

At a Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Coeymans, at Town Hall, 18 Russell Avenue, Ravena, New York, on May 27, 2021 there were:

	<i>Present</i>	<i>Absent</i>	<i>Aye</i>	<i>Nay</i>	<i>Abstain</i>
George D. McHugh	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Daniel D. Baker	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Zachary S. Collins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Brandon L. LeFevre	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Linda S. Bruno	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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I, Council member McHugh offer the following resolution and move its adoption:

**RESOLUTION ADOPTING COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENT**

**WHEREAS**, Section 272-a of the New York State Town Law recognizes importance of undertaking town comprehensive planning and land use regulation to facilitate the protection, enhancement, growth and development of the town and to promote the health, safety and general welfare of its citizens;

**WHEREAS**, the Town’s existing 2006 Comprehensive Plan has not been updated since its adoption; and

**WHEREAS**, in March 2020 the Town Board of the Town of Coeymans initiated the process of reviewing and updating the Town’s Comprehensive Plan; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town Board recognizes that the Comprehensive Plan provides an essential foundation for guiding future development and has demonstrated a commitment to maintaining the Comprehensive Plan document to effectively guide development in the Town of Coeymans; and

**WHEREAS**, on May 14, 2020 the Town Board authorized and contracted with M.J. Engineering and Land Surveying, P.C. of Clifton Park to serve as the Town’s professional consultants to facilitate a review and targeted update of the Comprehensive Plan per resolution #109-20; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town’s planning process to update the Comprehensive Plan has included a review of past planning efforts, analysis of existing conditions, and public engagement; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town has completed an analysis of existing conditions which included the preparation of a community profile by the Capital District Regional Planning Commission (CDRPC) in March 2020 and an analysis of the Natural Resources Inventory (NRI) prepared by the Town of Coeymans Conservation Advisory Council in July 2019. An Existing Conditions Supplement and Comprehensive Plan Report Card were also prepared by the consultant team to

evaluate existing conditions related to infrastructure and to identify relevant recommendations from the 2006 Comprehensive Plan; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town has considered public input throughout the planning review process, including an online community survey; two information pop-up stations at the Coeymans Farmer's Market on August 5, 2020 and at Riverfest on September 12, 2020; stakeholder group meetings held over the course of several days covering topic areas including Infrastructure, Mobility and Transportation; Economic Growth, Land Development and Business; Open Space, Recreation, Agriculture and the Environment; Education, History and Culture; and Regional Partners in August and September 2020; a Virtual Public Information Meeting held on March 4, 2021; and five Town Board workshops/meetings; and

**WHEREAS**, in December 2020, the Town Board prepared a draft Comprehensive Plan Amendment (the "Plan"); and

**WHEREAS**, the Town referred the draft Comprehensive Plan Amendment to the Albany County Planning Board for review, as required by Section 239-m of the General Municipal Law per Resolution #042-21; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Town Law § 272-a(9), the Town has taken into consideration any applicable county agricultural and farmland protection plans as created under article twenty-five-AAA of the NYS Agriculture and Markets Law; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town Board held a Public Hearing to solicit public comment on the draft Comprehensive Plan Amendment as required by New York State Town Law § 272-a which remained open from January 28, 2021 to March 11, 2021; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town Board modified the draft Comprehensive Plan Amendment to reflect comments received from the public through the public hearing process; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town Board referred the draft Comprehensive Plan to all adjacent municipalities for their review and consideration, to include the Village of Ravena, and the Towns of New Baltimore, Westerlo, Bethlehem and New Scotland; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town Board has declared itself lead agency and issued a SEQRA Negative Declaration per 6 NYCRR Part 617; and

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:**

1. That the Town Board of the Town of Coeymans hereby adopts the proposed Comprehensive Plan Amendment.

2. The Town Board directs that the Plan be periodically reviewed per Town Law § 272-a(10) at least every 5 years, with any changes or amendments to be implemented not less than every 10 years.

3. The Plan shall be filed in the office of the Town Clerk and a copy thereof filed with the Albany County Planning Board as required by Town Law § 272-a(12).

Seconded by Council member Collins, offered for discussion and duly put to a vote, the results of which appear above.