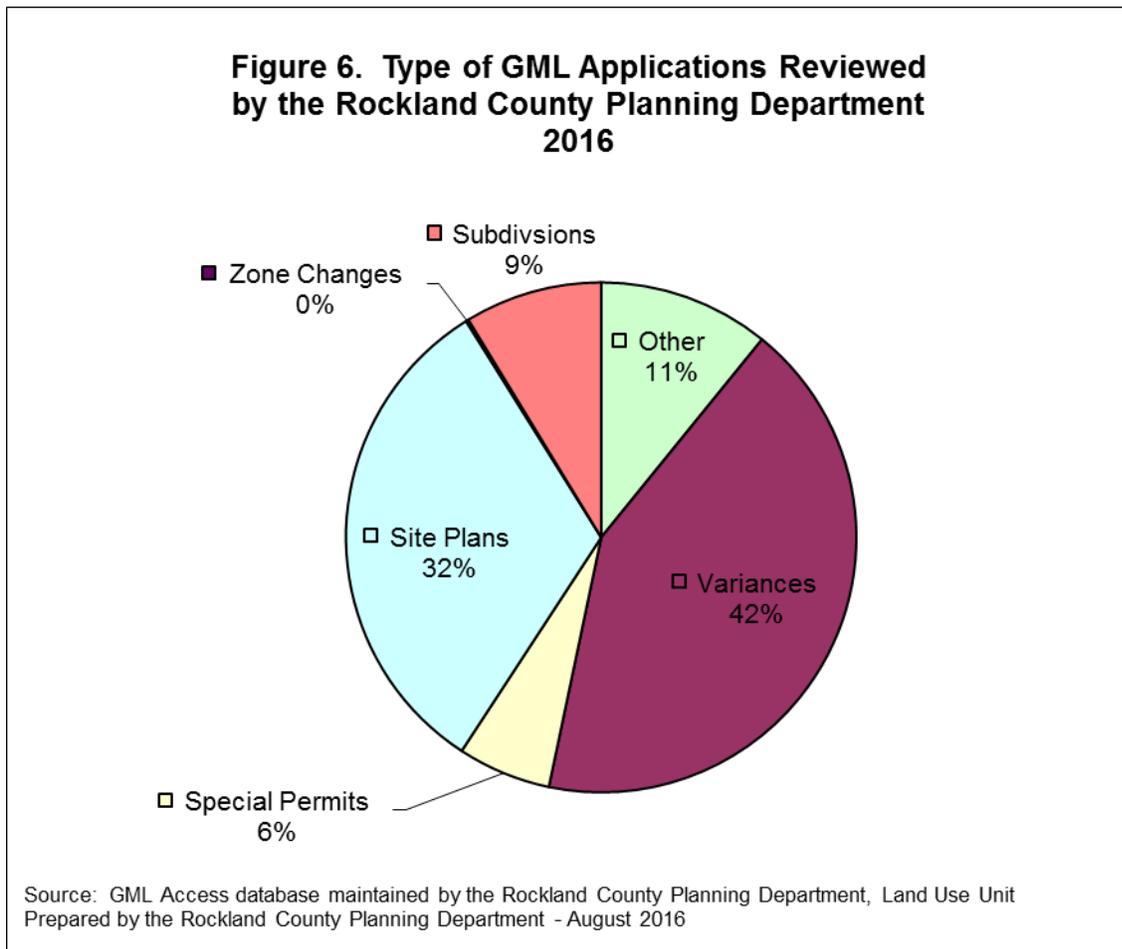


Pie Chart for Categories

The pie chart in Figure #6 below illustrates the breakdown of the applications received for review by type. The major categories include subdivisions, site plans, variances, zone changes, special permits, and “other.” Variance reviews comprised 42.4% of the development applications received by the County Planning Department, followed by site plans that comprised 31.9% of the number of applications reviewed. The next highest category with 10.9% of the total was the “other” category, which includes zoning code amendments, performance standard reviews, building permits, interpretations, comprehensive plan reviews and official map changes. Some examples of the “other” applications include a Local Law to regulate commercial filming, changes to bulk requirements within a Waterfront Development District, a temporary moratorium on wireless communication facilities, an amendment to provide enforcement mechanisms for violations of Special Permit conditions, and an update to a Comprehensive Plan and subsequent zoning code and map amendments. Subdivision applications accounted for 8.7% of total applications, and special permit applications totaled 5.9%. There was only one zone change for



2016, comprising only 0.2% of the total. Historically, site plan applications were consistently the highest type of application received for review. However, since 2011, the highest percentage category breakdown changed significantly, reversing from a high number of site plans to the

largest percentage being variances. This reflects the change in the economy and the high number of variance applications reviewed in the Town of Ramapo. In 2007 to 2009, variances outnumbered all other types of applications, having the third highest percentage in 2009 since 1983. Subdivisions applications reached a record low over the 34-year historical analysis in 2014.