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May 4, 2026

Curtis Reynolds, Supervisor
Town of Santa Clara, NY
5359 State Route 30, Saranac Lake, NY 12983
SupervisorTOSCNY@gmail.com

**RE: Proposal for Town of Santa Clara, NY
2026 Post-Closure Landfill Monitoring
SDA Project No. 25-006**

Dear Supervisor Reynolds,

Suozzo, Doty & Associates Professional Engineering, PLLC (SDA) is pleased to present this proposal for the 2026 Post-Closure Landfill Sampling and Reporting.

PROJECT UNDERSTANDING

The Town of Santa Clara has a closed and capped municipal landfill that requires annual monitoring. SDA will provide post-closure monitoring of the Santa Clara Landfill in accordance with the NYS DEC-approved Post-Closure Monitoring and Maintenance Operations Manual, 6 NYCRR Part 360, the NYS DEC-approved Post-Closure I Variance, and the June 27, 2007 variance. The monitoring and reporting activities are summarized below, but by reference the Scope of Services shall be as described in Sections I – IV of the Post-Closure Monitoring and Maintenance Operations Manual.

SCOPE OF SERVICES

TASK 1: FIELD MONITORING & ANALYSIS

SDA will sample each of the four landfill monitoring wells for routine parameters in accordance with the Post-Closure Monitoring and Maintenance Operations Manual and the Post-Closure I Variance. Prior to sample collection in each well, the water elevation will be measured and recorded, and the well will be bailed to purge a minimum of three times the storage volume.

SDA will measure and record temperature, pH, dissolved oxygen, salinity, redox potential, turbidity and specific conductance at each well in the field at the time of sample collection. SDA will collect samples from each of the wells and submit them to a NYS DEC-approved (NYS DOH certified) laboratory for the analysis of Part 360 baseline parameters. As before, the laboratory will be running the low-level phenols procedure since the standard procedure detection limit is well above the groundwater standard. SDA will also collect one duplicate sample during each sampling event and submit them to the selected laboratory. In the event that a well is found to contain turbidity greater than 50 NTUs, SDA will collect an additional sample from the well, filter it in the field and submit the sample to the selected laboratory along with the standard samples for analysis of dissolved metals. All samples will be delivered to the selected laboratory on the day of collection.

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SDA will conduct the explosives gas survey using a slam bar probe and a portable gas detector. Readings will be taken along the perimeter of the landfill proper at a spacing of 100 feet or less. SDA will also measure the percentage of explosive gas emanating from each gas vent and each well. Gas vents will be tightly sealed with two layers of 3-4 mil plastic sheeting and duct tape for a minimum period of 24 hours prior to sampling. Gas vents will then be sampled by inserting the gas meter probe through a small hole in the plastic sheeting. The landfill cover will be inspected during gas monitoring for the presence of cracks or stressed vegetation indicative of escaped landfill gas. Readings will be taken from such areas and the CLIENT will be notified so that repairs can be made to the cap system. To the greatest extent possible, this monitoring will be conducted when the atmospheric pressure is below 29.92 inches of mercury and the ground surface has been wet for several days. If additional gas monitoring beyond that described above is required by the NYS DEC, it will be addressed under a separate billing agreement.

TASK 2: CAP SYSTEM INSPECTION

SDA will inspect the landfill cap during each monitoring event. Problem areas such as surface depressions, erosion channels, surface ponding, dead or distressed vegetation, slope instability, and leachate will be noted and reported to the CLIENT so that corrective measures may be taken.

SDA will also note the condition of each monitoring well and gas vent during each inspection. Problems will be reported to the CLIENT so that corrective measures may be taken.

TASK 3: REPORTING

SDA will prepare and submit an annual report to the CLIENT and the NYS DEC. The report will present the results of the annual well and gas monitoring in graphical, tabular and narrative form. The report will compare monitoring results to the State Water Quality Standards and will discuss any changes in monitoring well ground water quality that may have occurred during the year. Time plots of key leachate parameters will also be included.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FEE AND COMPENSATION

SDA will conduct the field sample collection and report preparation for a fixed fee of \$4,950.00.

In addition to the fixed fee amount, SDA will submit the following expenses for payment. These amounts are estimates. The actual amounts may change depending on actual costs and the number of additional filtered metal samples that are required.

