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RESOLUTION # ____ of 2020

DRAFT

APPROVAL/SUPPORT FOR HOME RULE LEGISLATION AUTHORIZING THE DISCONTINUANCE AND ALIENATION OF PARKLAND IN THE TOWN OF SOUTHEAST.

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Southeast (the "Town Board") proposes to trade 82.1 acres of public parkland located on Pugsley Road in the Town of Southeast to Proswing Sports Realty, Inc. ("Proswing") in exchange for 94.9 acres of property owned by Proswing located on Starr Ridge Road in the Town of Southeast; and

WHEREAS, Proswing contemplates future recreational development, as permitted by the Zoning Code of the Town of Southeast, on the Pugsley Road parcel; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Southeast intends to acquire the Starr Ridge Road parcel for dedicated open space and parkland; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board stated its belief that the Pugsley Road property, which is owned by the Town and is designated for open space, will serve a greater public benefit if it were owned and developed for recreational use by a private project sponsor; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has asserted that any conveyance of the Pugsley Road site would be specifically conditioned upon such site being deed-restricted to prohibit the site from being used for any purpose other than Recreation, as may be defined by the Town of Southeast Zoning Code; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board believes the Starr Ridge Road site will serve a greater public benefit if it were acquired by the Town for preservation as permanent open space because the Starr Ridge Road property is located along a Scenic and Historic Route designated by the Town of Southeast and has linkages to nearby open space/recreation land in Peach Lake Natural Area owned by the Putnam County Land Trust; and

WHEREAS, on February 20, 2020, the Town Board enacted Resolution No. 11 of 2020 by which the Town Board determined that the application to the New York State Legislature seeking permission for the Alienation of Parkland is a Type I State Environmental Quality Review action; and further determined that no potential significant adverse impacts have been identified, and that there will be no adverse impact on historical resources, as set forth in the SEQR Notice of Determination of Non-Significance dated February 20, 2020; and

WHEREAS, on February 20, 2020, the Town Board enacted Resolution No. 12 of 2020 requesting that the New York State Legislature introduce Home Rule Legislation to authorize the Town Board to alienate a portion of Town-owned parkland on Pugsley Road, known and designated as Tax Map 45, Block 1, Lots 10 & 11; and

WHEREAS, the County of Putnam supports the proposed land swap as serving the interests of the residents of Putnam County by promoting smart economic development and providing enhanced recreational opportunities while protecting our valuable natural resources; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Putnam County Executive and the Putnam County Legislature hereby express their support for the request by the Town of Southeast that the New York State Legislature introduce Home Rule Legislation to authorize the Town Board to alienate a portion of Town-owned parkland on Pugsley Road, known and designated as Tax Map 45, Block 1, Lots 10 & 11; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the Putnam County Legislature is hereby directed to forward a copy of this Resolution to our State representatives in the State Legislature as well as the Governor and leadership of our State Legislature.

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LEGISLATURE
PUTNAM COUNTY
CARMEL, NY

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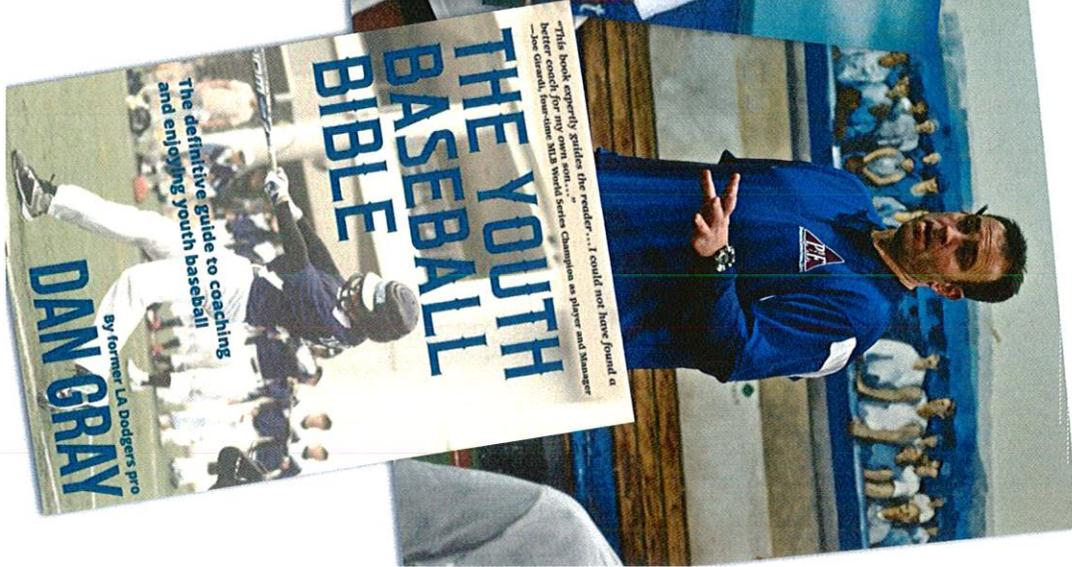
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Daniel P. Gray

Born & Raised in New York - Family resides in Ossining

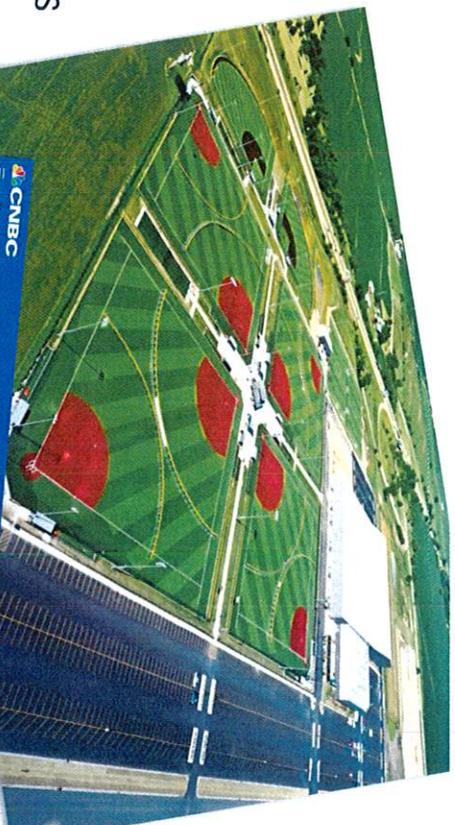
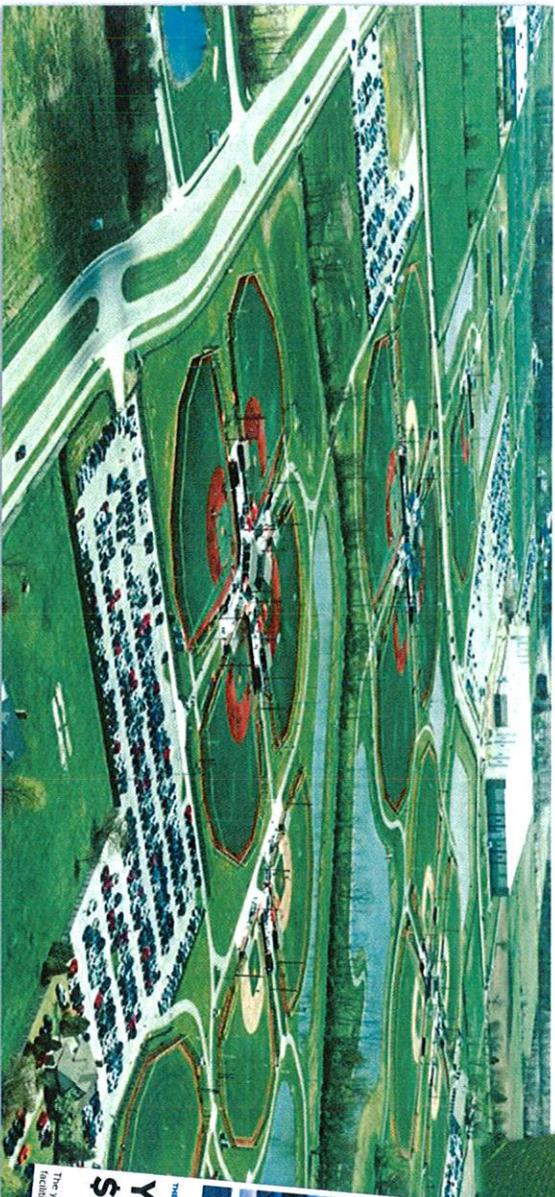
- ★ 1st Graduate of Binghamton University Drafted by MLB
Named to Binghamton University Hall of Fame (1997)
- ★ Catcher - Los Angeles Dodgers Organization (6 Years)
- ★ Founder - ProSwing Baseball & Softball Training Center
- ★ Author - The Youth Baseball Bible (Ingram Publishing 2018)



A Successful Concept Growing in the U.S.

