

Councilwoman Bonner Addresses the All Hamlet Forum of the 25A Corridor Study at Caracappa Senior Center in Mt. Sinai

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Pictured above: Councilwoman Jane Bonner addressing participants.



Pictured above: Some of the many participants at the 25A Corridor Study.

Farmingville, NY - On Saturday, May 22nd at the Rose Caracappa Senior Center in Mt. Sinai, Councilwoman Jane Bonner addressed the All Hamlet Forum of the 25A Corridor Study. Said the Councilwoman, "I'd like to thank all the participants who attended the various hamlet meetings focusing on Route 25A. The quality and genuineness of your vision for the future of the communities where you live, work and raise your families impressed me greatly."

The Corridor Study is about the future of Route 25A its width, intersections, sidewalks, rotaries - how the road looks and how it functions, coupled with the intent of keeping in mind the character of each individual community. Participants were asked not to prejudge the outcome of the study. The job would not be over at the end of the session; an ongoing effort will be needed to make sure that the observations recorded are faithfully applied in the creation of the options and recommendations of this study.

"I know that some entered the process with a sense of misgiving - fearful that this exercise was just a method for the town to justify high density development in our communities. Make no mistake about it, there is intense development pressure all across Brookhaven and that's true of the Second District as well. With this study our residents made it abundantly clear that this is not their vision for their communities, and I agree whole-heartedly! I've watched as high-density project after high-density project has been brought before the Town Board and I have consistently opposed anything with which individual communities and the town as a whole do not agree. I continue to pledge that I will stand-up against any effort to pave over this district, or this town... I will continue to lead the charge against the urbanization of our communities. But I need second district residents behind me. We must not sacrifice the character of our communities to so-called "progress." We must have the courage to say "no" to the eastward migration of suburban sprawl and I will vigorously defend our communities against any level of government that sees it differently. Let's stick together through the conclusion of this study - then work to implement the vision contributed by all of its participants. We live in a place that is too good to lose... I am proud to represent the citizens of the Second Council District at Brookhaven Town Hall. Let's continue to move forward, together," concluded Councilwoman Bonner.

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