Reimbursable Expense Estimates:

1. Laboratory Services (base level plus up to four filtered metals): \$2,817.50
2. Equipment Use Fee: \$180.00
3. Mileage: \$213.15
4. Consumables
 - a. Up to four PALL single-use filters for sampling (if needed): \$240.00
 - b. Miscellaneous field consumables (ice, distilled water): \$10.00

The total compensation for professional services and reimbursement of expenses is estimated at \$8,410.65.



BILLING RECORDS

SDA will invoice the CLIENT on a monthly basis based upon the estimated percentage of the total services completed and expenses incurred during the billing period.

ATTACHMENTS

We have attached a copy of our Standard Terms and Conditions and 2026 Rate Sheet.

CLOSING

We thank you for this opportunity to continue to work with the Town of Santa Clara! If you find this proposal acceptable, please execute where indicated on the following page. If you have any questions or if you need additional information, please feel free to call me directly at 518-323-5455. Thank you!

Sincerely,



Michael R. Martin, CLM
Senior Environmental Scientist

cc: Todd David, CEO, santaclaraceo@gmail.com



ENDORSEMENTS

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement, the Effective Date of which is indicated below.

**Engineer: Suozzo, Doty & Associates
Professional Engineering PLLC, (SDA)**

Client: Town of Santa Clara, NY

By: _____

By: _____

Print name: Kathleen A. Suozzo

Print name: _____

Title: Managing Principal

Title: _____

Date Signed: _____

Date Signed: _____

Address for SDA's receipt of notices:

Address for Client's receipt of notices:

P.O. Box 653, 4607 Lake Shore Drive

Bolton Landing, NY 12814

Email for SDA's receipt of notices:

Email for Client's receipt of notices:

ksuozzo@sdapllc.com



PART IV ENGINEER STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- 1) **STANDARD OF CARE** Services shall be performed in accordance with the standard of professional practice ordinarily exercised by the applicable profession at the time and within the locality where the Services are performed. Professional services are not subject to, and Engineer cannot provide, any warranty or guarantee, express or implied, including warranties or guarantees contained in any uniform commercial code.
- 2) **TECHNICAL ACCURACY** Client shall not be responsible for discovering deficiencies in the technical accuracy of Engineer's services. Engineer shall correct deficiencies in technical accuracy without additional compensation, unless such corrective action is directly attributable to deficiencies in Client-furnished information.
- 3) **CONSULTANTS** Engineer may retain such Consultants as Engineer deems necessary to assist in the performance or furnishing of the services, subject to reasonable, timely, and substantive objections by Client. Subject to the standard of care set forth in above, Engineer and its Consultants may use or rely upon design elements and information ordinarily or customarily furnished by others, including, but not limited to, specialty contractors, manufacturers, suppliers, and the publishers of technical standards.
- 4) **COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS, REGULATIONS, POLICIES, AND PROCEDURES** Engineer and Client shall comply with applicable Laws and Regulations. Engineer shall comply with any and all policies, procedures, and instructions of Client that are applicable to Engineer's performance of services under this Agreement and that Client provides to Engineer in writing, subject to the standard of care set forth above, and to the extent compliance is not inconsistent with professional practice requirements.

This Agreement is based on Laws and Regulations and Client-provided written policies and procedures as of the Effective Date. The following may be the basis for modifications to Client's responsibilities or to Engineer's scope of services, times of performance, or compensation: (1) changes after the Effective Date to Laws and Regulations; (2) the receipt by Engineer after the Effective Date of Client-provided written policies and procedures; (3) changes after the Effective Date to Client-provided written policies or procedures.

Engineer shall not be required to sign any document, no matter by whom requested, that would result in the Engineer having to certify, guarantee, or warrant the existence of conditions whose existence the Engineer cannot ascertain. Client agrees not to make resolution of any dispute with the Engineer or payment of any amount due to the Engineer in any way contingent upon the Engineer signing any such document.

Engineer is not required to provide and does not have any responsibility for surety bonding or insurance-related advice, recommendations, counseling, or research, or enforcement of construction insurance or surety bonding requirements. Engineer's services do not include providing legal advice or representation.