Building on a Proven Model - The Multisport Complex

- ★ Travel Sports Tourism is a \$17B Industry
- ★ Multi-Field & Court Facilities Promote "Tournications"
- ★ Over \$550M Spent in Past 3 Years on Tournament Complexes



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YOUTH SPORTS
A GROWING INDUSTRY

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YOUTH TRAVEL SPORTS IS ESTIMATED TO BE A \$17 BILLION BUSINESS, EXPERT SAYS

The youth travel sports industry is worth \$17 billion. Der-Ping, founder and CEO of Sports Facilities Advisory, breaks down how the business, hotel and tourism industries benefit from the growth of travel sports.

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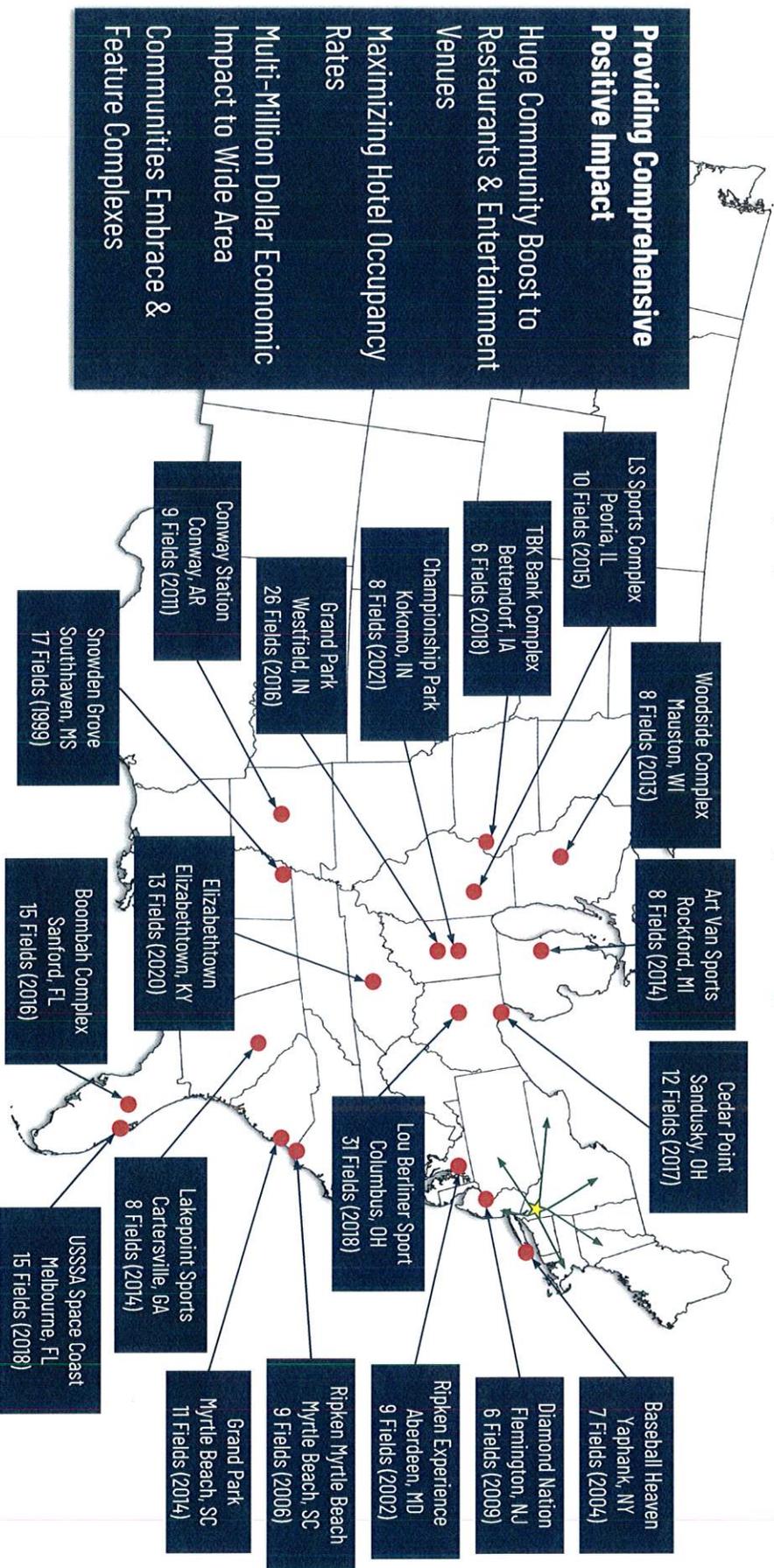
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Small Sample of Recent Multi-Field Complexes In Eastern U.S.

Demand for multi-field and multi-purpose facilities is skyrocketing



Bringing a Dream Complex to Reality in Putnam County...

How Will "The Farm" Do It Better?

- Diverse & Accomplished Management Team
- Ideal, Convenient Location
- World Class Facility Plan
- Community & Environmentally Friendly
- Accessible to All Kids, Ages & Skill Levels
- Huge Economic Benefit to Putnam County
- Promoting the Importance of Youth Sports



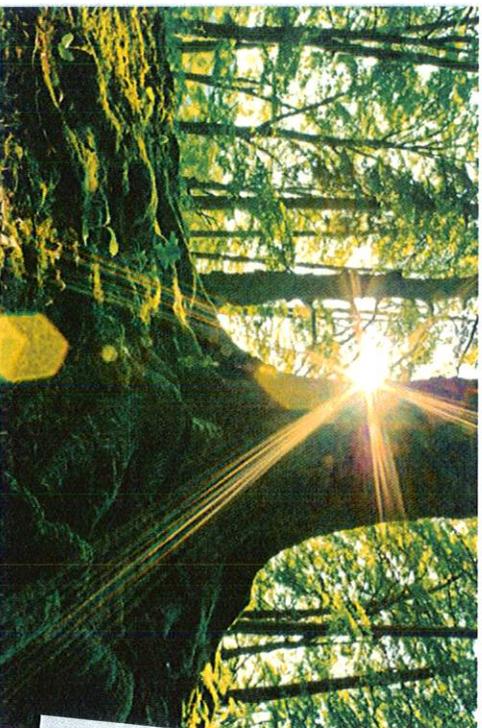
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Brewster, NY



Diverse & Accomplished Management Team

Experience executing programs that have delighted & educated kids & families for over 25 years

- ★ Strong Team of Business Owners
- ★ Finance, Accounting, Services & Industry Expertise
- ★ Lifelong Roots in Community
- ★ Deeply Eager to Invest & Promote Putnam County

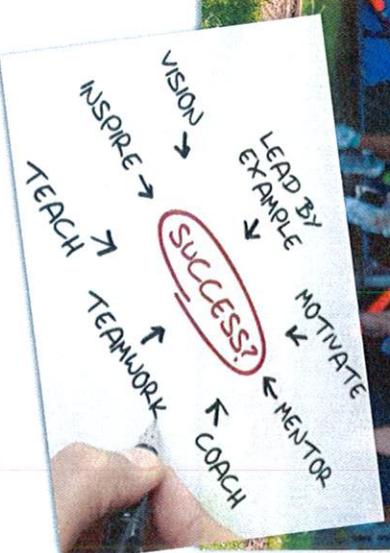
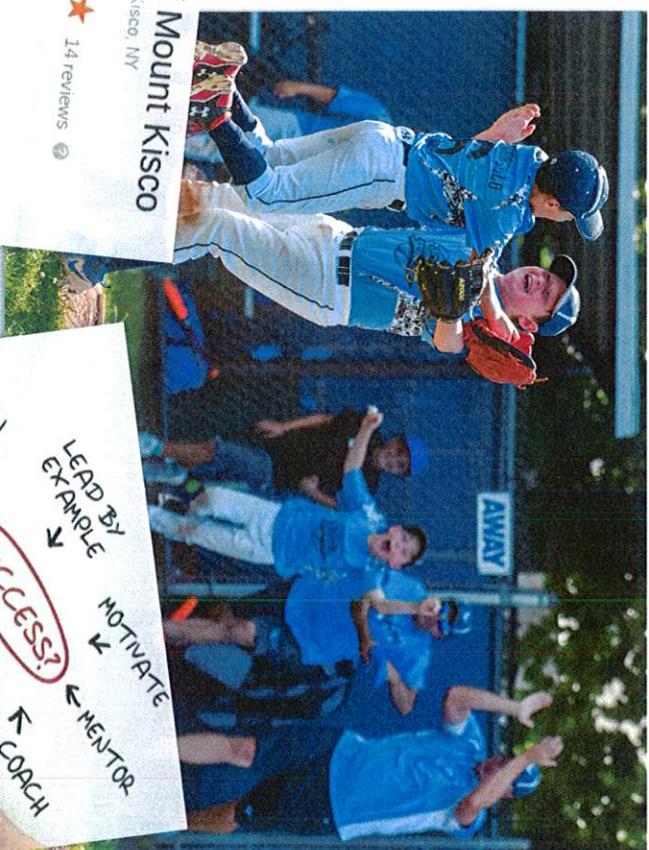


ProSwing of Mount Kisco
27 Radio Cir Dr # 100 Mt Kisco, NY

4.8 ★★★★★ 14 reviews

Mike V
Local Guide 121 reviews 2 photos
★ ★ ★ ★ ★ a year ago
Love it here. My son had learned so much in the time confidence in his abilities has greatly improved.

