

PITTSFORD CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
 Board of Education Meeting
 Tuesday, January 17, 2023
 Barker Road Middle School
 (Link to Public Viewing on Website)

The SPECIAL MEETING of the Pittsford Central School District Board of Education began at 7:00 p.m. in the McCluski Room, Barker Road Middle School on Tuesday, January 17, 2023.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: T. Aroesty, R. Scott, D. Berk, J. Casey, E. Kay, S. Pelusio, R. Sanchez-Kazacos.

LEADERSHIP TEAM PRESENT: M. Pero, J. Cimmerer, S. Cutaia, M. Vespi, M. Ward, N. Wayman, E. Woods.

LEADERSHIP TEAM ABSENT: S. Clark

OTHERS PRESENT: *The sign-in sheets in their entirety are duly made a part of these minutes and are kept in a supplemental file for this meeting.*

1. Mr. Aroesty called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and asked everyone to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Motion was made by Mrs. Scott, seconded by Mrs. Sanchez-Kazacos and carried **APPROVED:**
 regarding the following resolution: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves **AGENDA**
 the agenda for this meeting.
 Vote: Unanimously carried

3. Mr. Brian Cieslinski from SEI, presented on the proposed Capital Project.

4. Motion was made by Mr. Casey, seconded by Mrs. Pelusio and carried **APPROVED:**
 regarding the following resolution: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves **SEQRA**
 the SEQRA as presented.
 Vote: Unanimously carried by way of Roll Call

THE PITTSFORD CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT'S RESOLUTION CONCERNING 2023 CAPITAL
 IMPROVEMENT PROJECT PURSUANT TO THE NEW YORK STATE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY REVIEW ACT

WHEREAS, the Pittsford Central School District (the "District") is proposing a capital improvement project at a number of District facilities where work will include interior and exterior renovations, building upgrades, as well as associated mechanical, electrical and plumbing infrastructure upgrades including as follows: renovations of classrooms/technology/fitness center/storage/pool/small gym, reconfigure commons and kitchen, relocate band room and storage, new LGI and storage, new toilet rooms, renovations of main office/mental health/nurse suite, secure entries at main office and district office, emergency generator, area of assembly locks, security cameras, remove portable classrooms and restore site, remove tennis courts, new field events area at the Barker Road Middle School; a two--story addition for classrooms, renovations of existing classrooms/weight room, renovations of main office/mental health/counseling office, computer room cooling, secure entries, exterior door replacement, gymnasium and auditorium lobby improvements, technology corridor security upgrades, area

of assembly locks, entry and hallway convectors, PA head end replacement, tennis courts replacement, new pickleball, toilet room building at stadium, baseball outfield drainage, pool bleachers, physical enhancements, video board and sound system, and security cameras at the Mendon High School; roof coating, area of assembly locks, emergency generator, heat pump replacement, auditorium HVAC, security cameras, and secure entry at main office at the Calkins Road Middle School; crawlspace sanitary replacement, exterior door replacement, area of assembly locks, emergency generator, security cameras, chiller replacement, new tennis courts, refurbish old tennis courts for pickleball, baseball outfield drainage, and secure entry at main office at the Sutherland High School; roof renovation/coating, area of assembly locks, emergency generator, locker rooms renovations for mental health suite/toilet rooms/offices/storage, security cameras, and secure entry at main office at the Allen Creek Elementary School; area of assembly locks, emergency generator, locker rooms renovations for mental health suite/toilet rooms/offices/storage, security cameras, and secure entry at main office at Jefferson Road Elementary School; area of assembly locks, emergency generator, locker rooms renovations for mental health suite/toilet rooms/offices/storage, security cameras, and secure entry with classroom and office renovations at the Mendon Center Elementary School; area of assembly locks, emergency generator, locker rooms renovations for mental health suite/toilet rooms/offices/storage, security cameras, and secure entry at main office at the Park Road Elementary School; area of assembly locks, locker rooms renovations for mental health suite/toilet rooms/offices/storage, security cameras, and secure entry at main office at the Thornell Road Elementary School; diesel tank replacement, security cameras, and RTU replacement at the District's Transportation and Maintenance facility; and restoration of windows, installation of security cameras, and completing exterior envelope including painting at the Lomb Building (collectively referred to hereafter as the "Project"); and

WHEREAS, the location where the Project will be undertaken include the District buildings and structures sited at the Barker Road Middle School, Mendon High School, Calkins Road Middle School, Sutherland High School, Allen Creek Elementary School, Jefferson Road Elementary School, Mendon Center Elementary School, Park Road Elementary School, Thornell Road Elementary School, the District's Transportation and Maintenance facility, and the Lomb Building (hereinafter the "Site" or the "Project Site"); and

