

**The Town of Highland
Sullivan County NY
PO Box 138 Eldred NY 12732**

To: Project Developers, Residents, and Businesses
From: Town of Highland Planning Board
Subject: Placement on Planning Board Agendas

All planning board meetings are held on the fourth Wednesday of each month beginning at 7:00pm. The meetings are held at 4 Proctor Road, Eldred NY 12732.

In order to appear at a scheduled meeting of the Town of Highland Planning Board, ALL of the following information must be on file in the Planning Board Office no later than 10 business days by 5pm prior to the date of the meeting:

1. A written request, no verbal request will be accepted, in order to be placed on the agenda for all projects and all subsequent planning board meetings (including those in which the board requests project return at the next scheduled meeting)
2. Completed site plan and / or sub-divisions and / or special use permit / site plan review application (depending upon project) submitted.
3. Sub-division (survey) map / or site plan map requiring a minimum of 10' contour intervals. Overall, of the plan and technical drawings prepared by a licensed engineer.
4. Environmental Assessment Form (part 1) SEQR submitted.
5. **10 packets** must be put together with one each of #'s: 2, 3, and 4 clipped together. The packets are to be submitted to the planning board secretary **10 business days** before the scheduled meeting.
6. For all sub-divisions approvals and special use permits / site plan review, a public hearing is usually required. Legal notices must be mailed Certified / Return Receipt Requested, to all adjoining property owners located within 500 feet of property line. The planning board secretary will prepare a list of property owners and all other documents for the mailings. The cost of the mailings is the applicant's responsibility, along with a processing fee of \$20.00. The secretary will notify the applicant on the cost of the mailings which are based on the current amount charged by the Post Office.

Application Fees

Special Use Permit or Site Plan Application-Code 190-73	\$150.00
Minor- Subdivision (4 or fewer lots on an existing road)	\$100.00 plus \$50.00 per lot
Major Sub-division (over 4 lots)	\$300.00 plus \$50.00 per lot
Lot Improvement	\$50.00 per lot
Mailings	\$20.00 processing plus USPS cost per required parcel(s)
Plus, any legal, engineering, postage or consultant costs	

Any property owner, owner & agent, architect or contractor found to have started to construct, reconstruct, erect or restore structurally alter without the proper building permit and all necessary documents as is required by the Town of Highland Zoning Ordinance and the New York State Title 19, Section 444 may be required to pay double all prescribed fees as set above.

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Site Plan Review Checklist

- Site Location Map
- Date
- North Arrow
- Boundary Line
- Soil and groundwater tests (Perc if applicable)
- Map of entire holdings on tract if proposed development is only part of applicant's holdings
- Street layout with names & widths of existing proposed streets
- Street grades
- Street elevations
- Site distances
- Street access to adjoining properties
- Sidewalks
- Location of parking areas
- Storm sewers, catch basins, and culverts
- Signage
- Fire hydrants
- Walkway or other easements
- Right of way widths
- Proposed Park/playground/open space (ownership & maintenance)
- Topography (contour intervals)
- Dimension & area of lot
- Dimension & bearing of angles of all property
- Location and size of existing utilities
- Location & size of rock outcrop, streams, special vegetative growth, and other significant natural and manmade features
- Erosion control plan
- Street trees
- Street lighting standards
- Water lines
- Sanitary sewer system
- Proposed restrictive requirements
- Location of any town lines, sewer/water district lines, special district boundaries, etc.
- Building separation distances