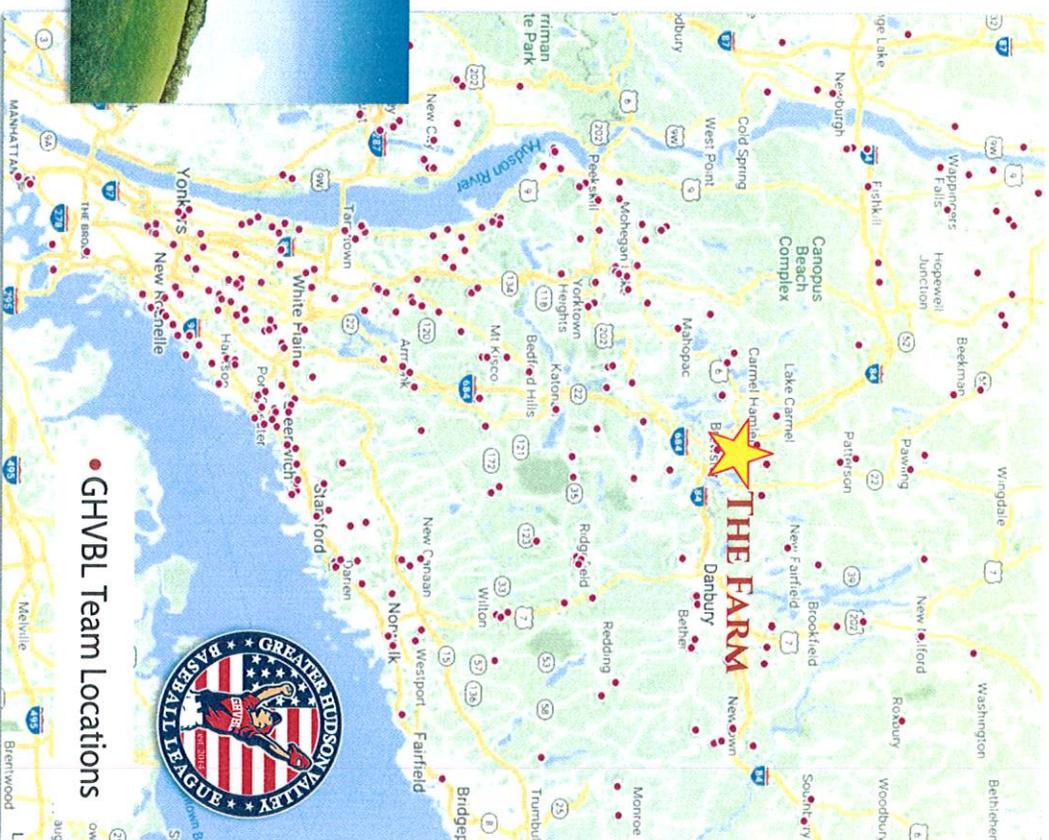
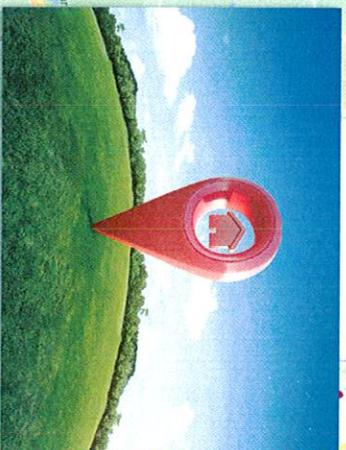
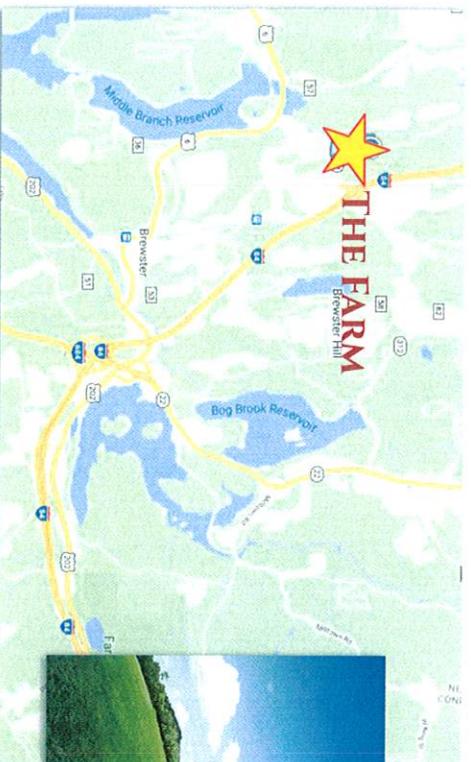
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Ideal, Convenient Location

The destination for sports year round in the Northeast

- ★ Easy Access from I-84, I-684, Taconic & All Directions
- ★ No Rezoning Necessary & Nothing Like it in NY or CT
- ★ Centrally Located Within GHVBL 750 Team Footprint
- ★ Manageable Travel from at Least Six States



World Class Facility Plan

Detailed solution to appreciate the diverse needs of the Putnam County community

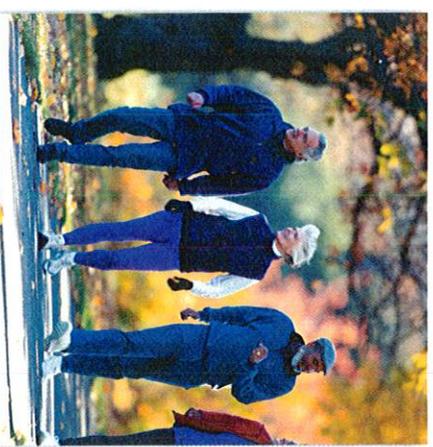
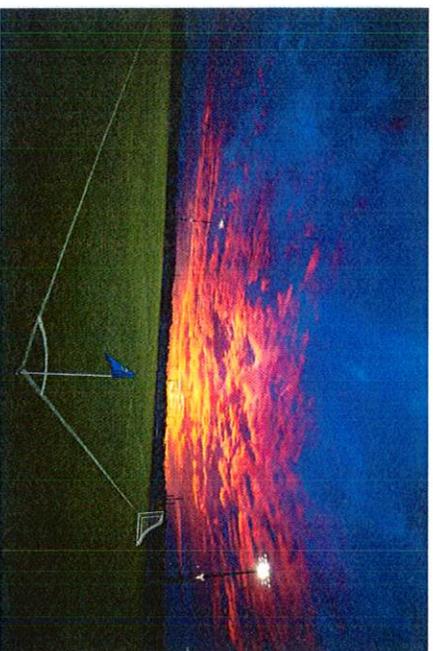
- ★ Facility to Serve Community Year Round
- ★ Comprehensive Indoor Services & Programs
- ★ Large Variety of Outdoor Sport & Activity Options
- ★ Thoughtful Plan to Accentuate the Site's Natural Beauty
- ★ Logical, Efficient, Attractive Layout