- 5) **CHANGE OF SCOPE** The scope of Services set forth in this Agreement is based on facts known at the time of execution of this Agreement, including, if applicable, information supplied by the Client. For some projects involving conceptual or process development services, scope may not be fully definable during initial phases. As the Project progresses, facts discovered may indicate that scope must be redefined.
- 6) **SAFETY** Engineer has established and maintains corporate programs and procedures for the safety of its employees. Unless specifically included as a service to be provided under this Agreement, Engineer specifically disclaims any authority or responsibility for general job site safety and

safety of persons other than Engineer employees.

While at the Site, Engineer, its Consultants, and their employees and representatives shall comply with the applicable requirements of Contractor's and Client's safety programs of which Engineer has been informed in writing.

- 7) **DELAYS** If events beyond the control of Client or Engineer, including, but not limited to, fire, flood, explosion, riot, strike, war, process shutdown, act of God or the public enemy, and act or regulation of any government agency, result in delay to any schedule established in this Agreement, such schedule shall be amended to the extent necessary to compensate for such delay. In the event such delay exceeds 60 days, Engineer shall be entitled to an equitable adjustment in compensation.
- 8) **TERMINATION/SUSPENSION** Either party may terminate this Agreement upon 30 days written notice to the other party. Client shall pay Engineer for all Services, rendered prior to termination, plus any expenses of termination.

In the event either party defaults in its obligations under this Agreement (including Client's obligation to make the payments required hereunder), the non-defaulting party may, after 7 days written notice stating its intention to suspend performance under the Agreement if cure of such default is not commenced and diligently continued, and failure of the defaulting party to commence cure within such time limit and diligently continue, suspend performance under this Agreement.

- 9) **OPINIONS OF CONSTRUCTION COSTS** Any opinion of construction costs prepared by Engineer is supplied for the general guidance of the Client only. Since Engineer has no control over competitive bidding or market conditions, Engineer cannot guarantee the accuracy of such opinions as compared to contract bids or actual costs to Client.
- 10) **RELATIONSHIP WITH CONTRACTORS** Engineer shall serve as Client's professional representative for the Services and may make recommendations to Client concerning actions relating to Client's other subcontractors, but Engineer specifically disclaims any authority to direct or supervise the means, methods, techniques, sequences or procedures of construction selected by Client.

Engineer shall not at any time supervise, direct, control, or have authority over any of the Client's subcontractors work, nor shall Engineer have authority over or be responsible for the means, methods, techniques, sequences, or procedures of construction selected or used by any Contractor for the Project, or the safety precautions and programs incident thereto, for security or safety at the Site, nor for any failure of a Contractor to comply with Laws and Regulations applicable to that Contractor's furnishing and performing of its work. Engineer shall not be responsible for the acts or omissions of any Client, Client's subcontractor, and/or Owner's Contractor.

Engineer neither guarantees the performance of any Contractor nor assumes responsibility for any Contractor's, failure to furnish and perform the Work in accordance with the Construction Contract Documents.

- 11) **CONSTRUCTION REVIEW** For projects involving construction, Client acknowledges that under generally accepted professional practice, interpretations of construction documents in the field are normally required, and that performance of construction-related services by the design professional for the project permits errors or omissions to be identified and corrected at comparatively low cost. Client agrees to hold Engineer harmless from any claims resulting from performance of construction-related services by persons other than Engineer.



Engineer shall not be responsible for any decision made regarding the Construction Contract Documents, or any application, interpretation, clarification, or modification of the Construction Contract Documents, other than those made by Engineer or its Consultants.

