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Update:

2024 Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) Grant Application

West Webster Hamlet Revitalization

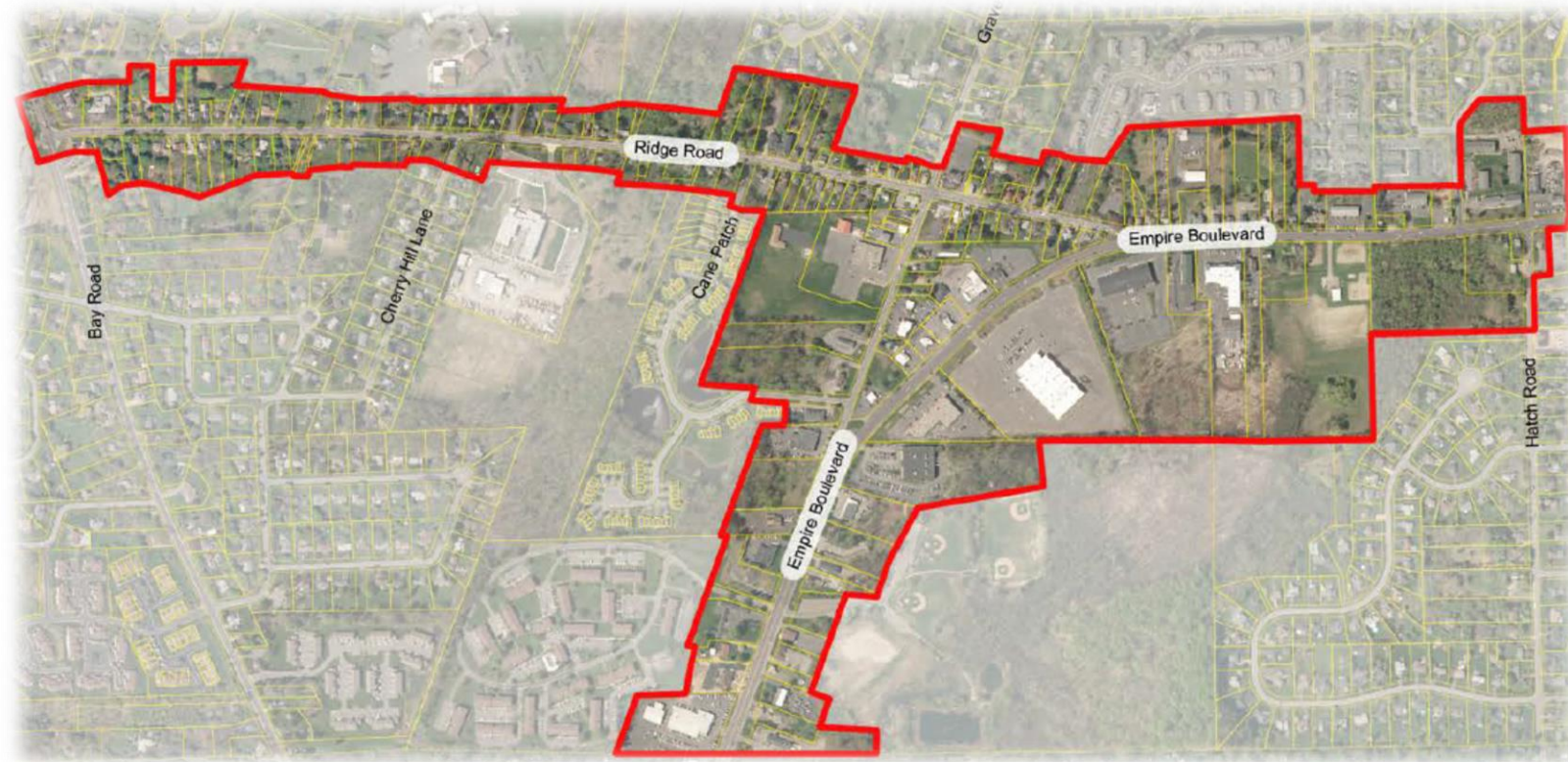


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West Webster Hamlet Revitalization Study Area Map