**TOWN OF HIGHLAND PLANNING BOARD
SPECIAL USE PERMIT
PROCESSING AND PROTOCOL**

1. Applicant confers with Code Enforcement Officer (845) 557-8203 to determine whether application goes before the Planning Board of the Zoning Board of Appeals for variance(s).
2. Sketch plan stage and Pre-submission conference:
If it is determined that the application properly is within the jurisdiction of the Planning Board, the applicant shall submit a sketch plan to the Planning Board for review and clarification of any necessary items or information which the planning board may require.
3. Preliminary Stage:
 - Applicant must submit 10 sets of preliminary plans, Application, and any other descriptive matter necessary to clearly portray intentions of the owner. Plans should show location of all buildings, parking, traffic access, and circulation drives, open spaces, landscaping, all existing structures and usages within 200 feet of the site boundaries, and any other information necessary to determine if the proposed special use meets the requirements of the ordinance.
 - The cost for all consultants shall be borne by the applicant and may be required to deposit money in an escrow account for ultimate payment of these additional expenses incurred by the town.
 - The certified mailings for the public hearing shall be sent by the Town at the applicant's expense, to all contiguous property owners and to all property owners within 500 feet of the subject property at least (10) days prior to the scheduled Public Hearing.
 - Planning Board makes "Lead Agency" SEQR determination.
 - The Site Development Plan and any related information shall be submitted to the Code Enforcement Office in triplicate at least (15) days prior to the planning board meeting at which approval is requested. If not submitted within this (6) month period, another pre-submission conference shall be required.
4. Submission of Site Plan and supporting data:
 - The owner shall submit an acceptable site plan (to be rendered by a professional architect, licensed engineer or licensed surveyor) and supporting data to the planning board (10) days prior to the monthly meeting. The following information presented in drawn form and accompanied by written text shall be included:
 1. Survey of property showing existing features, including contours, large trees, watercourses, significant natural and man-made features, buildings, structures, streets, utility easements, right-of-way, land use, and property ownership.
 2. Site plan, drawn to scale showing proposed lots, blocks, building locations, utility access, and other easements, streets, right-of-way, and land use areas.
 3. Traffic circulation, parking and loading spaces, and other pedestrian walks.
 4. Landscaping plans to include grading, landscape design, open spaces and parks.

5. Preliminary architectural drawings to be constructed including floor plans, exterior elevations and sections.
6. Preliminary architectural drawing for buildings to be constructed including floor plans, exterior elevations and sections.
7. Engineering feasibility study of any anticipated problem which may arise due to proposed development as may be required by the Planning Board.
8. Description of proposed uses including hours of operation, and expected number of employees, volume of business and volume of traffic generated. A management plan to include names and telephone numbers for garbage removal, snow removal/plowing, lawn maintenance, and a description of lighting, noise, and parking.
9. New projects may require a review by emergency services such as fire officials at the planning boards sole discretion.

5. Scheduling of Public Hearing:

- A public hearing shall be scheduled by the planning board within sixty-two (62) days of completion of submission of the Special Use Application and Sketch Plan. However, the public hearing is generally scheduled at the regular meeting of the planning board
- Contiguous and nearby property owners must receive a mailing of the public hearing notice. The mailings in regards to the scheduled public hearing shall be made by the town at the applicant's expense. Please see page (1) #6 for the processing procedure to be followed.

6. Public Hearing

- Chair accepts a motion to open a public hearing in the matter of the applicant for Special Use Permit / Site Plan Review.
 1. Secretary reads the public notice
 2. Secretary will submit the number of mailings and the return number of said mailings.
 3. Any correspondence received will be read into record
 4. Presentation by the applicant
 5. Public comments
 6. Comments from the planning board members
 7. Concluding remarks from the applicant
 8. Remarks of the planning board members
 9. Close the public hearing

7. Determination and Filing.

- A determination shall be made within sixty-two (62) days of close of the Public Hearing on a completed application
- A final SEQR determination is made by the planning board
- Secretary files a RESOLUTION with the Town Clerk within five (5) business days of the adoption of the RESOLUTION and a copy of the RESOLUTION shall be mailed to the Owner, Code Enforcement Officer, and the Assessor's Office.

Expiration: Unless construction is commenced and diligently pursued within 12 months of the date granting a special use permit, such permit shall expire and become null and void.

For additional information, contact:

planningboardzba@townofhighlandny.com

845-557-8203

**TOWN OF HIGHLAND PLANNING BOARD
LOT-IMPROVEMENT/SUB-DIVISION APPLICATIONS
PROCESSING AND PROTOCOL**

1. The applicant must contact the Code Enforcement Office to determine whether applicant needs to go before the Zoning Board of Appeals for a variance(s) before they come to the Planning Board
2. Submission of Sketch Plan:
 - Any owner of land shall, prior to lot-line improvement must submit to the Planning Board at least ten (10) business days prior to the regular meeting of the board ten (10) copies of a Sketch Plan of the proposed lot-line improvement, which shall comply with the requirements of Section 160 of the Town of Highland Sub-division Law. (This law can be obtained from the town clerk or on our website townofhighlandny.com) for the purposes of clarification and preliminary discussion.
 - The applicant, or his duly authorized representative, shall attend the meeting of the Planning Board to discuss the requirements of these regulations for street improvements, drainage, sewage, water supply, fire protection and similar aspects, as well as the availability of existing services and other impertinent information.
 - Review clarification of the Sketch Plan is to made at this time by the Planning Board for determination as to whether it is a lot-line improvement, minor sub-division, or major sub-division.
 1. If the Sketch Plan is classified as a Lot Improvement (boundary line adjustment) the applicant shall comply with 160-11 of the Town of Highland Code.
 2. If the Sketch Plan is classified as a Minor Sub-division, the sub divider shall then comply with the procedures outlined in 160-12 of the Town of Highland Code.
 3. If it is classified as a Major Sub-division, the sub divider shall then comply with the procedures outlined in 160-13 of the Town of Highland Code.
 - SEQR "Lead Agency" Determination by the Planning Board.
3. Filing of Sub-division Application:
 - The Sub-division Plat shall conform to the layout of the Sketch Plan plus any recommendations or additional requirements made by the Planning Board. At the next regular meeting of the Planning Board, six (6) copies and a Mylar of the Sub-division Plat shall be submitted to the Planning Board accompanied by a fee set as follows:
 1. For a Lot Improvement, a fee of \$50.00 per lot will be collected by the Planning Board.
 2. For a Minor sub-division, creating 4 or fewer lots on an existing road, a fee of \$100.00 plus \$50.00 for each lot will be collected by the Planning Board.
 3. For a Major sub-division, creating over 4 lots, a fee of \$300.00 plus \$50.00 for each lot will be collected by the Planning Board
 4. Checks are to made payable to the Town of Highland Planning Board

