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Orangetown Planning Board
21 Greenbush Road
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Tax Data: 68.08-1-5

Re: GENERAL MUNICIPAL LAW REVIEW: Section 239 L and M

Map Date: 10/18/2017

Date Review Received: 11/30/2017

Item: *PFIZER VILLAGE GREEN FENCE PLAN - PHASE 2 (O-905UUUUUU)*

Site plan for the proposed installation of additional security measures for an existing research facility located on 22.9 acres in the LI zoning district. The additional security measures include a site perimeter fence around the Village Green, which will prevent multiple person access with a one card swipe. Two trees will be removed in order to install the security turnstile and automatic gate.

North side of NYS Route 304, west side of S. Middletown Road

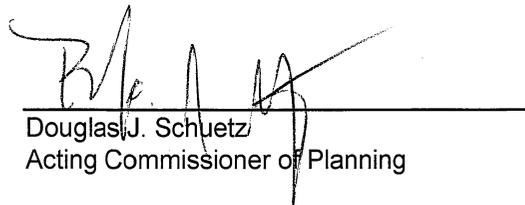
Reason for Referral:

NYS Route 304, S. Middletown Road (CR 33)

The County of Rockland Department of Planning has reviewed the above item. Acting under the terms of the above GML powers and those vested by the County of Rockland Charter, I, the Commissioner of Planning, hereby:

**Recommend the following modifications*

- 1 A review must be completed by the New York State Department of Transportation, and any required permits obtained.
- 2 A review must be completed by the County of Rockland Department of Highways and any required permits obtained.



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cc: Supervisor Chris Day, Orangetown
New York State Department of Transportation
Rockland County Department of Highways
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**NYS General Municipal Law Section 239 requires a vote of a 'majority plus one' of your agency to act contrary to the above findings.*

The review undertaken by the Rockland County Planning Department is pursuant to, and follows the mandates of Article 12-B of the New York General Municipal Law. Under Article 12-B the County of Rockland does not render opinions, nor does it make determinations, whether the item reviewed implicates the Religious Land Use and Institutionalized Persons Act. The Rockland County Planning Department defers to the municipality forwarding the item reviewed to render such opinions and make such determinations if appropriate under the circumstances.

In this respect, municipalities are advised that under the Religious Land Use and Institutionalized Persons Act, the preemptive force of any provision of the Act may be avoided (1) by changing a policy or practice that may result in a substantial burden on religious exercise, (2) by retaining a policy or practice and exempting the substantially burdened religious exercise, (3) by providing exemptions from a policy or practice for applications that substantially burden religious exercise, or (4) by any other means that eliminates the substantial burden.

Proponents of projects are advised to apply for variances, special permits or exceptions, hardship approval or other relief.

Pursuant to New York State General Municipal Law §239-m(6), the referring body shall file a report of final action it has taken with the Rockland County Department of Planning within thirty (30) days after final action. A referring body which acts contrary to a recommendation of modification or disapproval of a proposed action shall set forth the reasons for the contrary action in such report.