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## **TOWN OF WEBSTER RENEWS CALL FOR POTENTIAL PARTNERSHIP IN REHABILITATION OF FORMER WEBSTER FURNITURE STRIPPERS BUILDING**

*600 Ridge Road critical to West Webster Hamlet revitalization efforts;  
Webster proactively planning for progression of project*

**Webster, NY** – As spring approaches, the Town of Webster is renewing calls for partners in the redevelopment and/or rehabilitation of 600 Ridge Road, formerly the Webster Furniture Strippers building. The Town initially called for potential partners in this public/private endeavor in late October 2024. The initial call for interest generated several proposal submissions, but ultimately did not result in a viable project.

Qualified and serious applicants with a track record of successful rehabilitation projects may submit a letter of interest to [planning-zoning@websterny.gov](mailto:planning-zoning@websterny.gov) no later than March 14, 2025. Applicants must be ready to discuss their development experience and provide proof of their capacity to conduct, manage, and finance the rehabilitation of the property.

Based upon the review of submissions, the Department of Community Development will select those respondents deemed to have sufficient relevant experience and ability to undertake such a project. Trespassing on the property is strictly prohibited.

*"As the Town awaits the results of its most recent Restore NY grant application, we are exploring several different options and are preparing for a variety of outcomes," said **Josh Artuso**, Webster Director of Community Development. "While we hope to identify a suitable redevelopment partner, the Town is prepared for potential demolition of the structure. Eliminating the blighting influence is a critical component of any revitalization strategy and is the key to attracting additional investments in the West Webster Hamlet area."*

600 Ridge Road is at the heart of the West Webster Hamlet at the intersection of Ridge Road and Gravel Road. Its location and presence in four corners of the hamlet make this property essential to the goal of economic revitalization of the area. The Town of Webster officially took ownership of the property in March 2024 after it had been vacant for over fifteen years.

More information on the [West Webster Hamlet Revitalization Project](#) is available on the Town's website.

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