

Kenneth W. Jenkins County Executive

Department of Environmental Facilities

Vincent F. Kopicki, P.E. Commissioner

June 20, 2025

Westchester County Board of Legislators 800 Michaelian Office Building White Plains, New York 10601

Dear Honorable Members:

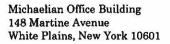
I have been advised by the Commissioner of Environmental Facilities that the Town of Mt. Pleasant (the "Town") has requested pursuant to the attached Resolution of the Town, that the Saw Mill Valley Sanitary Sewer District (the "District") be modified to remove one (1) parcel of property more particularly described by street address and tax map designation as 127 Palmer Lane, Section 107.13, Block 1, Lot 39 (the "Parcel") from the District, which Parcel is not currently connected to the County sewer system. This removal is being requested because the Parcel is not serviced by sanitary sewers and it is not anticipated that sanitary sewers will be constructed for this Parcel in the foreseeable future.

I am advised that the analysis prepared by the Department of Environmental Facilities in the attached feasibility report ("Feasibility Report") dated March 31, 2025 indicates that the proposed removal of the Parcel represents a net decrease of 0.0026% to the Equalized Full Value of the District. Therefore, the removal of the Parcel will not cause significant changes in the tax rate of the District.

According to the Department of Environmental Facilities, the proposal to remove the Parcel from the District is feasible because: (1) the proposed change was requested by the Town; (2) the subject change requires no engineering modifications to the District facilities and there is no impact on the County facilities because the Parcel was never connected to the sewerage system; (3) the subject change removes from ad valorem taxation a property that has not benefited and foreseeably will not benefit from connection to District facilities based on information received from the Town; (4) the subject change frees reserve capacity at the District treatment plant for future enlargement of the District from surrounding areas without the capital costs of expanding treatment facilities; (5) the subject Parcel, once removed from the District, will be required to petition the County to re-enter the District and the County is not obligated to reserve any capacity for the Parcel once it has been removed; and (6) the subject Parcel was reviewed by the Westchester County Health Department.

As your Honorable Board knows, the County Administrative Code section 237.131 authorizes the alteration or change of a County Sanitary Sewer District. However, the Board of Legislators (the "Board") may only alter or change a district after a public hearing is held thereon by the Board, upon notice thereof given by publication in such manner and for such time as the Board shall

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direct. Therefore, attached hereto is a Resolution which will authorize Legal Notice for the public hearing as required by the Administrative Code.

Based upon the foregoing, I respectfully recommend that your Board adopt a Resolution which will authorize Legal Notice for the public hearing as required by the Administrative Code in such matters. In addition, I urge your Board to file with the Clerk of the Board, the Feasibility Report which details the Parcel involved in the proposed change to the District boundaries, and, after the public hearing, adopt an Act which will accomplish the removal of the Parcel from the District.

Sincerely,

Kenneth W. Jenkins County Executive

KWJ/VK/mcz Attachments

## HONORABLE BOARD OF LEGISLATORS THE COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER

Your Committee is in receipt of a transmittal from the County Executive in which the County Executive states that the Commissioner of Environmental Facilities has advised him that the Town of Mt. Pleasant (the "Town") has requested, pursuant to the attached Resolution of the Town, that the Saw Mill Valley Sanitary Sewer District (the "District") be modified to remove one (1) parcel of property more particularly described by street address and tax map designation as 127 Palmer Lane, Section 107.13, Block 1, Lot 39 (the "Parcel") from the District, which Parcel is not currently connected to the County sewer system. This removal is being requested because the Parcel is not serviced by sanitary sewers and it is not anticipated that sanitary sewers will be constructed for this Parcel in the foreseeable future.

Your Committee is informed that the attached Feasibility Report prepared by the Department of Environmental Facilities ("Feasibility Report") dated March 31, 2025 indicates that the proposed removal of the Parcel represents a net decrease of 0.0026% to the Equalized Full Value of the District. Therefore, the removal of the Parcel will not cause significant changes in the tax rate of the District.

According to the Department of Environmental Facilities, the proposal to remove the Parcels is feasible because: (1) the proposed change was requested by the Town; (2) the subject change requires no engineering modifications to the District facilities and there is no impact on the County facilities because the Parcel was never connected to the sewerage system; (3) the subject change removes from ad valorem taxation a property that has not benefited and foreseeably will not benefit from connection to District facilities based on information received from the Town; (4) the subject change frees reserve capacity at the District treatment plant for future enlargement of the District from surrounding areas without the capital costs of expanding treatment facilities; (5) the subject Parcel, once removed from the District, will be required to petition the County to re-enter the District and the County is not obligated to reserve any capacity for the Parcel once it has been removed; and (6) the subject Parcel was reviewed by the Westchester County Health Department.

Your Committee notes that Chapter 237.131 of the County Administrative Code authorizes the Board of Legislators (the "Board") to alter or change the sewer districts. However, the Board may only alter or change the districts after a public hearing is held thereon by the Board, upon notice thereof given by publication in such manner and for such time as the Board shall direct. Therefore, attached hereto is a Resolution which will authorize Legal Notice for the public hearing as required by the Administrative Code.

