



November 5, 2024

Dear East Hampton Town Board and Ms. Brennan,

Last July, CCOM addressed the Town of East Hampton's continued progress on Chapter 255 amendments; it did so after Deputy Town Supervisor Cate Rogers' thorough review of steps already taken and also after an analysis by the Town's legal staff of the process. CCOM is excited that the Town has taken the next steps toward finalizing land use regulations that protect the environment - in accordance with CCOM's mission and priorities - by scheduling today's public hearing.

CCOM urges the Town Board to vote today to put the zoning changes into immediate effect in compliance with law. Zoning work is painstaking and deliberate, and CCOM recognizes that more work needs to be done. CCOM continues to emphasize robust and timely SEQRA review; CCOM also notes that it supports science-based zoning amendments that are protective of the environment and Montauk's precious resources.

After the Town Board votes to adopt the proposed zoning amendments today, CCOM urges the Town Board to keep the momentum going and looks forward to the Town continuing to hold work sessions and making additional zoning code changes as previously discussed by the Town Board -- most critically -- by addressing development and in particular house size through modification of the Gross Floor Area formula.

Thank you for your time,

CCCOM Board of Directors Executive Committee