



CITY OF WARWICK

FRANK J. PICOZZI, MAYOR

TO: Dan Geagan, Deputy Director
FROM: Jane Kenney Austin, Warwick Land Trust
DATE: October 31, 2023
RE: Abandonment of Flora Street (Unimproved)

Subject: Abandonment of Flora Street (Unimproved)

The Warwick Land Trust reviewed the information provided regarding the proposed abandonment of Flora Street at its October 26, 2023 meeting and offers the following comments and recommendations.

Factors considered and discussed by the Land Trust

- Coastal and wetland buffer preservation, floodplain location, water quality and stormwater management benefits of preserving forested area.
- Air quality and temperature moderation of the forested area on the adjoining neighborhood.
- Storm surge and coastal hazard mitigation benefits of forested buffer area for the adjoining neighborhood.
- Considerable commercial operations encroaching on residential properties and City street.
- Need to abide by the CRMC Greenwich Bay SAMP as well as federal and state environmental and coastal buffer regulations.

Warwick Land Trust Recommendation:

- Limited Partial abandonment of Flora Street to section within current boat storage area
- Designate as Open Space:
 - Remainder of Flora Street with restoration of disturbed areas
 - AP 359 Lots 297 - 303
 - AP 359 Lot 555 - most sensitive portions.

October 31, 2023

Date

Jane Kenney Austin (s)

Signature

Cc: Sue Cabeceiras, Planning Department

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