WHEREAS, in accordance with applicable law and procedure, the District has reviewed the Project in light of the requirements pursuant to the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act, Article 8 of the New York Environmental Conservation Law and 6 NYCRR Part 617 (collectively referred to as "SEQRA"), identified the Project as an Unlisted Action, and conducted an uncoordinated review of the Project in accordance with SEQRA's requirements;

WHEREAS, the District has considered the potential impacts on the environment of the Project, as set forth in more detail below, by undertaking a thorough review of the Project's plans and completion of Parts 1 and 2 of the Short Environmental Assessment Form ("EAF"); and

WHEREAS, the District resolves based upon the information contained in the EAF, including Parts 1 and 2 of the EAF, for the Project completed by the District's consultants which the District hereby adopts as its own after review and analysis of same, as well as based on the review the District has completed of the EAF Mapper for the Project site where Project work is to be performed and its review of documents associated with the Project, the District has determined that the Project will not result in a potential significant negative impact to the environment.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

Upon thorough review and due consideration by the District of the EAF including the completed answers to Parts 1 and 2, the completed EAF Mapper prepared for the Project, and the plans and other documents provided regarding the Project, the District makes the following findings:

1. The District has considered the Project pursuant to the parameters and criteria set forth in 6 N.Y.C.R.R. §§ 617.2(b) and 617.3(g).

2. The District classifies its review and approval of the Project as an Unlisted Action pursuant to 6 N.Y.C.R.R. § 617.2(al).

3. The District adopts each of the matters set out in the "Whereas" clauses herein as part of this resolution and adopts same as findings with the same force and effect of any other findings and determinations set out herein.

4. The District has considered the significance of the potential adverse environmental impacts of the Project by: (i) carefully reviewing and examining the responses to the EAF, including the information in the completed Parts 1 and 2, which the District hereby adopts and incorporates each of the parts of the EAF by reference with the enactment of this resolution, together with examining other available supporting information and documents concerning the Project in terms of Project plans, as well as reviewing the EAF Mapper results at the Site where Project work will be completed and assessing the potential impacts from the Project to land, stormwater and groundwater, wetlands, other water resources, agriculture, historic, archaeological and other recognized and/or protected resources, threatened or endangered plant and animal species, transportation, traffic, community character and cumulative impacts if any, and other impacts and potential impacts as required, and considered each of the other potential impacts as required by applicable regulation; (ii) considered the criteria set forth in 6 NYCRR § 617.7(c) in light of such potential impacts; and (iii) thoroughly analyzed the identified areas of relevant environmental concern in issuing this Negative Declaration, and finds that the Project will not result in a potential significant adverse impact on the environment for the following reasons:

Impacts to Community Character and Land:

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The Project will not have a significant adverse impact on land, since the location associated with the Project including where renovations of District buildings and site work will occur on the Project Site will take place on property that has for a significant period of time been developed and utilized for educational purposes, including those associated with administrative, educational, extracurricular, and transportation (associated with education and extracurricular activities) purposes, and such location will continue to be utilized for those or similar purposes when the Project is completed. Moreover, as indicated, each of the additions and alterations associated with the Project are proposed for the existing school campus site where the buildings and schools at issue are located, and there is no change in land use proposed. Further, no significant impact anticipated to the surrounding areas or settings because the Site will continue to be utilized directly by the District for the same purposes associated with education as the Project Site has been used for an extended period.

Water/Stormwater Impacts:

The Project will not have a significant potential adverse environmental impact on water, including surface water and stormwater. The Project will not have a significant adverse impact on any protected water body. Further, while wetlands or other water bodies appear to be located in areas associated with the Project Site (based on EAF Mapper and other results), no significant adverse impacts from Project construction or Project operations (once it is constructed) to any such wetlands or bodies is anticipated based on the fact that all of the work is on the same site that has been used by the District for many years (for the same purpose), and no offsite property is to be acquired for the Project. Further, no water body in proximity to the Site has been identified as a water-quality impaired resource.

Further, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) Phase II Stormwater Regulations pursuant to the New York State Pollutant Discharge Elimination Permit program (“SPDES”) requires approval of stormwater management system designs for projects having an overall disturbance area greater than one (1) acre. To the extent any of the Project work will result in site disturbance greater than one (1) acre and as otherwise appropriate, the District shall file and for such permits and seek coverage under the NYSDEC general SPDES permit program.

In addition, the Project will not alter drainage flow or patterns, or surface water runoff as any work on the Project site and features added will follow the current flow patterns previously established.

Air Quality Impacts:

The Project will not result in any significant adverse impact to air quality. The District finds there will be no substantive negative impacts to air quality from the Project, including from construction activities, nor from any traffic increases that may result from development and operation of the Project based on the size and scope of the Project under the circumstances.

