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December 12, 2013

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Stony Point Zoning Board of Appeals
74 East Main Street
Stony Point, NY 10980

Tax Data: 20.10-2-59

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

Map Date: 8/4/1995

Date Review Received: 11/22/2013

Item: *KEVIN MAHER (SP-803A)*

Appeal from the building inspector's decision, regarding whether the existing vegetation has been sufficiently trimmed to remove any visual obstruction at the intersection. The property is a single-family dwelling located on .21 acres in the R-1 zoning district.

Northwest corner of the intersection of Sullivan Drive and Central Highway

Reason for Referral:

Central Highway (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 An updated review must be completed by the County of Rockland Department of Highways to determine if the vegetative trimming has been done to their satisfaction so as to sufficiently remove any visual obstructions at the intersection.

Thomas B. Vanderbeek, P.E.
Commissioner of Planning

cc: Supervisor Geoffrey Finn, Stony Point
Rockland County Department of Highways
Kevin P. Maher
Erich & Kimberly Von Hein

**NYS General Municipal Law Section 239 requires a vote of a 'majority plus one' of your agency to act contrary to the above findings.*

KEVIN MAHER (SP-803A)

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.