

Brookhaven IDA Approves Benefits Package for Indoor Soccer Facility to Replace Blighted Selden Supermarket

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Farmingville, NY - Brookhaven Town Supervisor Edward P. Romaine and Brookhaven Industrial Development Agency (IDA) Chairman Frederick C. Braun III have announced that the IDA board recently approved an economic development benefits package that will assist a developer to transform a long-shuttered Selden supermarket into a state-of-the-art indoor soccer facility.

The new facility will be built at the Selden Commercial Center LLC, a shopping center, once known as Edwards Plaza, at the intersection of County Road 83 and Route 25. East Setauket developer Parviz Farahzad, of Little Rock Construction owns the center. The project, which has the approval of the Town Planning Board, involves raising the roof of the vacant 50,000-square-foot supermarket to 50 feet in order to accommodate two full-size soccer fields. The remaining 15,000 square feet in the shopping center will house two restaurants and an existing Tutor Time child care center. The new soccer facility will result in the creation of seven full-time equivalent jobs.

The approval from the Brookhaven IDA provides the developer with the standard benefits package: Property Tax abatement, Sales Tax abatement (construction materials and the preparation of the site), and Mortgage Recording Tax (if applicable), but no reduction on the center's current property taxes. The Town will also work with the developer to expedite the review process and permit issuance.

"I am pleased that Mr. Farahzad and the IDA have made a commitment to redevelop this property, remove a blight and bring a first-class sports facility to Selden," said Supervisor Romaine. "This is another example of how the IDA is working together with the business community to help grow the local economy and create new jobs in Brookhaven Town." IDA Chairman Braun said, "

About the Town of Brookhaven Industrial Development Agency

Since 1971, the mission of the Brookhaven Industrial Development Agency has been to promote the economic welfare and prosperity of the town of Brookhaven by assisting the acquisition, construction, reconstruction, and equipping of commercial and industrial facilities. The IDA has issued millions of dollars in tax-exempt or taxable bonds on behalf of more than 50 companies encouraging them to either locate or expand in the Town of Brookhaven. This assistance has been extended to companies both large and small, and has resulted in the direct creation of thousands of jobs for Brookhaven residents. The IDA has provided assistance to a wide range of companies, including Quality King, BASF Beauty Care Products, Suffolk Transportation Service, Intercounty Appliance, Caithness Energy, United Baking (Uncle Wally's), FramERICA, and Motorola (Symbol Technologies).

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