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- The sub-division plat shall be filed in the Sullivan County Clerk's Office within sixty-two (62) days by the applicant. Failure to comply with this provision will invalidate the sub-division approval.
- Proof of the filing of the sub-division plat shall be furnished to the Chairman of the Planning Board within ten (10) days of the filing and upon receipt thereof, the process is completed. The closed file shall be kept on record in the office of the Planning Board, Town Hall, Eldred, New York.

TOWN OF HIGHLAND APPLICATION

- FOR SITE PLAN APPROVAL
- FOR SPECIAL USE PERMIT

Name of proposed development: _____

Applicant:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Owner:(if different from applicant. If more than one owner, please provide information for each).

Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Ownership intentions: (i.e., purchase options, _____

Location of Site: _____

Tax Map description: Section _____ Block _____ Lot _____

Current zoning classification: _____

Local, County, State, & Federal permits needed: (please list type of permit and appropriate agency or department).

Proposed use(s) of site:

Total site area: (square feet of acres) _____

Anticipated construction time:

Will development be staged? _____

Current condition of site: (buildings, brush, etc.)

Estimated cost of proposed improvement(s):

Anticipated increase in number of residents, visitors, shoppers, employees, etc.: (if applicable)

Describe proposed use(s), including primary and secondary uses: ground floor area, height, and number of stories for each building:

_____ for residential buildings, include number of dwelling units by size (efficiency, one bedroom, two or more bedrooms, etc.) and number of parking spaces to be provided.

_____ for non-residential buildings, include total floor area and total sales area, number of automobile and truck parking spaces.

_____ other proposed structures

(Please use separate sheet(s) if needed):

The undersigned hereby requests approval by the Planning Board.

Signature: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____

If the above signature is not that of the property owner, signature of said owner is required.

Signature _____

Title _____

Date _____

Sworn to before me this _____ day of _____ 20

Notary Public fee received on _____ 20

TOWN OF HIGHLAND APPLICATION
FOR REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF
LOT IMPROVEMENT / SUB-DIVISION

Name or Identify Title: _____

Property owner: (if so, so state: if agent or other type of relationship state details on separate sheet)

Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Licensed Land Surveyor:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Location of Proposed Lot Improvement / Sub-division (Tax lot or other identification) _____

Location of zone: _____

Easements or other Restrictions on Property; (describe generally)

Requested Exceptions: The Planning Board is hereby requested to authorize the following exceptions to or waivers of its regulations governing Lot Improvement / Sub-division. (Attached list of such exceptions with the reason for each exception set forth).

The undersigned hereby request approval by the Planning Board of the previous identified Lot Improvement / Sub-division.

Signature _____

Title _____

Date _____

If the above signature is not that of the Lot Improvement / Sub-division owner, signature of said owner is required.

Signature _____

Title _____

Date _____

Sworn to before me this _____ day of _____ 20_____

Notary Public fee received on _____ 20_____

Short Environmental Assessment Form

Part 1 - Project Information

Instructions for Completing

Part 1 – Project Information. The applicant or project sponsor is responsible for the completion of Part 1. Responses become part of the application for approval or funding, are subject to public review, and may be subject to further verification. Complete Part 1 based on information currently available. If additional research or investigation would be needed to fully respond to any item, please answer as thoroughly as possible based on current information.

Complete all items in Part 1. You may also provide any additional information which you believe will be needed by or useful to the lead agency; attach additional pages as necessary to supplement any item.