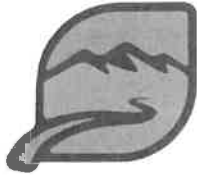
- 12) **INSURANCE** Engineer will maintain insurance coverage for Professional, Comprehensive General, Automobile, Worker's Compensation, and Employer's Liability in amounts in accordance with legal, and Engineer's business requirements. Certificates evidencing such coverage will be provided to Client upon request. For all projects the Client agrees to make the Engineer as an additional insured on its policies related to the project. For projects involving construction, Client agrees to require the Owner's construction contractor, if any, to include Engineer as an additional insured on its policies relating to the Project. Engineer's coverages referenced above shall, in such case, be excess over Client's or Owner's Contractor's primary coverage.
- 13) **HAZARDOUS MATERIALS** Hazardous materials may exist at a site where there is no reason to believe they could or should be present. Engineer and Client agree that the discovery of unanticipated hazardous materials constitutes a changed condition mandating a renegotiation of the scope of work. Engineer agrees to notify Client as soon as practically possible should unanticipated hazardous materials or suspected hazardous materials be encountered. Client acknowledges and agrees that it shall report to the appropriate federal, state or local public agencies, as required, any conditions at the site that may present a potential danger to the public health, safety or the environment. Client shall make provisions for, or have existing agreements with Owner to execute any manifests or forms in connection with transportation, storage and disposal of hazardous materials resulting from the site or work on the site or shall authorize Engineer to execute such documents as Client's agent. Client waives any claim against Engineer and agrees to defend, indemnify, and save Engineer harmless from any claim or liability for injury or loss arising from Engineer's discovery of unanticipated hazardous materials or suspected hazardous materials.
- 14) **INDEMNITIES** To the fullest extent permitted by law, Client and Engineer each agree to indemnify and hold the other harmless, and their respective officers, employees, agents, and representatives, from and against liability for all claims, losses, damages, and expenses, including reasonable attorneys fees, to the extent such claims, losses, damages, or expenses are caused by the indemnifying party's negligent acts, errors, or omissions. In the event claims, losses, damages or expenses are caused by the joint or concurrent negligence of Client and Engineer, they shall be borne by each party in proportion to its negligence.
- 15) **LIMITATIONS OF LIABILITY** No employee or agent of Engineer shall have individual liability to Client, Owner, or Project Contractor. Client agrees that, to the fullest extent permitted by law, Engineer's total liability to Client for any and all injuries, claims, losses, expenses or damages whatsoever arising out of or in any way related to the Project or this Agreement from any causes including, but not limited to, Engineer's negligence, errors, omissions, strict liability, or breach of contract and whether claimed directly or by way of contribution shall not exceed the total compensation received by ENGINEER under this Agreement ~~or [alternative, in effect if strike through not in place] shall be limited in the aggregate to the amount of Engineer's insurance or if Client desires a limit of liability greater than that provided above, Client and Engineer shall include as an attachment to this Agreement the amount of such limit and the additional compensation to be paid to Engineer for assumption of such additional risk.~~
- IN NO EVENT AND UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES SHALL ENGINEER BE LIABLE TO CLIENT FOR CONSEQUENTIAL, INCIDENTAL, INDIRECT, SPECIAL, OR PUNITIVE DAMAGES.
- 16) **ACCESS** Client shall provide Engineer safe access to any premises

necessary for Engineer to provide the Services.

- 17) **REUSE OF PROJECT DELIVERABLES** Reuse of any documents or other deliverables, including electronic media, pertaining to the Project by Client for any purpose other than that for which such documents or deliverables were originally prepared, or alteration of such documents or deliverables without written verification or adaptation by Engineer for the specific purpose intended, shall be at the Client's risk. Further, all title blocks and the Engineer's seal, if applicable, shall be removed if and when Client provides deliverables in electronic media to another entity. Client agrees that relevant analyses, findings and reports provided in electronic media shall also be provided in "hard copy" and that the hard copy shall govern in the case of a discrepancy between the two versions, and shall be held as the official set of drawings, as signed and sealed. Client shall be afforded a period of 30 days in which to check the hard copy against the electronic media. In the event that any error or inconsistency is found as a result of this process, Engineer shall be advised and the inconsistency shall be corrected at no additional cost to Client. Following the expiration of this 30-day period, Client shall bear all responsibility for the care, custody and control of the electronic media. In addition, Client represents that it shall retain the necessary mechanisms to read the electronic media, which Client acknowledges to be of only limited duration. Client agrees to defend, indemnify, and hold harmless Engineer from all claims, damages, and expenses, (including reasonable litigation costs), arising out of such reuse or alteration by Client or others acting through Client.
- All Documents are instruments of service, and Engineer shall retain an ownership and property interest therein (including the copyright and the right of reuse at the discretion of the Engineer) whether or not the Project is completed.
- 18) **RECORDS RETENTION** Engineer shall maintain on file in legible form, for a period of three years following completion or termination of its services, all Documents, records (including cost records), and design calculations related to Engineer's services or pertinent to Engineer's performance under this Agreement. Upon Client's request, Engineer shall provide a copy of any such item to Client at cost.
- 19) **PROPRIETARY INFORMATION** Information relating to the Project, unless in the public domain, shall be kept confidential by Client and Engineer and shall not be made available to third parties without written consent of the other party.
- 20) **INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR** Engineer is an independent Contractor and will maintain complete control of and responsibility for its employees, agents, methods, and operations. Nothing contained in this Agreement will create any contractual relationship between The Owner and Engineer.
- 21) **AMENDMENT** This Agreement, upon execution by both parties hereto, can be amended only by a written instrument signed by both parties.
- 22) **ASSIGNMENT** Except for assignments (a) to entities which control, or are controlled by, the parties hereto or (b) resulting from operation of law, the rights and obligations of this Agreement cannot be assigned by either party without written permission of the other party. This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of any permitted assigns.
- 23) **STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS** To the fullest extent permitted by law, parties agree that, except for claims for indemnification, the time period for bringing claims under this Agreement shall expire one year after Project completion.
- 24) **DISPUTE RESOLUTION** Parties shall attempt to settle disputes arising under this agreement by discussion between the parties senior representatives of management. If any dispute cannot be resolved in this manner, within a reasonable length of time, parties agree to attempt non-binding mediation or any other method of alternative dispute resolution prior to filing any legal proceedings.



