Crossroads 312 Project (CR-312)

Town Board Work Session - June 7, 2012

Town board must review DEIS for completeness

Engage public as early as possible

Possible to make Preliminary DEIS available to pubic but do not accept comments

Up to board to determine if P-DEIS should be available on web site

Town board would like document posted before any review

Applicant should set up web site and host document at their expense

Should be done within next two weeks

Town board will not review P-DEIS until it is posted online

Each chapter should have its own PDF file

Electronic publication is preferred. Hard copies will be available to read in town hall, library, etc.

CR-312 project link will be posted on town web site

Very complex project, considerable zoning amendment

P-DEIS is in two very large, heavy binders

Contemplating a special meeting once every month - 2nd Thursday

June 28, July 19, July 26

Determination of completeness in September

Public hearing in October

Applicant requested opportunity to make presentation to town board. June 28 meeting?

PowerPoint presentation requested

Applicant must understand if project is possible

Full environmental review is not required to reject a zoning change

Fast "no" is sometimes better than long "yes"

Suggest that ARRF, Jacobson, and Coleman compile comments

Applicant's materials must be submitted by 9:00 AM on the Friday before the Board meeting to be included on the agenda

Final DEIS includes all public comments with responses from the applicant

Statement of findings becomes the basis for making a decision

AKRF will provide a one page document that outlines the process for the public

How are changes to document noted? Changes will be tracked.

AKRF will be responsible for making sure that all questions and comments are addressed by the applicant.

The will be lots of time for lots of public comment

Everyone should focus on this project to honor obligations to the town and the applicant

Applicant pays for AKRF and all other associated expenses

Fees must be paid in advance

Comments by concerned citizens must be delivered objectively

Public comment: establish a hotel occupancy tax

Hotel occupancy tax was considered for town, but it is discouraged by New York State and was abandoned