Impacts to Plants and Animals:

The Project will not result in a significant adverse impact on plants or animals. Given the nature of the work to be completed in constructing the Project, no significant adverse impact from same is anticipated, nor from operation of the Project as the Site will continue to function as it has previously. Further, no impacts from construction of the Project are anticipated in light of the fact that other similar work on the Site has apparently taken place in the past without any documented significant adverse impact.

Impacts on Agricultural Resources:

The Project will not result in a significant adverse impact on agricultural resources.

Impacts of Aesthetic Resources:

The Project will not have a significant adverse impact on aesthetic resources. Proposed building additions and site work associated with the Project is consistent with the current use of the property and buildings encompassed by the Project, and as a result, it is not anticipated that the Project will have any significant adverse impact to aesthetic resources, including to the areas in proximity to where Project work will be undertaken.

Impacts to Historic and Archeological Resources:

The Project will not result in a significant adverse impact to historic or archaeological resources. The only structure that is listed on the State Register of Historic Places is the Lomb Building. All of the upgrade work proposed for the Lomb Building shall enhance and preserve the structure and be completed pursuant to the approval of the NYS Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation. As a result, the District finds there will be no significant adverse impact to any recognized historic or archeological resources.

Impacts on Open Space and Recreation:

The Project will not have a potential significant adverse impact on existing open space and recreation. As the Project contemplates work consistent with continued use of the Site for educational purposes, no potential significant adverse impact is anticipated to open space and recreation.

Impacts on Critical Environmental Areas:

The Project will not have a significant adverse impact on any Critical Environmental Area as designated pursuant to 6 N.Y.C.R.R. § 617.14(g) of the SEQRA regulations.

Impacts on Transportation (Traffic):

The Project will not have a significant adverse impact on transportation or the existing traffic patterns and flow. Based on the scope of the Project, the District determines there will be no significant adverse impact to transportation including from any Project related traffic including associated with construction or otherwise.

Impacts on Energy:

The Project will not have a significant adverse impact on energy.

Impacts Related to Noise, Odor and Light:

The Project will not have a significant adverse impact from objectionable noise or from odor or light. While during construction there will be some noise and potential odors, including potentially from heavy

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equipment, same are not anticipated to be of any significant duration, and will be within the normal range of such noise and odor issues for construction projects of the size proposed for the Project here. Further impacts from construction activities will be mitigated by requirements and specifications the District will insist any of its contractors meet, including limiting work on the Project reasonable daytime hours unless extraordinary circumstances arise. Further, once construction is complete, the Project is not anticipated to have any material impact from noise or odors significantly different from current activities at the Site. It is anticipated that if there will be a need for additional lighting to be included with proposed building additions and site improvements, the District will request the contractors at issue to design implementation of same to minimize light spill away from the Site.

Impacts on Public Safety:

The Project will not have a significant adverse impact on public health or safety.

Impacts on Local Utilities:

No significant adverse impact is expected on local utilities from the Project, including to such utilities after the Project becomes operational, as no issue has been identified as to the capacity of such local utilities to provide services to the Project.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

1. Based on the foregoing, the District finds that the Project will not have a potential significant adverse impact on the environment in accordance with the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act, Article 8 of the New York Environmental Conservation Law and, in particular, pursuant to the criteria set forth at 6 N.Y.C.R.R. § 617.7(b) of the SEQRA regulations. The District thus issues a Negative Declaration pursuant to SEQRA.
2. The Negative Declaration, which this resolution constitutes under the circumstances shall, be filed and/or published to the extent required by the SEQRA regulations, and as the District may deem advisable. The findings and conclusions relating to the determination of significance contained within the Negative Declaration (which is this resolution) are hereby adopted and incorporated by reference into this Resolution as applicable.
3. This Resolution has been prepared in accordance with Article 8 of the New York Environmental Conservation Law and 6 NYCRR Part 617 by the Pittsford Central School District Board of Education with offices located at 75 Barker Road, Pittsford, New York 14534.
4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

The following vote was taken and recorded in the public or open session of said meeting:

Moved by: Mr. Casey

Seconded by: Mrs. Pelusio

<u>Aye</u>	Ted Aroesty	Nay _____	Absent _____
	Robin Scott	_____	_____
	Dave Berk	_____	_____
	Jeff Casey	_____	_____
	Emily Kay	_____	_____
	Sarah Pelusio	_____	_____
	René Sanchez-Kazacos	_____	_____

Accepted: 7 (seven) Denied: 0 (zero)

5. Motion was made by Mr. Casey, seconded by Mrs. Scott and carried regarding the following resolution: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves the Special Meeting/Capital Project as presented.
Vote: Unanimously carried by way of Roll Call

**APPROVED:
CAPITAL PROJECT
VOTE**

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE PITTSFORD CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, MONROE AND ONTARIO COUNTIES, NEW YORK (THE “DISTRICT”) AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A PROPOSITION TO BE VOTED UPON BY THE QUALIFIED VOTERS OF SAID DISTRICT AT A SPECIAL MEETING THEREOF TO BE HELD ON MARCH 28, 2023

