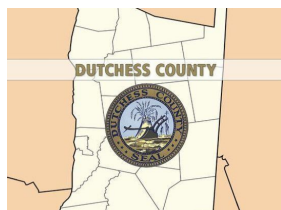


Hyde Park seeks public input on plans for town center

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The Town of Hyde Park is asking residents for input on its “downtown initiative” to develop a modern, walkable town center.

An open house is scheduled for June 19 from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. at Hyde Park Town Hall, according to a town press release. Funded by a Cleaner/Greener grant from the New York State Energy Research & Development Authority, the downtown initiative includes plans to revitalize a stretch of Route 9 between Pine Woods Road and Watson Place.

“We are very excited to be implementing a grant from NYSERDA that supports redevelopment of an important section of the Route 9 corridor through planning, design of infrastructure upgrades and modernized zoning,” Town Supervisor Aileen Rohr said in the release.

The open house will give people the opportunity to offer suggestions and feedback on the vision for the project, according to the release, including “the types of businesses and shops, housing, community amenities, design, streetscape and infrastructure improvements.”

It will also include information on other elements of the downtown initiative like a commercial sewer district and a sidewalk project along Route 9.

In the release, Hyde Park Deputy Supervisor Emily Svenson said she encourages anyone interested in the project to stop in.

“The open house,” she said, “will be a great opportunity for residents to share their ideas for the types of improvements they would like to see and businesses they would like to attract.”

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