Community & Environmentally Friendly

Ownership eager to build sustainable relationships with the local community

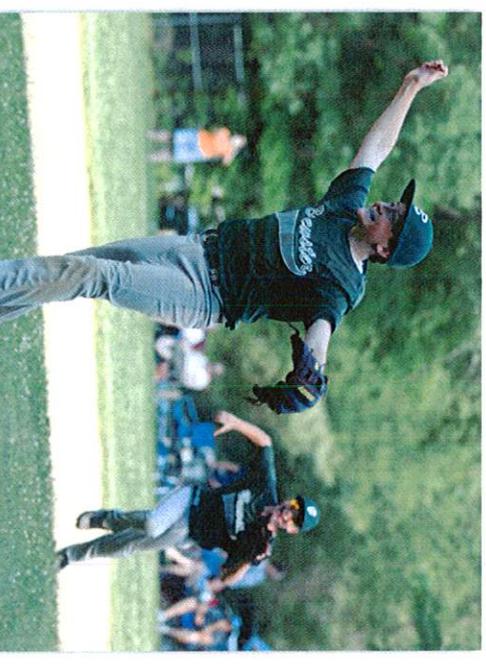
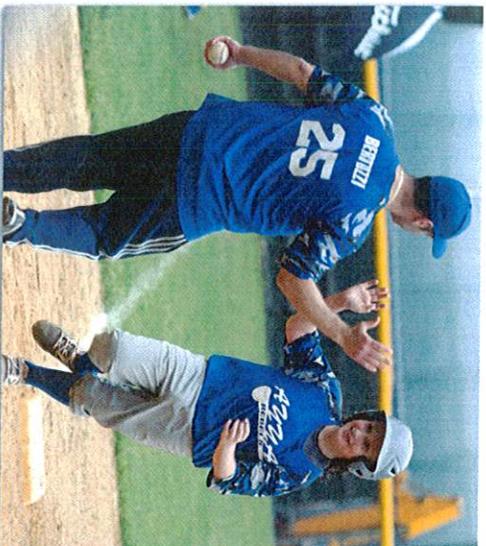
- ★ Facility Enhances Picturesque Putnam County Landscape
- ★ Programs to Augment & Support Local Recreational Programs
- ★ Walking Trails Planned to Promote Health & Wellness
- ★ Ownership to Gift Large Portion of Land Back to Brewster



Accessible to All Kids, Ages & Skill Levels

Providing a local venue for kids of all talents & abilities

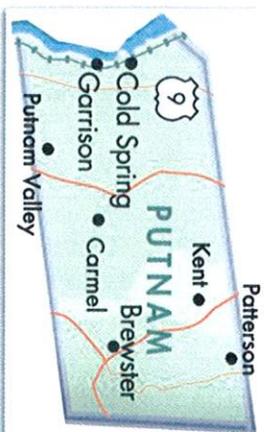
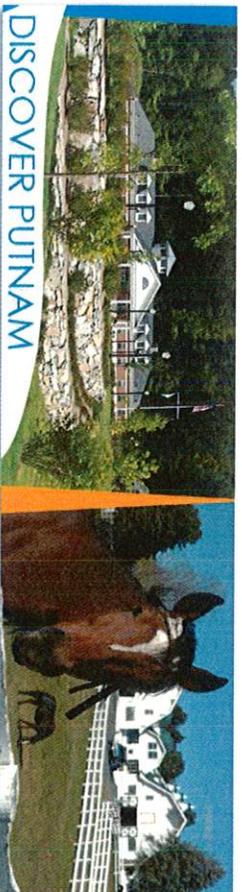
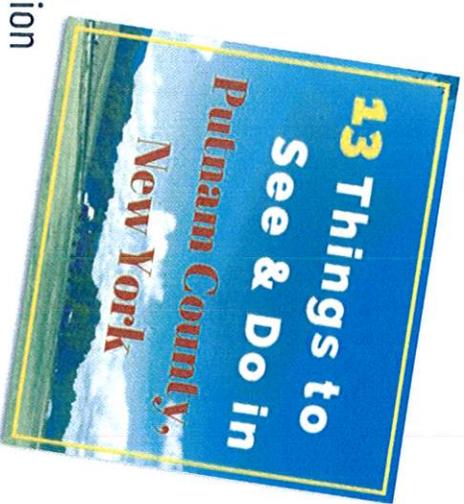
- ★ Bringing Families Together and Inspiring New Friendships Through Sports
- ★ Getting Kids Off the Streets, Off Cell Phones & Onto Courts, Fields & Diamonds
- ★ Encouraging Healthy Activity & Athletics in a Safe and Positive Learning Environment
- ★ Programs Catering to Elite, Town, Club, & Recreation Programs - All Levels Encouraged to Participate



Huge Economic Benefit to Putnam County

Facility to spark business, growth, & jobs to local economy

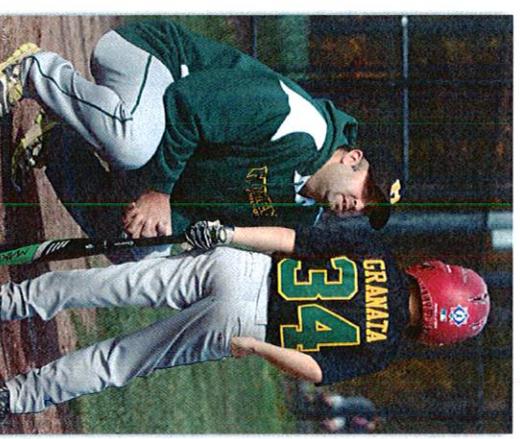
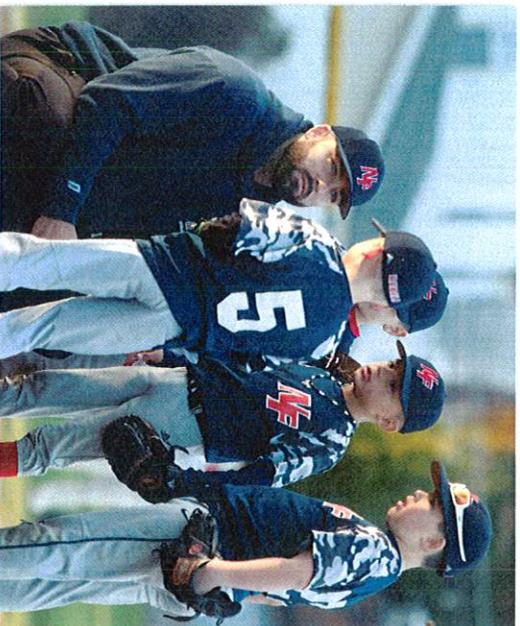
- ★ Providing Critical Tax Revenue Without Burdening Schools
- ★ Creating Jobs and Increasing Revenue for All Ancillary Businesses
- ★ Introducing Brewster & Surrounding Areas to Visitors, Tourists & Travelers
- ★ Injecting New Life into Putnam County by Creating a Desired Destination Location



Promoting the Importance of Youth Sports

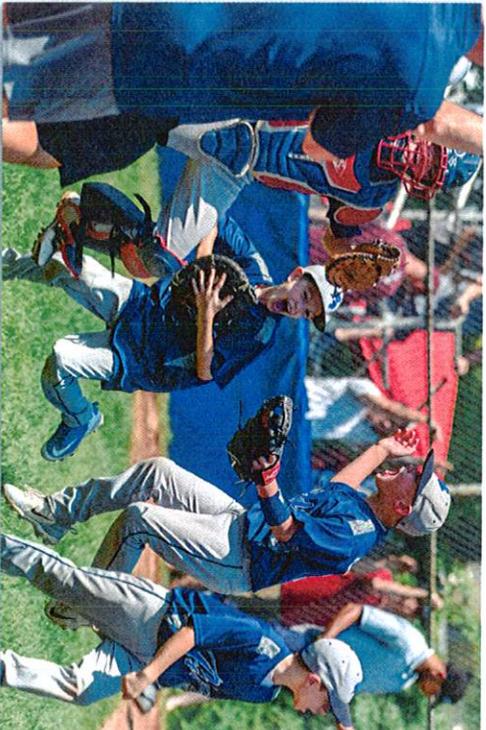
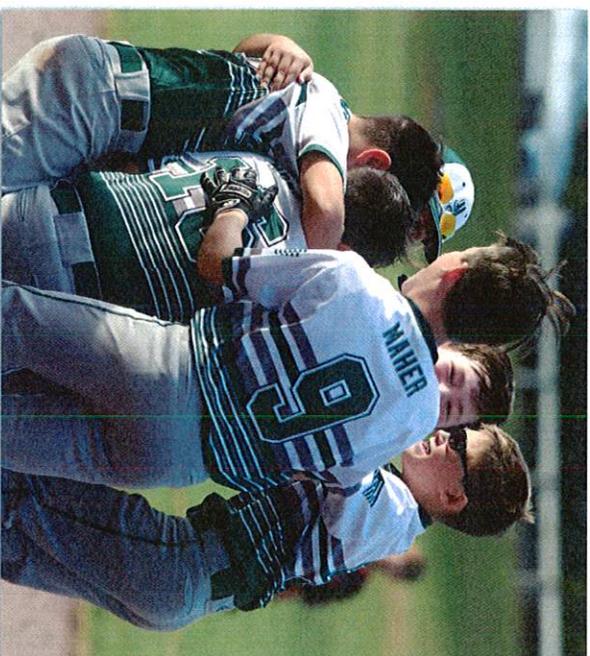
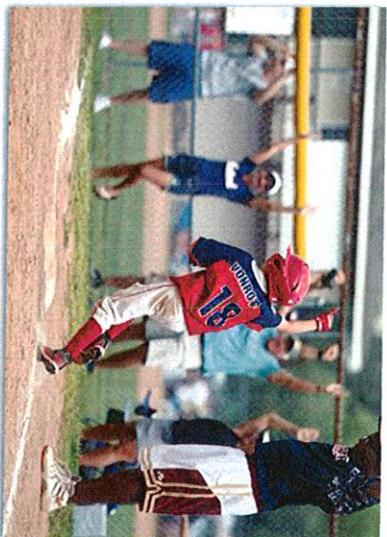
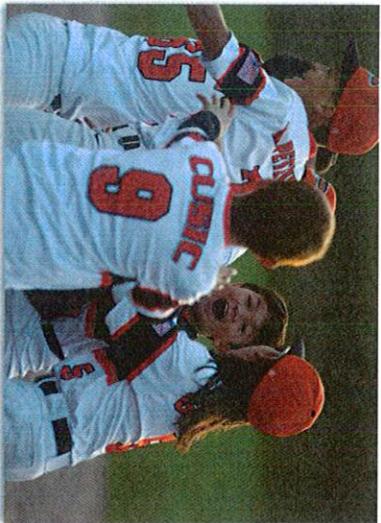
Focus on sportsmanship, mentorship & life lessons learned through sports

