

JOSEPH SALADINO  
SUPERVISOR



OFFICE OF THE TOWN SUPERVISOR  
54 AUDREY AVENUE  
OYSTER BAY, NEW YORK 11771  
516-624-6350

February 11, 2020

Hon. Arnold Drucker  
Nassau County Legislature  
1550 Franklin Avenue  
Mineola, NY 11501

Re: Draft Local Solid Waste Management Plan & Old Bethpage Solid Waste Disposal complex

Dear Legislator Drucker,

I write in response to your letter dated January 23, 2020. There seems to be great confusion between the State-mandated 10-year Solid Waste Management Plan and any proposal to improve the Solid Waste Complex. To accommodate the request of community stakeholders, the Town Board voted to extend the comment period on our 10-year Solid Waste Management Plan. That said; it is unrelated to any Request For Proposals (RFP) to modernize the Solid Waste Complex in Old Bethpage.

To clarify incorrect information reported by the media, let me state that we have a vision to modernize the Solid Waste Complex while better protecting the environment. Our goal is to move current operations indoors, thereby helping to reduce odors at the site. Our vision includes removing eyesores on the property, including the old incinerator and smokestacks, and replacing them with green infrastructure and solar panels. We will never disrupt the landfill cap or reactivate the incinerator process. We have no plans to take municipal waste from other municipalities. In fact, our Town Code prohibits it. Again, our plan is to modernize the operations, improve aesthetics for the community and reduce odors while lessening our environmental impact.

To determine if this vision for the property is possible, and at what cost, we will issue an RFP to the private sector this year. Upon receipt and review of any such achievable proposals, we certainly intend to host a public meeting to obtain input and share any proposals for the site. Should you have any additional questions, please feel free to call me at (516) 624-6350.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Joseph Saladino". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Joseph Saladino  
Town Supervisor