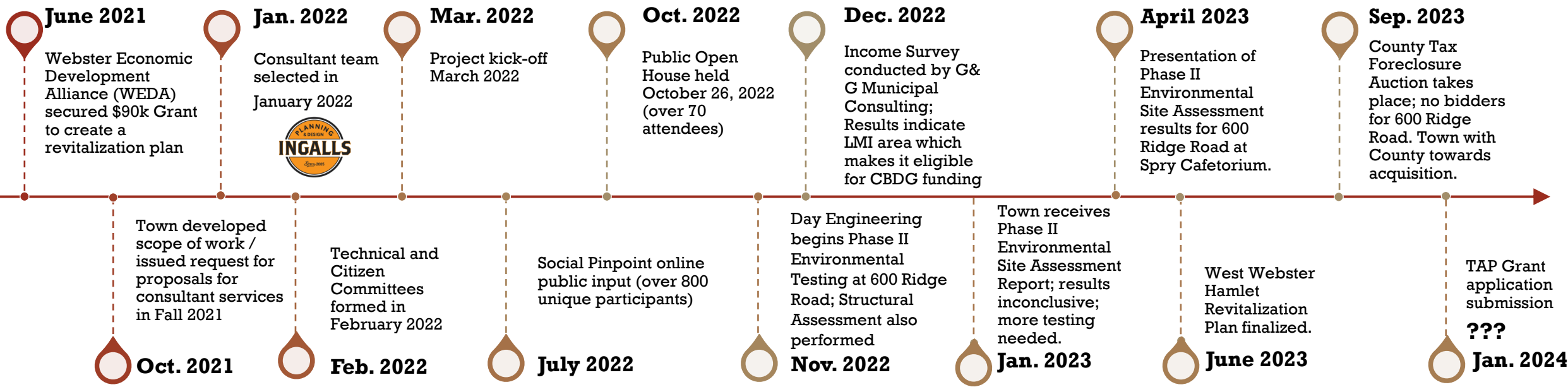


PRESENTATION OVERVIEW:

- Review of revitalization efforts to date & priority plan recommendations
- TAP Grant Program Intent and Eligibility
- Proposed Streetscape Improvement Project Scope of Work & Cost Estimates
- Next Steps / Q & A / Board Discussion



WEST WEBSTER HAMLET REVITALIZATION EFFORTS:



2024 TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES PROGRAM (TAP) GRANT

- Funding to support bicycle, pedestrian, multi-use path and transportation-related projects that increase options for non-vehicular transportation.
- \$103M available Statewide – program is highly competitive
- Max request is 80% of project, up to \$5M
- Local match minimum of 20%
- Funds cover planning, design/engineering services, right-of-way acquisition, construction, and construction inspection
- Town awarded \$1.45M TAP Grant in 2017 for Ridge Road Sidewalks
- Village awarded \$811K TAP Grant in 2014 for North Avenue



2024 TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES PROGRAM (TAP) GRANT

- September 29, 2023: Program Launch
- Friday January 9, 2024: Final Application Due
- June 2024: Anticipated Award Notification
- Q4 2024: Anticipated Contract w/NYSDOT
- Q4 2024: Consultant Selection Process
- 2025-Q2 2026: Federal Aid Design Process
- Late 2026: Final Approvals and Bidding
- 2027: Construction