- ★ Inspiring & Nurturing the Purity & Excitement of Youth Athletics for Kids Regardless of Level & Ability
- ★ A Safe, Welcoming, Comfortable Environment that Enhances Learning, Teamwork, & Positivity
- ★ Life-Enriching Programs that Build Self-Esteem, Fond Memories and Bonds that Last a Lifetime
- ★ Education, Exposure & Opportunities for Kids (Showcases, Mentor programs, Volunteerism, Work study)



We Need Your Help & Support

This project has never been needed more for the community & kids of Putnam County & beyond....



Thank You For Your Time & Consideration!



THE FARM

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TOWN BOARD
TOWN OF SOUTHEAST, NEW YORK

REQUESTING THE NEW YORK STATE LEGISLATURE INTRODUCE
HOME RULE LEGISLATION TO AUTHORIZE THE DISCONTINUANCE
AND ALIENATION OF PARKLAND LOCATED ON PUGSLEY ROAD

RESOLUTION NO. 12 / 2020

Date: February 20, 2020

INTRODUCED BY: Supervisor Hay

SECONDED BY: Councilman Alvarez

2020 APR 15 AM 11:37
LEGISLATURE
PUTNAM COUNTY
CARMEL, NY

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Southeast (the "Town Board") requests authorization to sell public parkland located on Pugsley Road in the Town of Southeast, Putnam County to Proswing Sports Realty, Inc. for future development as permitted by the Zoning Code of the Town of Southeast; and

WHEREAS, in exchange, the Town Board shall acquire and dedicate property owned by Proswing Sports Realty, Inc. located on Starr Ridge Road as parkland; and

WHEREAS, the proposed sale and transfer of property requires parkland alienation legislation by the New York State Legislature and compliance with the State Environmental Quality Review Act ("SEQRA"); and

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Southeast has carefully considered the potential environmental impacts related to the alienation of public parkland on Pugsley Road, acquisition of the Starr Ridge Road property by the Town and the sale of Pugsley Road property by the Town (the "Proposed Action"); and

WHEREAS, after conducting a public hearing and other public meetings on the subject, the Town Board has confirmed that the Proposed Action will not result in any significant adverse environmental impacts and, as such, has issued a Negative Declaration pursuant to the requirements of SEQRA; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board believes the Pugsley Road site, which is owned by the Town and is designated for open space, will serve a greater public benefit if it were owned and developed for recreational use by a private project sponsor; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board also believes the Starr Ridge Road site will serve a greater public benefit if it were acquired by the Town for preservation as permanent open space because Starr Ridge Road property is located along a Scenic and Historic Route

designated by the Town of Southeast (§ 83-5C of the Town Code and shown in Historic & Cultural Resources Figure 2-3 in the 2014 Comprehensive Plan Update) and has linkages to nearby open space/recreation land in Peach Lake Natural Area owned by the Putnam County Land Trust; and

WHEREAS, a transfer of the Pugsley Road site for the Starr Ridge Road site, is only possible after legislative approval of the alienation of the Pugsley Road site; and

WHEREAS, to assist Members of the New York State Senate and Assembly who will be sponsoring legislation authorizing the alienation and the Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation, the Town Board has prepared the Parkland Alienation Form Municipal Information attached hereto as Exhibit "A."

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Southeast hereby requests the New York State Legislature introduce Home Rule Legislation to authorize the Town Board to alienate a portion of Town-owned parkland on Pugsley Road, known and designated Tax Map 45, Block 1, Lots 10 & 11; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that if such alienation is approved by the New York State Legislature, any conveyance of the Pugsley Road site shall be specifically conditioned upon such site being deed restricted to prohibit the site from being used for any purpose other than Recreation as may be defined by the Town of Southeast Zoning Code; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Supervisor of the Town of Southeast, or a duly authorized representative, is hereby empowered and directed to execute any and all documents, agreements, or other papers as may be necessary to implement the intent and purpose of this Resolution; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Clerk of the Town of Southeast, in conjunction with any other duly authorized representatives, is hereby directed to send certified copies of this Resolution and all supporting documentation to the New York State and Assembly Home Rule offices of Senator Pete Harkham and Assemblyman Kevin Byrne.

UPON ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilman Alvarez	<u>Aye</u>
Councilman Larca	<u>Aye</u>
Councilman Lord	<u>Nay</u>
Councilman O'Connor	<u>Aye</u>
Supervisor Hay	<u>Aye</u>

VOTE: carried by a vote of 4 in favor, 1 against; 0 abstained.

TOWN CLERK'S CERTIFICATION

STATE OF NEW YORK)

: ss.:

COUNTY OF PUTNAM)

I, MICHELE STANCATI, Town Clerk of the Town of Southeast, do hereby certify that the above is a true and exact copy of a Resolution adopted by the Town Board of the Town of Southeast at a meeting of said board held the 20th day of February, 2020.


MICHELE STANCATI
Town Clerk

**TOWN BOARD
TOWN OF SOUTHEAST**

**DETERMINATION OF NO ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT
WITH RESPECT TO HOME RULE REQUEST FOR ALIENATION OF PARKLAND**

RESOLUTION No. 11 /2020

Dated: February 20, 2020

INTRODUCED BY: Supervisor Hay

SECONDED BY: Councilman Larca

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Southeast, Putnam County, New York (respectively, the “Town Board” and the “Town”) is considering the swap of certain Town-owned property located on Pugsley Road which is currently designated “open space” land for a parcel of property located on Starr Ridge Road which would be designated and dedicated as public open space; and

WHEREAS, before the Town Board may actively pursue the swap of designated open space property for other lands to be designated open space, the Town Board must seek and obtain the approval of the New York State Legislature *via* a Home Rule Request for Approval of Alienation of Parkland; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board held a duly noticed public hearing on February 13, 2020, to receive public comment in favor of and against the proposal to seek approval for the alienation of public open space property and invited written comments to be submitted after the close of the public hearing; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has determined that the Project is a Type I action pursuant to the regulations promulgated pursuant to the State Environmental Quality Review Act (“SEQR”); and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has evaluated whether the proposed alienation of open space land in exchange for the dedication of other open space land may have a potential significant adverse environmental impact and, in connection with such evaluation, has prepared the State Environmental Quality Review Notice of Determination of Non-Significance, a copy of which is annexed hereto and made a part hereof.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that:

(1) The Town Board determines that the application to the New York State Legislature seeking permission for the Alienation of Parkland is a Type I SEQR action.

(2) The Town Board determines, as more fully set forth in the attached State Environmental Quality Review Notice of Determination of Non-Significance, dated February 20, 2020, attached hereto and made a part hereof, and after due consideration of all documents, materials and public testimony, both oral and written, and after consideration of whether the

proposed alienation of designated open space may result in a significant adverse impact on the environment, that no potential significant adverse impacts have been identified, and that there will be no adverse impact on historical resources.

This resolution was prepared in accordance with Article 8 of the Environmental Conservation Law.

ON A ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilman Alvarez	voting <u>Aye</u>
Councilman Larca	voting <u>Aye</u>
Councilman Lord	voting <u>Nay</u>
Councilman O'Connor	voting <u>Aye</u>
Supervisor Hay	voting <u>Aye</u>

VOTE: carried by a vote of 4 in favor, 1 against; 0 abstained.

TOWN CLERK'S CERTIFICATION

STATE OF NEW YORK)
 : ss.:
COUNTY OF PUTNAM)

I, MICHELE STANCATI, Town Clerk of the Town of Southeast, do hereby certify that the above is a true and exact copy of a Resolution duly adopted by the Town Board of the Town of Southeast at a Regular Meeting of said board held the 20th day of February, 2020.