Your Committee is advised that the removal of the Parcel would constitute an Unlisted Action under Article 8 of the Environmental Conservation Law, which requires an appropriate environmental review. Your Committee has carefully considered the proposed legislation. It has reviewed the attached Short Environmental Assessment Form (EAF) and the criteria contained in Section 617.7 of Title 6 of the New York State Code of Rules and Regulations, the SEQR regulations, to identify the relevant areas of environmental concern. For the reasons set forth in the attached EAF, your Committee believes that the proposed action will not have any significant adverse impact on the environment and urges your Honorable Board to adopt the annexed resolution by which this Board would issue a Negative Declaration for this proposed action.

Based on the above facts, the Feasibility Report prepared by the Department of Environmental Facilities and the review by the Planning Department, your Committee concurs with the recommendation of the County Executive and recommends your Honorable Board adopt the annexed Resolution which will authorize Legal Notice for the public hearing which is required by the Administrative Code in such matters, and, after such hearing, urges your Honorable Board to adopt the annexed Act which accomplishes the removal of said Parcel from the District. It should be noted that a vote of not less than a majority of the voting strength of the Board of Legislators is required to pass this Act.

Dated: , 2025 White Plains, New York

COMMITTEE ON

## **FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

SUBJECT: 127 Palmer La	ne, Saw Mill SSD, Mount Pleasant X NO FISCAL IMPACT PROJECTED
OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT To Be Completed by Submitting Department and Reviewed by Budget	
	SECTION A - FUND
GENERAL FUND	AIRPORT FUND X SPECIAL DISTRICTS FUND
	SECTION B - EXPENSES AND REVENUES
Total Current Year Expense \$ -	
Total Current Year Re	venue \$ -
Source of Funds (check one): X Current Appropriations Transfer of Existing Appropriations	
Additional Appro	priations Other (explain)
Identify Accounts:	236-60-1610-9012
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Potential Related Operating Budget Expenses: Annual Amount _\$	
Describe:	None. Parcel is not connected to public sanitary sewer.
Potential Related Operating Budget Revenues: Annual Amount \$	
Describe:	Parcel represents 0.0026% of the Full Equalized Value of the Saw Mill SSD
Anticipated Savings to	o County and/or Impact on Department Operations:
Current Year:	
Next Four Years:	
23	
Prepared by:	Steve Elie-pierre
Title:	Director
Department:	Maintenance Budget Director
Date:	March 31, 2025 Date: 6 23 25

## RESOLUTION NO. – 2025

**RESOLVED**, that this Board hold a public hearing on the proposed modification to the Saw Mill Valley Sanitary Sewer District by the removal of one (1) parcel of property located in the Town of Mt. Pleasant, more particularly described by street address and tax map designation as 127 Palmer Lane, Section 107.13, Block 1, Lot 39, pursuant to Section 237.131 of the Laws of Westchester County. The Public Hearing will be held at m. on the day of , 2025 in the Chambers of the Board of Legislators, 8<sup>th</sup> floor, Michaelian Office Building, White Plains, New York. The Clerk of the Board shall cause notice of the time and date of such hearing to be published at least once in one or more newspapers published in the County of Westchester and selected by the Clerk of the Board for that purpose in the manner and time required by law. Such notice shall be substantially in the form attached hereto.

## **PUBLIC NOTICE**

NOTICE OF HEARING: MODIFICATION TO THE SAW MILL VALLEY SANITARY SEWER DISTRICT BY THE REMOVAL OF ONE (1) PARCEL OF PROPERTY IN THE TOWN OF MT. PLEASANT; NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT A PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE HELD BY THE BOARD OF LEGISLATORS OF WESTCHESTER COUNTY ON THE DAY OF , 2025 AT .M. IN THE CHAMBERS OF THE WESTCHESTER COUNTY BOARD OF LEGISLATORS, 8TH FLOOR, 148 MARTINE AVENUE, WHITE PLAINS, NEW YORK FOR THE PURPOSE OF HEARING PERSONS OR PARTIES INTERESTED IN THE REMOVAL FROM THE SAW MILL VALLEY SANITARY SEWER DISTRICT OF LAND IN THE TOWN OF MT. PLEASANT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE FEASIBILITY REPORT OF THE COMMISSIONER OF ENVIRONMENTAL FACILITIES, DATED MARCH 31, 2025, BY STREET ADDRESS AND TAX MAP DESIGNATION AS FOLLOWS:

127 PALMER LANE, SECTION 107.13, BLOCK 1, LOT 39; and

A COPY OF THE REPORT AND MAP PREPARED BY THE COMMISSIONER OF ENVIRONMENTAL FACILITIES IS ON FILE IN THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF THE BOARD OF LEGISLATORS AND MAY BE INSPECTED THERE BY ANY INTERESTED PARTY DURING BUSINESS HOURS.

> CLERK OF THE COUNTY BOARD OF LEGISLATORS WESTCHESTER COUNTY, NEW YORK

Dated: , 2025

White Plains, New York