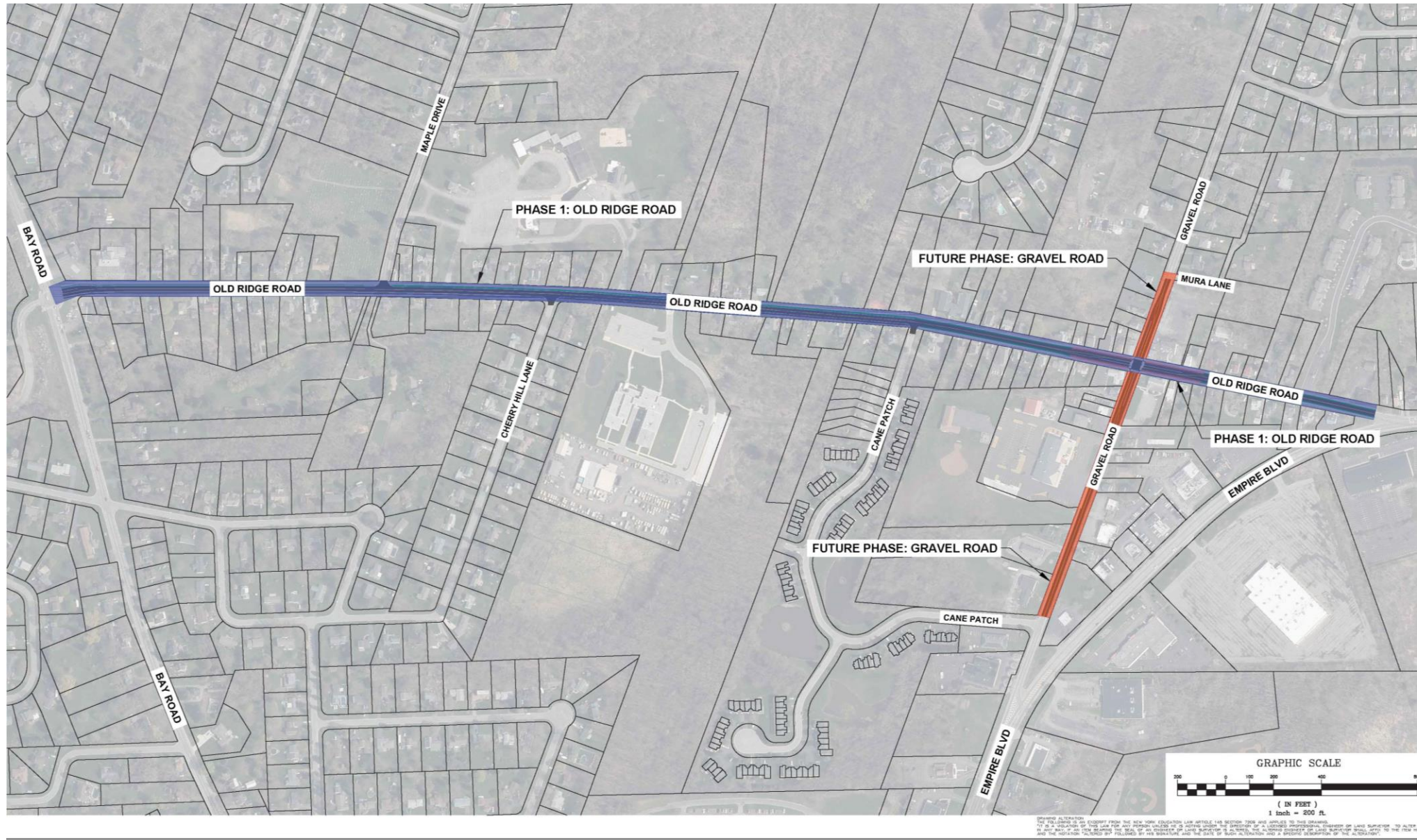


2024 TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES PROGRAM (TAP) GRANT WHY NOW?

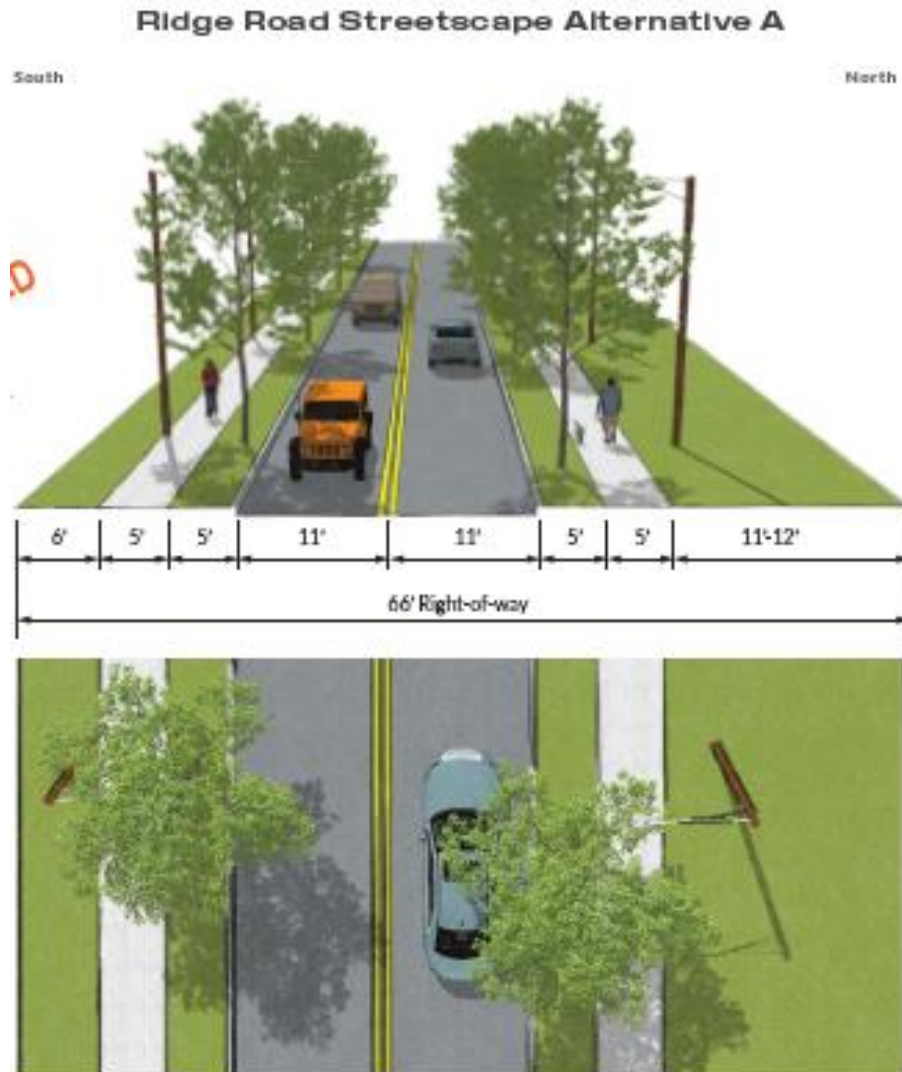
- Sustained Momentum from Hamlet Master Planning Project
- Broad Public Support for Enhancements to 'Old' Ridge Road
- Private Sector is looking to Public Sector for revitalization commitment
- TAP Funds are awarded on a 3-year cycle
- Generally, a 3-4 Year Lag between Grant Application & Construction



PROPOSED PHASE I STREET SCAPE IMPROVEMENTS:



PREFERRED STREETSCAPE IMPROVEMENTS FROM PLAN:



The Preferred Alternative included the following components along Ridge Rd. from Empire to Bay:

- Granite curbing
- 5' Tree lawn with street trees on both sides of street
- Sidewalks on both sides of street
- Overhead utilities relocated underground
- Mid-block pedestrian crosswalks
- Pedestrian signals at signalized intersections
- Pedestrian scaled street lighting every 50' on both sides of the street

Figure 23: Ridge Road Streetscape Alternative A - Preferred
Source: Ingalls Planning & Design



PROPOSED PHASE I STREETScape IMPROVEMENTS:

OLD RIDGE ROAD BETWEEN GRAVEL ROAD AND EMPIRE BOULEVARD (LOOKING WEST)



PROPOSED PHASE I STREETScape IMPROVEMENTS:

OLD RIDGE ROAD BETWEEN CANE PATCH AND BAY ROAD (LOOKING WEST)



STREET SCAPE IMPROVEMENTS COST ESTIMATE (PHASE 1):

- Initial Cost Estimate of Preferred Alternative called for in Plan was significant.
- Scope was scaled back several times to reduce cost, while still providing an impactful project that enhances the urban form of the Hamlet while improving pedestrian connectivity and safety, meeting the intent of the TAP.