MICHELE STANCATI
Town Clerk

State Environmental Quality Review
NEGATIVE DECLARATION
 Notice of Determination of Non-Significance

Date: February 20, 2020

This notice is issued pursuant to Part 617 of the implementing regulations pertaining to Article 8 (State Environmental Quality Review Act) of the Environmental Conservation Law.

The Town of Southeast Town Board as lead agency has determined that the proposed action described below will not have a significant environmental impact and a Draft Environmental Impact Statement will not be prepared.

Name of Action: Alienation of Town Owned Parkland on Pugsley Road

SEQR Status: Type 1
 Unlisted

Conditioned Negative Declaration: Yes
 No

Description of Action:

The Town Board of the Town of Southeast (the "Town Board") proposes to trade 82.1 acres of public parkland located on Pugsley Road in the Town of Southeast to Proswing Sports Realty, Inc. ("Proswing") in exchange for 94.9 acres of property owned by Proswing located on Starr Ridge Road in the Town of Southeast.

Proswing contemplates future recreational development, as permitted by the Zoning Code of the Town of Southeast, on the Pugsley Road parcel. However, given the uncertainty of ownership, no specific development plans are set forth at this time. The Town of Southeast intends to acquire the Starr Ridge Road parcel for dedicated open space and parkland. Any future development on either parcel is speculative, has independent utility from the alienation of parkland and land transfer actions, and would be subject to compliance with the State Environmental Quality Review Act ("SEQRA").

The Town Board believes the Pugsley Road property, which is owned by the Town and is designated for open space, will serve a greater public benefit if it were owned and developed for recreational use by a private project sponsor. Any conveyance of the Pugsley Road site shall be specifically conditioned upon such site being deed restricted to prohibit the site from being used for any purpose other than Recreation as may be defined by the Town of Southeast Zoning Code. Further, the Town Board believes the Starr Ridge Road site will serve a greater public benefit if it were acquired by the Town for preservation as permanent open space because Starr Ridge Road property is located along a Scenic and Historic Route designated by the Town of Southeast (§ 83-5C of the Town Code and shown in Historic & Cultural Resources Figure 2-3 in the 2014 Comprehensive Plan Update) and has linkages to nearby open space/recreation land in Peach Lake Natural Area owned by the Putnam County Land Trust.

Location: Town-owned parkland on Pugsley Road, in the Town of Southeast, Putnam County, New York, known and designated Tax Map 45, Block 1, Lots 10, 11 & 5.3.

Reasons Supporting This Determination:

The following materials have been reviewed:

- Full Environmental Assessment Form (EAF), dated January 29, 2020
- Letter from Richard O'Rourke, with enclosures, to the Town Board dated February 3, 2020
- Letter from Richard O'Rourke, with enclosures, to the Town Board dated February 13, 2020

In addition to the factors considered above, the Town Board considered the following guidance from the State Environmental Quality Review Act and its implementing regulations and determined that the Proposed Action would:

- (i) Not result in "a substantial adverse change in existing air quality, ground or surface water quality or quantity, traffic or noise levels; a substantial increase in solid waste production; a substantial increase in potential for erosion, flooding, leaching or drainage problems;" (§617.7(c)(1)(i))

- (ii) Not result in "the removal or destruction of large quantities of vegetation or fauna; substantial interference with the movement of any resident or migratory fish or wildlife species; impacts on a significant habitat area; substantial adverse impacts on a threatened or endangered species of animal or plant, or the habitat of such a species; or other significant adverse impacts to natural resources;" (§617.7(c)(1)(ii))
- (iii) Not result in "the impairment of the environmental characteristics of a Critical Environmental Area as designated pursuant to subdivision 617.14(g) of this Part;" (§617.7(c)(1)(iii))
- (iv) Not result in "the creation of a material conflict with a community's current plans or goals as officially approved or adopted;" (§617.7(c)(1)(iv))
- (v) Not result in "the impairment of the character or quality of important historical, archaeological, architectural, or aesthetic resources or of existing community or neighborhood character;" (§617.7(c)(1)(v))
- (vi) Not result in "a major change in the use of either the quantity or type of energy;" (§617.7(c)(1)(vi))
- (vii) Not result in "the creation of a hazard to human health;" (§617.7(c)(1)(vii))
- (viii) Not result in "a substantial change in the use, or intensity of use, of land including agricultural, open space or recreational resources, or in its capacity to support existing uses;" (§617.7(c)(1)(viii))
- (ix) Not result in "the encouraging or attracting of a large number of people to a place or places for more than a few days, compared to the number of people who would come to such place absent the action;" (§617.7(c)(1)(ix))
- (x) Not result in "the creation of a material demand for other actions that would result in one of the above consequences;" (§617.7(c)(1)(x))
- (xi) Not result in "changes in two or more elements of the environment, no one of which has a significant impact on the environment, but when considered together result in a substantial adverse impact on the environment; or" (§617.7(c)(1)(xi))
- (xii) Not result in "two or more related actions undertaken, funded or approved by an agency, none of which has or would have a significant impact on the environment, but when considered cumulatively would meet one or more of the criteria in this subdivision." (§617.7(c)(1)(xii))

In conclusion, the Proposed Action will not have any significant adverse environmental impacts.

For Further Information:

Contact Person: Michele Stancati, Town Clerk
 Address: Town of Southeast Town Hall
 1360 Route 22
 Brewster, NY 10509
 Telephone Number: (845) 279-4313

A Copy of this Notice has been filed with:

- Hon. Tony Hay, Supervisor, Town of Southeast
- Michele Stancati, Town Clerk, Town of Southeast
- Putnam County Department of Planning/Development & Public Transportation, 841 Fair Street, Carmel, NY 10512

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TOWN OF BEDFORD
OFFICE OF THE SUPERVISOR

Chris Burdick
Supervisor
MaryAnn Carr
Deputy Supervisor
Phyllis Cohen
Confidential Secretary
to the Supervisor



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TOWN BOARD
Kate Galligan
Bobbi Bittker
Ellen Calves
LEGISLATURE
PUTNAM COUNTY
CARMEL, NY

April 8, 2020

VIA EMAIL (harckham@nysenate.gov)
and FIRST CLASS MAIL

VIA EMAIL (ByrneK@nyassembly.gov)
and FIRST CLASS MAIL

Hon. Peter Harckham
New York State Senate
1 Park Place, Suite 302
Peekskill, NY 10566

Hon. Kevin Byrne
New York State Assembly
3 Starr Ridge Road
Suite 204
Brewster, New York 10509

Re: **Town of Southeast: Proposed Pro Swing Sports**
Starr Ridge/ Pugsley Road Project

Dear Pete and Kevin;

As you know, I am the Town Supervisor in the Town of Bedford, New York. I have served in this capacity for the past seven years and served as a Town Councilperson in Bedford prior to serving as the Supervisor. I am pleased to provide a letter of support for the project being proposed by ProSwing Sports on Pugsley Road in the Town of Southeast (and the related land swap with the Town of Southeast concerning property owned by ProSwing Sports located on Starr Ridge Road).

As an elected official, I am very interested in projects that will provide an economic boost to a community while simultaneously enriching the lives of families within that municipality and the surrounding communities. It is my sincere belief that the proposed sports complex will enhance not only the Town of Southeast but will also serve an important need for communities in Northern Westchester (like Bedford) and in Putnam County.

A sports facility such as the one being proposed will benefit our youth baseball and softball players in Bedford and throughout the region by providing a first-class facility in which players can train and compete close to home. It is my understanding that baseball and softball facilities similar to the one being proposed are located in Cooperstown New York, Eastern Long Island, Southern New Jersey or North Eastern Connecticut. Thus, this facility will fill an important need to the local baseball and softball communities in

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Northern Westchester and Putnam. It will also provide year round indoor recreational facilities for youth and adult athletes which are always in short supply in our area. Finally, this facility will also benefit local businesses that can provide food and entertainment to these athletes and their families.

As a result, I wholeheartedly support the land swap being proposed to allow the alienation of property located on Pugsley Road in the Town of Southeast in exchange for private property on Starr Road and the development of the ProSwing Sports facility on Pugsley Road.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Chris Burdick'.

Chris Burdick
Town Supervisor

Cc: Hon. Paul Jonke, Putnam County Legislator
(via email - pyonkster@aol.com)
Hon. Tony Hay, Town of Southeast Town Supervisor
(via email - thay@southeast-ny.gov)
Patricia Simone, Chief of Staff Putnam County's Executive Office
(via email - Patricia.Simone@putnamcountyny.gov)

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Diane Schonfeld

From: CRAIG COLE <craig.cole@snet.net>
Sent: Wednesday, April 08, 2020 8:20 AM
To: O'Rourke, Richard L.
Subject: Fwd: Town of Southeast Land Swap

FYI this is the CEO on Land Trust Alliance in Washington!

