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Date: April 26, 2021

To: FOIL Officer,

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New York Freedom of Information Law (FOIL): N.Y. Pub. Off. Law, secs 84-90
PUBLIC OFFICERS LAW, ARTICLE 6

I am requesting, under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIL), the following records: documents on:
DOCUMENTS OF COMPLETE COST OF NEW ANIMAL SHELTER, CENTRAL ISLIP. DOCUMENTS TO
INCLUDE COSTS AND WHERE FINANCIAL RESOURCES WERE ACQUIRED FROM.

Electronic form

Regarding fees: (Check one.)

☒ I am willing to pay applicable fees for processing my FOIL request. (Check applicable fee category; see Reference Guide for help.)

- ☐ Commercial use
☐ Educational use
☐ Non-commercial scientific institution
☐ News media
☒ Other (private use)

Submitted by:

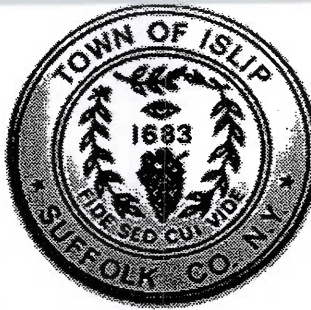
Patricia Montanino

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28 Campbell Lane
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Town Clerk

Date Stamp Here



Animals shelter
Town of Islip

**FREEDOM OF INFORMATION LAW (F.O.I.L.)
APPLICATION FOR ACCESS TO PUBLIC RECORDS**

Instructions: Complete Section 1 and submit to Office of Town Clerk, 655 Main Street, Islip, NY 11751 (f) 631-224-5574

PRINT TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

SECTION 1 - TO BE COMPLETED BY APPLICANT

I HEREBY APPLY TO REVIEW OR HAVE COPIED THE RECORD(S) DESCRIBED BELOW:

Name of Applicant:	Mailing Address of Applicant (include suite if applicable):		
Name of Business or Firm:	City:	State:	Zip Code:
Signature of Applicant:	Date of Application:		
Telephone Number:	Department if known:		

DESCRIPTION OF RECORD SOUGHT TO INSPECT AND ANY SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS. Please describe the record(s) sought in as specific detail as possible, with address, date or time frame, if applicable. If we cannot determine what record(s) you seek, your application will be denied. Under the NYS FOIL Law, the Town of Islip is only required to supply **DOCUMENTS THAT ALREADY EXIST** (NYS POL Article 6).

- See attached -

FEE SCHEDULE

Be advised that there is a statutory fee due (\$.25 per page, not in excess of 9x14) for copies. For anything else, including digital formats, cost of reproduction will be charged. Deposits may be required for voluminous requests. Copy fees are to be paid for any pages required to be redacted prior to viewing a file. FOIL requests will not be processed for any person or company who fails to pay any outstanding FOIL fees due for a prior FOIL request. Copies will be prepared unless specifically requested otherwise.

SECTION 2 - TO BE COMPLETED BY AGENCY RECORDS ACCESS (FOIL) OFFICER

Receipt of this request is hereby acknowledged. Please allow Twenty (20) business days for processing before contacting this office. A copy of this form is being mailed to you indicating your request is being processed.

<u>4/28/21</u>	<u><i>Len J. Salan</i></u>	<u>M 42198</u>
Date	Records Access Officer	Application Number

Office of the Town Attorney, 655 Main Street, Islip, NY 11751 (631) 224-5550

Please note: The Public Officer's Law requires a municipality to acknowledge receipt of this FOIL request within five (5) business days.

Application Number: M42198

FOR AGENCY USE ONLY BELOW
SECTION 3 – NOTICE TO APPLICANT

DEPOSIT REQUIRED

- ☐ Before we may continue processing your FOIL Application, a deposit in the amount of \$_____ is required within thirty (30) days of this response. Please forward a check payable to the "Town of Islip" in the deposit amount to the attention of the Records Access Officer, Office of the Town Attorney, 655 Main Street, Islip, New York 11751. For questions, please call (631) 224-5550. If we do not receive your deposit within thirty (30) days of this response, your FOIL will be deemed closed.

RECORDS PROVIDED

- ☐ The records have been fully provided. ☐ The records have been partially provided or redacted.
- ☐ The document(s) you requested are available. The cost of reproduction is \$_____. Please bring your cash, check or money order payable to the "Town of Islip" and submit to the Town of Islip-Town Clerk's Office, 655 Main Street, Islip, NY 11751. **Upon arrival, please call (631) 224-5490 to advise you are picking up your documents.** If necessary, please contact the Records Access Officer at (631) 224-5550 to make other arrangements for the receipt of your documents if you are unable to pick them up in our Town Clerk's Office.
- ☐ Please call (631) 224-5550 to schedule an appointment to view the documents requested. If we are not contacted within thirty (30) days to schedule a viewing, your FOIL will be deemed closed.

RECORDS DENIED, PARTIALLY PROVIDED OR REDACTED

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| <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Request needs to be more specific because cannot determine what record(s) you seek</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Records not possessed by the Town of Islip</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> After a diligent search, there are no known documents that are responsive to your request</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> If a record exists, would be a law enforcement record. Please contact our Code Enforcement Department at (631) 224-5460 for more information.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Law Enforcement Records</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Are trade secrets or commercial enterprise documents which if disclosed, would cause injury to the competitive position of the subject enterprise</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Municipalities are only required to search for specific documents requested that are in existence</p> | <p><input type="checkbox"/> Complainant's name cannot be disclosed pursuant to the Public Officers Law Article 6A, Sec. 89-2(a)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Could endanger the life or safety of any person</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Municipalities are not required to respond to questions or inquiries, only to provide documents</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Unwarranted invasion of personal privacy</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Exempt inter-agency or intra-agency materials</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Would impair present or imminent contract awards or collective bargaining negotiations</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Exempted by statute other than the Freedom of Information Law</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Other examination or question not answered</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Other:</p> <p>Please file a new FOIL Application requesting a specific document or documents.</p> |
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Name of Records Access Officer:
X LORI J. HAHN

Records Access Officer Signature:
X LORI J. HAHN

Date:
X 5/27/21

This Freedom of Information Request will remain on file for six (6) months from the date of final determination. Thereafter, it will be destroyed.