- 25) **NO WAIVER** No waiver by either party of any default by the other party in the performance of any particular section of this Agreement shall invalidate any other section of this Agreement or operate as a waiver of any future default, whether like or different in character.
- 26) **NO THIRD-PARTY BENEFICIARY** Nothing contained in this Agreement, nor the performance of the parties hereunder, is intended to benefit, nor shall inure to the benefit of, any third party, including Client's contractors, if any.
- 27) **SEVERABILITY** The various terms, provisions and covenants herein contained shall be deemed to be separate and severable, and the invalidity or unenforceability of any of them shall not affect or impair the validity or enforceability of the remainder.
- 28) **AUTHORITY** The persons signing this Agreement warrant that they have the authority to sign as, or on behalf of, the party for whom they are signing.
- 29) **CONTROLLING LAW** This Agreement is to be governed by the Laws and Regulations of the state in which the Project is located.
- 30) **NOTICES** Any notice required under this Agreement will be in writing, addressed to the appropriate party at its address on the signature page and given personally, by registered or certified mail postage prepaid, or by a commercial courier service. All notices shall be effective upon the date of receipt. Email notices shall be sent to the addresses listed on the signature page of the agreement.
- 31) **SURVIVAL** All express representations, waivers, indemnifications, and limitations of liability included in this Agreement will survive its completion or termination for any reason.
- 32) **ACCRUAL OF CLAIMS** To the fullest extent permitted by Laws and Regulations, all causes of action arising under this Agreement shall be deemed to have accrued, and all statutory periods of limitation shall commence, no later than the date of Substantial Completion.
- 33) **ENTIRE AGREEMENT, ATTACHMENTS, AND WRITTEN AMENDMENTS** This Agreement, including the Attachments hereto and all Change Orders, contain the entire agreement among the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof; all representations, promises and prior or contemporaneous understandings among the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof are merged into and expressed in this instrument and such documents; and any and all prior agreements among the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof are hereby terminated and canceled. This Agreement may be amended only by an instrument in writing duly signed by or on behalf of the parties hereto.
- 34) **COMPENSATION** Engineer will prepare and submit invoices to the Client on a monthly basis. Client shall make payment to the Engineer within 30 calendar days of the date of the invoice.
- 35) **ADDITIONAL SERVICES** Additional services can be provided if deemed necessary and approved by the Client. Compensation for additional services can be negotiated as needed. Additional work will be approved by the Client prior to the execution of the additional tasks.
- Services not indicated or included in the above-listed scope of services or which are subsequently requested, either verbally or in writing, will be considered additional services. The fee will be based upon either a mutually agreed fixed fee or an hourly basis at rates in effect at the time the services are performed, plus subcontracts and reimbursable expenses as outlined in the Rate Schedule for the year in which the work is being performed.