Part 1 – Project and Sponsor Information			
Name of Action or Project:			
Project Location (describe, and attach a location map):			
Brief Description of Proposed Action:			
Name of Applicant or Sponsor:		Telephone:	
		E-Mail:	
Address:			
City/PO:		State:	Zip Code:
1. Does the proposed action only involve the legislative adoption of a plan, local law, ordinance, administrative rule, or regulation? If Yes, attach a narrative description of the intent of the proposed action and the environmental resources that may be affected in the municipality and proceed to Part 2. If no, continue to question 2.		NO <input type="checkbox"/>	YES <input type="checkbox"/>
2. Does the proposed action require a permit, approval or funding from any other government Agency? If Yes, list agency(s) name and permit or approval:		NO <input type="checkbox"/>	YES <input type="checkbox"/>
3. a. Total acreage of the site of the proposed action? _____ acres			
b. Total acreage to be physically disturbed? _____ acres			
c. Total acreage (project site and any contiguous properties) owned or controlled by the applicant or project sponsor? _____ acres			
4. Check all land uses that occur on, are adjoining or near the proposed action:			
<input type="checkbox"/> Urban <input type="checkbox"/> Rural (non-agriculture) <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Residential (suburban)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Forest <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture <input type="checkbox"/> Aquatic <input type="checkbox"/> Other(Specify):			
<input type="checkbox"/> Parkland			

5. Is the proposed action, a. A permitted use under the zoning regulations? b. Consistent with the adopted comprehensive plan?	NO	YES	N/A
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. Is the proposed action consistent with the predominant character of the existing built or natural landscape?	NO	YES	
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
7. Is the site of the proposed action located in, or does it adjoin, a state listed Critical Environmental Area? If Yes, identify: _____	NO	YES	
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
8. a. Will the proposed action result in a substantial increase in traffic above present levels? b. Are public transportation services available at or near the site of the proposed action? c. Are any pedestrian accommodations or bicycle routes available on or near the site of the proposed action?	NO	YES	
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
9. Does the proposed action meet or exceed the state energy code requirements? If the proposed action will exceed requirements, describe design features and technologies: _____ _____	NO	YES	
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
10. Will the proposed action connect to an existing public/private water supply? If No, describe method for providing potable water: _____ _____	NO	YES	
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
11. Will the proposed action connect to existing wastewater utilities? If No, describe method for providing wastewater treatment: _____ _____	NO	YES	
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
12. a. Does the project site contain, or is it substantially contiguous to, a building, archaeological site, or district which is listed on the National or State Register of Historic Places, or that has been determined by the Commissioner of the NYS Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation to be eligible for listing on the State Register of Historic Places? b. Is the project site, or any portion of it, located in or adjacent to an area designated as sensitive for archaeological sites on the NY State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) archaeological site inventory?	NO	YES	
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
13. a. Does any portion of the site of the proposed action, or lands adjoining the proposed action, contain wetlands or other waterbodies regulated by a federal, state or local agency? b. Would the proposed action physically alter, or encroach into, any existing wetland or waterbody? If Yes, identify the wetland or waterbody and extent of alterations in square feet or acres: _____ _____ _____	NO	YES	
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

14. Identify the typical habitat types that occur on, or are likely to be found on the project site. Check all that apply: <input type="checkbox"/> Shoreline <input type="checkbox"/> Forest Agricultural/grasslands Early mid-successional <input type="checkbox"/> Wetland <input type="checkbox"/> Urban Suburban		
15. Does the site of the proposed action contain any species of animal, or associated habitats, listed by the State or Federal government as threatened or endangered?	NO	YES
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
16. Is the project site located in the 100-year flood plan?	NO	YES
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
17. Will the proposed action create storm water discharge, either from point or non-point sources? If Yes, a. Will storm water discharges flow to adjacent properties? b. Will storm water discharges be directed to established conveyance systems (runoff and storm drains)? If Yes, briefly describe: _____ _____	NO	YES
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
18. Does the proposed action include construction or other activities that would result in the impoundment of water or other liquids (e.g., retention pond, waste lagoon, dam)? If Yes, explain the purpose and size of the impoundment: _____ _____	NO	YES
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
49. Has the site of the proposed action or an adjoining property been the location of an active or closed solid waste management facility? If Yes, describe: _____ _____	NO	YES
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
20. Has the site of the proposed action or an adjoining property been the subject of remediation (ongoing or completed) for hazardous waste? If Yes, describe: _____ _____	NO	YES
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
I CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION PROVIDED ABOVE IS TRUE AND ACCURATE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE Applicant/sponsor/name: _____ Date: _____ Signature: _____ Title: _____		