MEMORANDUM**

TO: Department Heads
FROM: City Clerk's Office
SUBJECT: **Weekly Meeting Notice**
DATE: September 10, 2009

Meetings scheduled to be held during the week of September 14, 2009.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2009

Board of Architectural Review
8:00 P.M.
Council Chambers
Mayor's Conference Room

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2009

Planning Commission
7:00 P.M.
Council Chambers
Mayor's Conference Room

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2009

City Council Meeting
and
***Discussion and Presentation of Draft
Design for the Central Avenue Bridge***
8:00 P.M.
Council Chambers
Mayor's Conference Room

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2009

Conservation Commission
7:30 P.M.
Rye Nature Center

cc: News Media
Kerry Donahue