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PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING, PLLC

2026 DISCOUNTED BILLING RATE SCHEDULE

Hourly Rate Schedule

(Subject to change after December 31, 2026. Rates will be applied per firm's employee within the ranges shown.)

Classification	Billing Rate
Principal	\$170 - \$205
Senior Project Engineer	\$170 - \$195
Senior Environmental Scientist	\$185
Project Engineer	\$125 - \$150
Construction Observer	\$105 - \$160
Assistant Project Engineer	\$105 - \$125
Engineering Technician/CADD Technician	\$105 - \$150
Office Administrator	\$85

*Special rates apply to expert witness services. Rates are available if services are requested.

Equipment Rental

Open Channel Flow Meter	\$1,350/Month + Labor
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Reimbursable Expenses

The following will be billed at cost + 15% administrative expense:

- Subconsultants (Professional Services)
- Vendors (Direct Services)
- Research Fees
- Laboratory Testing
- Special Materials, Services & Equipment
- Outsourced Printing/Reprographic Costs

Administrative Expenses

First Class Mail	At Cost
Overnight or Express Mail, Bulk Shipping	At Cost

Travel Related Expenses

Mileage	@ IRS Rate
Lodging Expense	max. \$226 for high-cost localities max. \$140 for low-cost localities
Meals & Incidentals	\$71 per day for high-cost localities \$61 per day for low-cost localities

Reproduction Expenses (in-house)

(Reproduction expenses shall apply for additional materials requested by Owner beyond Scope of Services.)

B&W – 8.5" x 11" @ \$0.50/copy

Full Size Color – 11" x 17" @ 1.50/copy

Full Size Color – 8.5" x 11" @ \$0.70/copy

Prints (Black)– 24" x 36" @\$5/copy

B&W – 11" x 17" @ \$1.00/copy

Full Color Prints – 24" x 36" @\$8/copy

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TOWN OF SANTA CLARA LOCAL LAW NO. ____ of 2026

PARTIAL REAL PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS FOR VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS AND VOLUNTEER AMBULANCE WORKERS PURSUANT TO NYS REAL PROPERTY TAX LAW § 466-a

Be it enacted by the Town Board of the Town of Santa Clara that the Town Code is hereby amended by adding this Local Law # ____ of 2026, as follows:

Section 1. Purpose. The Town Board finds that volunteer firefighters and volunteer ambulance workers provide essential emergency services to our community and that it is in the best interests of the Town of Santa Clara to encourage this exceptional volunteerism. The Board further finds that providing partial real property tax exemptions to qualified workers would be an incentive to attract new volunteers and help combat an alarming decline in the number of volunteers serving as active responders to fire and medical emergencies. This Local Law adopts the real property tax exemptions as provided for volunteer firefighters and volunteer ambulance workers under NYS Real Property Tax Law Section 466-a.

Section 2. Partial Real Property Tax Exemption. A primary residence property owned by an active enrolled member in good standing of an incorporated volunteer fire company, fire department or incorporated voluntary ambulance service or such enrolled member and spouse, residing in the Town, shall, upon confirmation of eligibility, be entitled to a partial exemption from taxation to an extent of five percent (5%) or ten percent (10%), as hereinafter set forth, of the assessed value of such property for Town purposes, exclusive of special assessments.

Section 3. Qualifications. Such exemption shall only be granted to an enrolled member of an incorporated volunteer fire company, fire department or incorporated voluntary ambulance services if:

- (a) the applicant resides in the Town of Santa Clara and is an active member in good standing of an incorporated volunteer fire company or fire department or incorporated voluntary ambulance service which provides service within the Town.
- (b) the real property which is the subject of such exemption is the primary residence of the applicant.
- (c) the real property is used exclusively for residential purposes; provided however, that in the event any portion of such property is not used exclusively for the applicant's residence but is used for other purposes, such portion shall be subject to taxation at its full assessed value and the remaining portion only, serving as the primary residence of the applicant, shall be entitled to the exemption provided by this Local Law.
- (d) the applicant has been certified, as provided in Section 4, by the authority having jurisdiction for the incorporated volunteer fire company or fire department, confirming that the applicant has been an enrolled active member in good standing of such incorporated volunteer fire company or fire department for at least two years, or the applicant has been certified by the authority having jurisdiction for the incorporated voluntary ambulance service as an enrolled active member in good standing of such incorporated voluntary ambulance service for at least two years.