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Pittsford Central School District, Monroe and Ontario Counties, New York (the “District”) proposes to have the District undertake a capital improvement project consisting of alterations, renovations and improvements to the District’s school buildings and associated facilities, including improvements to the District’s Barker Road Middle School, Mendon High School, Calkins Road Middle School, Sutherland High School, Allen Creek Elementary School, Jefferson Road Elementary School, Mendon Center Elementary School, Park Road Elementary School, Thornell Road Elementary School, the District’s Transportation and Maintenance facility, the Lomb Building, outdoor playground facilities, site improvements for various school purposes, and other appurtenant and related improvements, and the acquisition and installation in and around the foregoing improvements of original furnishings, equipment, machinery, apparatus and technology improvements, and preliminary and incidental costs related thereto (collectively, the “Project”), all at a total estimated cost not to exceed \$69,822,169, with such cost being raised by the expenditure of \$14,000,000 from the District’s existing “Capital Project Reserve” capital reserve fund (said fund being established pursuant to a proposition approved by the qualified voters of the District on May 18, 2021), and with the balance thereof, not to exceed \$55,822,169, being raised by a tax upon the taxable property of the District to be levied and collected in annual installments as provided in Section 416 of the Education Law, with such tax to be offset by New York State aid available therefore, and in anticipation of such tax, by obligations of the District as may be necessary; and

WHEREAS, the Board, acting as lead agency under the State Environmental Quality Review Act and the regulations thereunder (“SEQRA”), by resolution adopted on January 17, 2023, immediately prior to the consideration of this resolution, determined that the actions to be undertaken as part of the Project constitute an “unlisted action” within the meaning of SEQRA and will not have a significant effect on the environment; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education now intends to schedule a special meeting of the qualified voters of the District to be held on March 28, 2023 for the purpose of voting on a proposition on whether to authorize the District to undertake the Project.

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NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THIS BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE PITTSFORD CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, MONROE AND ONTARIO COUNTIES, NEW YORK, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. A special meeting of the qualified voters of the Pittsford Central School District, Monroe and Ontario Counties, State of New York (the "District"), shall be held in the Barker Road Middle School Gym, 75 Barker Road, Pittsford, New York 14534, on March 28, 2023, at 7:00 a.m., with polls to be open between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m. for the purpose of voting upon the following proposition:

PROPOSITION NO. 1

Shall the Board of Education of the Pittsford Central School District, Monroe and Ontario Counties, New York (the "District") be authorized to undertake a capital improvement project consisting of alterations, renovations and improvements to the District's school buildings and associated facilities, including improvements to the District's Barker Road Middle School, Mendon High School, Calkins Road Middle School, Sutherland High School, Allen Creek Elementary School, Jefferson Road Elementary School, Mendon Center Elementary School, Park Road Elementary School, Thornell Road Elementary School, the District's Transportation and Maintenance facility, the Lomb Building, outdoor playground facilities, site improvements for various school purposes, and other appurtenant and related improvements, and the acquisition and installation in and around the foregoing improvements of original furnishings, equipment, machinery, apparatus and technology improvements, and preliminary and incidental costs related thereto; for a total aggregate maximum cost of \$69,822,169, with such cost being raised by the expenditure of \$14,000,000 from the District's existing "Capital Project Reserve" capital reserve fund (said fund being established pursuant to a proposition approved by the qualified voters of the District on May 18, 2021), and with the balance thereof, not to exceed \$55,822,169, being raised by a tax upon the taxable property of the District to be levied and collected in annual installments as provided in Section 416 of the Education Law, with such tax to be offset by State aid available therefore, and in anticipation of such tax, by obligations of the District as may be necessary; and

SECTION 2. Said special meeting shall be called by the publication of a notice of special meeting substantially in the form attached to this resolution as Exhibit A. The District Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to publish said notice of special meeting, in the manner required by law, in the *Daily Record* and the *Rochester Business Journal*, each a newspaper of general circulation within the District.

SECTION 3. Voting on the above referenced proposition shall be by ballot with the full text of such proposition appearing thereon.

SECTION 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to vote on a roll call, which resulted as follows.

AYES

NAYS

Ted Aroesty	_____
Robin Scott	_____
Dave Berk	_____
Jeffrey Casey	_____
Emily Kay	_____
Sarah Pelusio	_____
René Sanchez-Kazacos	_____

The resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted by a vote of 7 ayes and 0 nays.

6. Motion was made by Mrs. Pelusio, seconded by Mrs. Kay and carried regarding the following resolution: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves the adjournment of its Special Meeting at 7:41 p.m.
Vote: Unanimously carried

APPROVED:
ADJOURNMENT

Respectfully submitted,



Deborah L. Carpenter
School District Clerk