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: Andrew Bowman
Date: April 8, 2020 at 8:11:25 AM EDT
To: pyonkster@aol.com, Patricia.Simone@putnamcountyny.gov, thay@southeast-ny.gov, harckham@nysenate.gov, ByrneK@nyassembly.gov
Subject: Town of Southeast Land Swap

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Dear Representatives:

We write in support of the land swap transaction that would protect 90-plus acres on Starr Ridge Road in the Town of Southeast. Although we cannot opine on the mechanics of the land swap, we can attest to the beauty of the land on Starr Ridge and its value as open space.

We previously resided in a rental property located at 299 Starr Ridge Road. The structure we lived in part of the Beach/Finchen "Old Walls" estate, which features a stunning 100-year old stone Arts and Crafts home and Chester Beach's original sculpture studio. In short, the land surrounding the estate befits the beauty of the property and its buildings. The views – which we assume the public would be able to enjoy if the land swap takes place – are incredible. The wildlife is also abundant with a plethora of local and migrating bird species.

In closing, we note that we are engaged professionally and personally in the field of land conservation, which has allowed us to visit some of the most exquisite places in America. Based on that experience, we are comfortable asserting that the views and natural areas on that ridge are some of the most special that we've experienced. They absolutely deserve to be protected and, ideally, made available for recreational use.

Thank you for considering our input.

Sincerely,

Andrew Bowman and Alena Kaufman

cc: all
eco

Diane Schonfeld

From: O'Rourke, Richard L. <RO'Rourke@kblaw.com>
Sent: Wednesday, April 22, 2020 4:56 PM
To: Diane Schonfeld
Subject: FW: Southeast open space land swap (Starr Ridge Road)
Attachments: Fwd: Town of Southeast Land Swap

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CARMEL, NY

Diane, Here are some key ones if you can include, great, if not that's ok too. You have the text from the F Bedford Town Supervisor, correct?

----- Forwarded Message -----

From: CRAIG COLE <craig.cole@snet.net>
To: pyonkster@aol.com <pyonkster@aol.com>; Patricia.Simone@putnamcountyny.gov <patricia.simone@putnamcountyny.gov>; thay@southeast-ny.gov <thay@southeast-ny.gov>; harckham@nysenate.gov <harckham@nysenate.gov>; ByrneK@nyassembly.gov <byrnek@nyassembly.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, April 7, 2020, 10:38:57 AM EDT
Subject: Southeast open space land swap (Starr Ridge Road)

Dear Representatives,

My wife and I have lived at 283 Starr Ridge for 11 years and are writing you in support of the land swap requested by ProSwing Co. The Town Board of the Town of Southeast has requested the NYS Senate and Assembly to pass Home rule Legislation to permit the Town to convey property it owns to Proswing and in return the Town will receive more acreage for municipal open space which has a greater Fair Market Value. This is an opportunity that benefits the Town and the surrounding area.

The 90+ acres on Starr Ridge would be wonderful open space for the town. Starr Ridge is one of two Historic Districts/Roads and has many historic properties. It is surrounded by residential homes. We bought the Beach/Finchen home "Old Walls" and spent the last 10 years renovating this 100 year old stone Arts and Crafts home along with Chester Beach's original sculpture studio. The former owner of the land we adjoin gave us permission to walk the property and it is full of wildlife and natural beauty. It is not currently zoned or does it lend itself to a rezone to commercial development. It fronts a historic road with restrictions and has significant wetlands and slopes to reservoirs. Any attempt to rezone the Starr Ridge land would run into significant opposition from the current homeowners that surround it.

The Putnam Land Trust maintains the Finchen Preserve that runs to the East of Starr Ridge down slope by Peach Lake. The Putnam Land Trust Headquarters is on this land in our neighborhood, a stones throw from Starr Ridge on Cobb Road. Adding additional open land on the other side of Starr Ridge would be a great benefit for the town and area. Combining this land to the open space at Finchen and the 200+ acres at Ryder farm to the south will make a significant greenway for this historic area. There is a rough road cut in just south of our property on Starr Ridge. It is flat and would easily be a place for hikers to park. There are some existing trails currently on this property that would

need some clean up. We have spoken to neighbors and there is significant volunteer interest in helping to maintain these paths if so allowed and this land is turned into open space.

The financial benefit of this swap is significant. The property on Pugsley currently is a large expense for the town in the form of a bond. The swap with what ProSwing wants to bring to the town would turn that lands expense into a positive tax revenue for Southeast. The Pugsley land runs long Interstate 84 and is surrounded by commercial zoned land with current commercial sites as well as planned ones. Finally, the recreational aspects of this proposal would make sense in a zone already zoned for the activity and would be a real benefit for recreation in Putnam county.

Thank you for your consideration on this matter.

Sincerely,

Craig and Deborah Cole

**283 Starr Ridge Road
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NY State remains on PAUSE through May 15. All non-essential workers are directed to work from home, and everyone is required to wear a face covering and maintain a 6-foot distance from others in public.

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(<https://coronavirus.health.ny.gov/home>)

- [Home](http://www.labor.ny.gov) (<http://www.labor.ny.gov>)
- [Labor Statistics](#) (/stats)
- Local Area Unemployment Statistics Program

Local Area Unemployment Statistics Program

New York State, Labor Market Regions, Metropolitan Areas, Counties, and Municipalities of at Least 25,000 Population
Data Source: Local Area Unemployment Statistics Program

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(Data are not seasonally adjusted ([lstechseas.shtml](#))). Data are preliminary and subject to revision.)

UNEMPLOYMENT RATE

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Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Ann Avg
2020	4.0%	4.0%	4.2%										
2019	4.0%	4.0%	3.7%	3.3%	3.3%	3.5%	3.9%	3.9%	3.6%	3.7%	3.6%	3.8%	3.7%
2018	4.6%	4.7%	4.1%	3.6%	3.4%	3.7%	3.6%	3.6%	3.3%	3.2%	3.0%	3.4%	3.7%
2017	4.5%	4.7%	4.1%	3.8%	3.9%	4.2%	4.4%	4.4%	4.2%	4.0%	4.0%	4.0%	4.2%
2016	4.2%	4.3%	3.9%	3.6%	3.5%	3.9%	4.2%	4.2%	4.1%	4.0%	3.8%	3.9%	4.0%
2015	4.9%	5.0%	4.4%	4.1%	4.3%	4.3%	4.5%	4.2%	4.1%	3.9%	3.7%	3.8%	4.3%
2014	5.7%	5.9%	5.3%	4.5%	4.8%	4.8%	5.2%	5.0%	4.7%	4.3%	4.4%	4.2%	4.9%
2013	7.5%	7.1%	6.4%	5.8%	6.0%	6.2%	6.2%	6.0%	5.8%	5.6%	5.2%	5.0%	6.1%
2012	7.7%	7.8%	7.2%	6.9%	7.3%	7.5%	7.9%	7.3%	6.9%	6.7%	6.4%	6.6%	7.2%
2011	7.5%	7.4%	6.9%	6.7%	6.7%	7.1%	7.2%	7.0%	7.1%	6.9%	6.8%	7.0%	7.0%
2010	7.9%	7.8%	7.4%	7.0%	7.0%	7.1%	7.3%	7.1%	7.1%	6.9%	7.0%	6.8%	7.2%
2009	6.2%	6.6%	6.6%	6.3%	6.7%	6.8%	6.8%	6.8%	7.0%	6.9%	6.8%	6.9%	6.7%
2008	4.2%	4.2%	4.0%	3.7%	4.3%	4.4%	4.6%	4.7%	4.7%	4.5%	4.7%	5.1%	4.4%
2007	3.7%	3.6%	3.2%	3.0%	3.2%	3.3%	3.5%	3.3%	3.5%	3.3%	3.4%	3.5%	3.4%
2006	3.9%	3.9%	3.8%	3.6%	3.6%	3.6%	3.7%	3.4%	3.3%	3.0%	3.1%	2.9%	3.5%
2005	4.1%	4.1%	3.7%	3.5%	3.6%	3.8%	3.8%	3.5%	3.7%	3.5%	3.8%	3.4%	3.7%
2004	4.5%	4.5%	4.3%	3.8%	3.8%	4.0%	4.0%	3.7%	3.8%	3.6%	3.6%	3.7%	4.0%
2003	4.4%	4.2%	3.9%	3.7%	3.8%	4.1%	4.1%	4.0%	4.1%	3.9%	4.0%	3.8%	4.0%
2002	4.4%	4.4%	4.3%	3.9%	3.9%	4.1%	4.1%	3.7%	3.7%	3.5%	3.6%	3.6%	3.9%
2001	3.2%	3.2%	2.9%	2.6%	2.7%	3.0%	3.2%	3.4%	3.4%	3.4%	3.5%	3.6%	3.2%
2000	3.4%	3.6%	3.1%	2.6%	2.9%	2.9%	3.0%	2.9%	3.0%	2.7%	2.6%	2.4%	2.9%
1999	2.8%	3.0%	2.8%	2.8%	2.8%	3.3%	3.4%	3.0%	3.1%	2.7%	2.4%	2.1%	2.9%

Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Ann Avg
2020	49.6	49.7	49.5										
2019	48.7	48.9	49.3	49.2	49.4	49.5	49.9	49.2	49.2	49.7	49.6	49.3	49.3
2018	47.9	48.2	48.7	49.0	49.4	49.8	50.3	49.3	49.1	49.9	49.6	49.2	49.2
2017	47.9	47.9	48.7	48.9	48.9	49.4	49.8	49.1	48.9	48.8	48.5	48.1	48.7
2016	48.4	48.3	48.8	48.6	49.0	49.2	49.4	48.8	48.3	48.5	48.5	48.2	48.7
2015	47.4	47.4	48.0	48.4	48.8	49.1	49.1	49.0	48.2	48.6	48.7	48.7	48.5
2014	46.9	47.0	47.6	47.7	48.0	48.6	48.5	48.1	47.4	48.1	47.9	47.7	47.8
2013	46.8	47.2	47.6	48.2	48.6	49.2	49.5	49.2	48.4	48.1	48.2	48.0	48.3
2012	46.8	47.2	47.5	47.8	47.9	48.4	48.3	48.1	48.0	48.6	48.2	48.0	47.9
2011	47.2	47.5	47.9	48.1	48.1	48.2	48.4	48.4	47.6	48.3	48.1	47.9	48.0
2010	47.7	48.1	48.4	49.2	49.3	49.6	49.8	49.7	48.7	48.8	48.4	48.2	48.8
2009	51.7	51.1	51.2	51.5	51.4	52.3	52.7	52.1	50.6	50.5	50.7	50.1	51.3
2008	53.3	52.8	53.2	53.6	53.5	54.5	55.0	54.3	53.3	53.5	53.3	52.9	53.6
2007	53.3	53.0	53.4	53.3	53.4	54.7	55.1	54.3	53.4	53.7	54.1	53.9	53.8
2006	53.4	53.3	53.5	53.6	53.8	55.1	55.4	54.9	53.8	54.5	54.6	54.8	54.2
2005	53.0	52.8	53.1	53.5	53.8	54.6	55.3	55.1	53.8	54.3	54.1	54.4	54.0
2004	52.2	52.1	52.2	52.5	52.5	53.6	54.5	54.1	52.7	53.5	53.8	53.8	53.1
2003	51.7	51.6	51.9	52.1	52.0	52.9	53.2	52.7	51.5	52.1	52.4	52.3	52.2
2002	50.2	50.8	51.0	51.2	51.6	52.5	52.8	52.5	51.9	52.1	51.8	52.0	51.7
2001	50.7	50.6	50.9	50.7	50.7	51.6	51.8	50.8	50.2	50.6	50.7	50.9	50.8
2000	50.1	50.1	50.2	50.4	50.1	51.2	51.3	50.9	49.7	50.3	50.5	51.0	50.5
1999	53.8	53.0	52.7	52.7	53.5	55.0	55.1	55.3	52.8	53.6	53.6	54.0	53.8
1998	50.7	50.6	50.8	51.6	52.2	54.0	54.9	54.7	52.4	52.8	52.8	52.9	52.5
1997	48.5	48.1	48.8	49.0	49.7	51.3	52.7	52.8	50.9	51.3	51.3	51.5	50.5
1996	45.4	45.3	46.0	46.7	47.2	49.4	51.3	51.5	49.2	49.3	48.8	49.0	48.2
1995	46.0	46.0	46.0	46.2	46.6	48.1	48.7	49.3	47.1	47.4	47.1	47.0	47.1
1994	45.2	44.8	44.5	45.0	45.6	46.7	47.9	48.3	46.3	46.9	47.1	47.0	46.3
1993	44.5	44.5	44.8	45.4	46.1	47.5	48.2	48.5	45.7	45.6	45.6	45.3	46.0
1992	44.8	44.2	44.7	45.1	45.0	46.7	47.9	48.3	44.9	44.9	45.4	45.2	45.6
1991	45.5	45.1	45.2	45.8	45.8	47.3	47.9	47.4	45.5	45.8	45.5	45.1	46.0
1990	45.4	44.8	45.5	45.8	46.3	47.9	48.8	49.4	46.0	45.9	45.6	45.9	46.4

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Data in thousands.

Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Ann Avg
2020	2.1	2.0	2.2										
2019	2.0	2.1	1.9	1.7	1.7	1.8	2.0	2.0	1.8	1.9	1.8	2.0	1.9
2018	2.3	2.4	2.1	1.8	1.7	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.7	1.6	1.6	1.7	1.9
2017	2.3	2.4	2.1	1.9	2.0	2.2	2.3	2.3	2.2	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.1
2016	2.1	2.2	2.0	1.8	1.8	2.0	2.1	2.2	2.1	2.0	1.9	2.0	2.0
2015	2.4	2.5	2.2	2.0	2.2	2.2	2.3	2.2	2.0	2.0	1.9	1.9	2.2
2014	2.9	3.0	2.7	2.3	2.4	2.5	2.7	2.6	2.3	2.2	2.2	2.1	2.5
2013	3.8	3.6	3.2	3.0	3.1	3.3	3.3	3.2	3.0	2.8	2.7	2.5	3.1
2012	3.9	4.0	3.7	3.5	3.8	3.9	4.1	3.8	3.6	3.5	3.3	3.4	3.7
2011	3.8	3.8	3.6	3.4	3.5	3.7	3.8	3.7	3.7	3.6	3.5	3.6	3.6
2010	4.1	4.1	3.9	3.7	3.7	3.8	3.9	3.8	3.7	3.6	3.7	3.5	3.8

2009	3.4	3.6	3.6	3.4	3.7	3.8	3.9	3.8	3.8	3.7	3.7	3.7	3.7
2008	2.3	2.3	2.2	2.1	2.4	2.5	2.7	2.7	2.6	2.5	2.7	2.8	2.5
2007	2.1	2.0	1.8	1.7	1.8	1.9	2.0	1.9	1.9	1.8	1.9	1.9	1.9
2006	2.2	2.2	2.1	2.0	2.0	2.1	2.1	1.9	1.9	1.7	1.7	1.6	2.0
2005	2.3	2.3	2.0	1.9	2.0	2.1	2.2	2.0	2.1	2.0	2.1	1.9	2.1
2004	2.5	2.5	2.4	2.1	2.1	2.2	2.3	2.1	2.1	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.2
2003	2.4	2.3	2.1	2.0	2.1	2.2	2.3	2.2	2.2	2.1	2.2	2.1	2.2
2002	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.1	2.1	2.3	2.2	2.0	2.0	1.9	2.0	2.0	2.1
2001	1.7	1.7	1.5	1.4	1.4	1.6	1.7	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.9	1.7
2000	1.8	1.8	1.6	1.4	1.5	1.5	1.6	1.5	1.5	1.4	1.4	1.3	1.5
1999	1.6	1.7	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.9	1.9	1.7	1.7	1.5	1.3	1.2	1.6
1998	1.6	1.6	1.4	1.3	1.4	1.5	1.6	1.5	1.4	1.4	1.3	1.2	1.4
1997	1.8	1.8	1.7	1.4	1.5	1.7	1.8	1.7	1.6	1.4	1.4	1.3	1.6
1996	2.0	1.9	1.8	1.8	2.0	1.9	2.1	1.8	1.6	1.6	1.5	1.4	1.8
1995	2.2	2.1	1.9	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.1	2.0	1.9	1.7	1.5	1.5	1.9
1994	2.6	2.6	2.5	2.2	2.1	2.3	2.5	2.4	2.2	2.1	2.0	1.8	2.3
1993	2.8	2.8	2.6	2.3	2.5	2.9	2.8	2.8	2.6	2.5	2.3	2.2	2.6
1992	3.2	3.3	3.2	2.8	2.9	3.2	3.1	3.0	2.9	2.6	2.5	2.6	2.9
1991	2.5	2.6	2.7	2.4	2.6	2.7	2.8	2.7	2.6	2.5	2.3	2.5	2.6
1990	1.4	1.5	1.4	1.4	1.5	1.6	1.7	1.7	1.6	1.6	1.8	1.8	1.6

For more information concerning Unemployment Rates and Labor Force (LAUS), see [Technical Notes \(lstechlaus.shtm\)](#). For additional information on the various sources of employment data, see [comparing sources of employment data \(lscompare.shtm\)](#).

For additional information, contact your local [labor market analyst \(lslma.shtm\)](#).