You have the right to appeal a denial of this application in writing within thirty (30) days to Ernest J. Cannava, Senior Assistant Town Attorney, Islip Town Hall, 655 Main Street, Islip, New York 11751. You are entitled to an explanation of the reason for such denial in writing within ten (10) business days of the appeal.

I hereby appeal: _____
Signature Date

- 1) **2017-Islip Town Board approved a \$4.6 million bond in late 2017 to build a new 19,000-square-foot shelter**
- 2) October 28, 2019- Town officials broke ground on plans **for the 17,000-square-foot shelter**
- 3) **July 14th, 2020-** construction of the **nearly 18,000sf state-of-the-art air conditioned facility**
Funding assistance for **the \$9m shelter** was made available through SAM grants secured by Senators Phil Boyle, (\$500,000), Tom Croci (\$50,000) and \$498,200 through New York State Department of Agriculture & Markets.

500,000. 4.6 million

50,000. +1,048,200

498,200 does not = 9.1 million!

1,048,200

- 4) July 16, 2020 - the construction of the nearly **18,000 square-foot facility** on Carleton Avenue has been considered essential throughout the pandemic and should be open by early 2021.
- 5) July 22, 2020- **The town is building a new \$9.1 million animal shelter** the **new 14,500-square-foot shelter**

Board divided over \$5.5M animal shelter bond

Islip Town board members are divided over funding a new multimillion-dollar home for the Islip Animal Shelter, with the possibility ...

Sophia Chang in Suffolk
Thu May 18 2017

voted down for 5.5 M !



OVER 4 MILLION UNACCOUNTED FOR +!!!

Animal care center proposed in West Islip (HOME TOWN TO ISLIP TOWN SUPERVISOR)

Applicant looks to convert veterinarian office with apartments

A portion of the site at 467 Higbie Lane in West Islip. The on-site house and barn may be converted and expanded by the Veterinary Medical Center of Long Island.

IB/NALEPINSKI

Posted Thursday, March 4, 2021 9:00 am

Kate Nalepinski

Veterinary Medical Center of Long Island, the 24-hour specialty and emergency care clinic in West Islip, is looking to expand to a nearby former veterinarian's office.

Attorney Lisa Pace, representing applicant VMC LI co-owner Robert Composto, came before the Islip Town Planning Board Feb. 24 for a public hearing on a proposed application. (relative TO ISLIP TOWN ATTORNEY DICICCIO)

The application under review by the Islip Town Planning Board proposes a **change of zone** for an overlay of planned landmark preservation district designation and a special permit. If approved, the plan would preserve a two-story house and barn located at 467 Higbie Lane in West Islip and both structures would be repurposed as a multi-family building and animal care center, respectively.

The plan would also increase the size of the house from 1,310 square feet to 4,200 square feet to create eight apartment units. At approximately 150 square feet each, the apartments would be primarily occupied by veterinary interns associated with VMC LI, Pace said. The size of the barn would be increased by 1,169 square feet and would include a second floor if the plan is approved.

The house was previously owned and operated by veterinarian William Herbold of West Islip. Pace said that when he died in 2019, William's wife, Diane, began speaking with Composto about the sale of the property.

"We thought this could be the perfect way to preserve the historic use of a veterinary hospital from Dr. Herbold and also preserve the historic use of a groomer," Pace said.

**ISLIP TOWN BOARD IS THE
CHANGE OF ZONE COMMITTEE**

On the opposite side of the property is the barn, which is home to Sharon's Ark Kennel, a pet grooming service and kennel which has been in service for over 60 years.

The buildings may have been constructed in the 1850s, senior planner Sean Colgan said at the meeting. The house is one of the only pre-Civil War structures remaining in West Islip, and the original windows and style are typical of the 1850s. The house previously served as a dairy farm in the early 1900s.

While the property is not in a historic registry, Pace said, the applicant is looking to maintain the historic integrity of it. The proposal aims to maintain these buildings unless they are unsafe.

A representative with CarmelHill Architects stated during the meeting that both buildings are in poor shape, especially the barn, and require "significant work" to make sure the buildings are structurally stable.

John Davis, president of Willets Point Association of West Islip, spoke during the public hearing portion of the meeting and stated that the site would attract "transient" people from outside the area.

In general, he said, the community is opposed to construction of "any apartment complexes, large or small, in West Islip." Davis noted that the recent West Islip School District bond on the proposed Masera property, which would have created senior apartment units in the hamlet, overwhelmingly failed earlier this year.

Community member Dennis Pope said he also opposes construction of the apartments. He said the shift from business one district to planned landmark preservation district is intentional so that planners can skip the regulations about apartment complexes.

"It seems like they're going to make this a landmark, and then destroy the landmark by doubling its size and basically rebuilding it," Pope said.

Under town law, the intent of the planned landmark preservation district is to "protect, enhance, perpetuate and use buildings and structures, having a special character or a historic interest or value."