Proposed Phase I Scope includes:

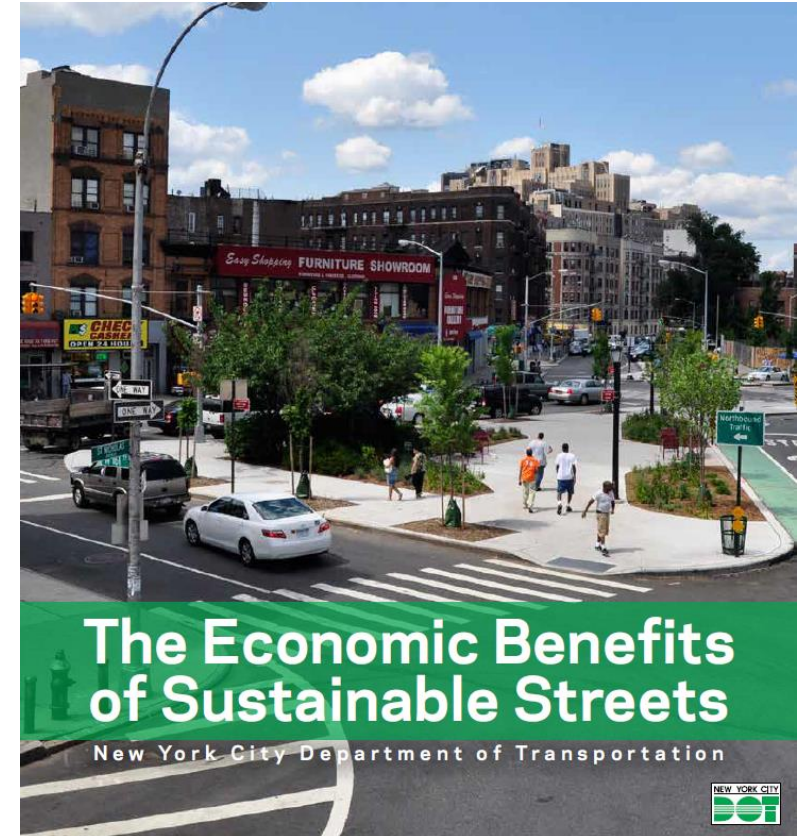
- Sidewalks (both sides of street from Empire to Cane Patch)
- Curbing and decorative concrete treatments near intersection only
- Street lighting every 75' (alternating sides)
- Tree lawn with street trees
- Underground relocation of overhead utility wires near Gravel Rd. intersection only

Phase I includes Old Ridge Road from Empire Boulevard to Bay Road

Project Components	Cost
Site Demolition:	\$387,667
Utilities:	\$774,000
Roadway:	\$423,037
Concrete:	\$835,325
General Site:	\$718,600
Construction Subtotal	\$3,138,355
Construction Cost Escalation (8% over 2 years):	\$251,090
Contingency (12%):	\$376,635
Total Construction Phase I:	\$3,766,355
Design/Engineering/Soft Costs	\$1,318,224
Estimated Project Total:	\$5,084,579

RELEVANT CASE STUDIES: PUBLIC REALM IMPROVEMENT IMPACTS ON PRIVATE SECTOR INVESTMENT:

- **NYC DOT: Economic Benefits of Sustainable Streets (2014)**
 - Street enhancements quantified a 10-32% increase in sales taxes generated from 2006 to 2010 for study corridors.
- **Minnesota DOT: Assessing Economic Benefits of Complete Streets (2023)**
 - On average, gross sales & property taxes per capita increased



POTENTIAL FUNDING SOURCES FOR 20% LOCAL MATCH:

- 2025-2027 Town Budgets.
- Use of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funds.
- Community Development Block Grants.
- Potential additional grant awards from other sources.
- Private Contributions.
- General Town-wide Fund Balance.
- Capital Project Bonding.





NEXT STEPS

- Planning Study Implementation:

- Formally Adopt Revitalization Plan
- Pursue recommended zoning changes
- Increased Code Enforcement

- 600 Ridge Road:

- Transfer of Ownership to Town of Webster
- Empty / Secure Structure
- Complete Environmental Investigations

- TAP Grant:

- Submit Grant Application by 1/09/24 ?



Present Day:



Future Vision:



QUESTIONS?

- To stay informed on West Webster Hamlet Revitalization progress, visit:

<https://www.websterny.gov/611/West-Webster-Hamlet>