Section 4. Certification That Applicant Satisfies Initial Eligibility Requirements And Continuing Eligibility Requirements, As Applicable. For each applicant seeking a partial exemption under this Local Law, the authority having jurisdiction for the incorporated volunteer fire company or fire department, or the incorporated voluntary ambulance service, of which such applicant is a member, shall certify in writing to the Town Assessor as to whether such applicant is in fact an active member in good standing thereof, the date on which the applicant became a member thereof, and the number of complete, continuous years the applicant has been an active member in good standing. Such authority shall provide re-certification of the applicant's active membership in good standing upon request of the Town Assessor to confirm the applicant's continuing eligibility for the exemptions provided for hereunder.

Section 5 Partial Exemptions to be Provided.

- A) Upon proper certification or re-certification, as applicable, under Section 4 above, applicants with at least two and as many as ten complete years of active membership in good standing shall be entitled to a partial exemption equal to five percent (5%) of the assessed value of the real property which is the primary residence of the applicant, and as otherwise in accordance with NYS Real Property Tax Law §466-a.
- B) Upon proper certification or re-certification, as applicable, under Section 4 above, applicants with eleven or more complete years of active membership in good standing shall be entitled to a partial exemption equal to ten percent (10%) of the assessed value of the real property which is the primary residence of the applicant, and as otherwise in accordance with NYS Real Property Tax Law §466-a.

Section 6. Active Members for Twenty Years or More. Any enrolled member of an incorporated volunteer fire company, fire department or incorporated voluntary ambulance service who accrues twenty or more continuous years as an active member in good standing, and is so certified by the authority having jurisdiction for the incorporated volunteer fire company, fire department or incorporated voluntary ambulance service, shall be granted a ten percent (10%) exemption, as otherwise set forth in Section 5(B) above, for the remainder of his or her life as long as his or her primary residence is located within the Town.

Section 7. Un-remarried Surviving Spouses of Volunteers killed in the line of duty. An un-remarried spouse of a volunteer firefighter or volunteer ambulance worker killed in the line of duty may receive the same partial real property tax exemption which the volunteer received while alive if:

- (a) Such un-remarried spouse is certified by the authority having jurisdiction for the incorporated volunteer fire company, fire department or incorporated voluntary ambulance service as an un-remarried spouse of a member of such incorporated volunteer fire company, fire department or incorporated volunteer ambulance service who was an active member thereof in good standing at the time of death and was killed in the line of duty; and
 - (b) Such deceased volunteer had been an active member in good standing for at least five years; and
 - (c) Such deceased volunteer had been receiving the partial exemption prior to his or her death.
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Section 8. Honorary Members and/or Un-remarried Surviving Spouses of Volunteers with at least Twenty Years of Service. An Honorary Member and/or un-remarried surviving spouse of a volunteer firefighter or volunteer ambulance worker with twenty or more years of membership in good standing at the time of death may receive a partial exemption equal to ten percent (10%) of the assessed value of the real property which is the primary residence of the Honorary Member and/or un-remarried surviving spouse if:

- (a) Such un-remarried spouse is certified by the authority having jurisdiction for the incorporated volunteer fire company, fire department or incorporated voluntary ambulance service as an un-remarried spouse of a member of such incorporated volunteer fire company, fire department or incorporated volunteer ambulance service, who was an active member thereof in good standing at the time of death and who was killed in the line of duty.
- (b) Such deceased volunteer had been an active member in good standing for at least twenty years.
- (c) Such deceased volunteer and un-remarried spouse had been receiving the exemption of such property prior to the death of such member.

A lifetime exemption may be provided to honorary members and or unremarried surviving spouses of eligible volunteers to retain the exemption as long as they maintain their primary residence in the Town that the eligible volunteer served and, if and as applicable, remain un-remarried.

Section 9. Application Process.

- (a) An application for any exemption provided for under this Local Law shall be filed with the Town Assessor on or before the taxable status date on a form as prescribed by the New York State Commissioner for the Office of Real Property Tax Services.
- (b) The Town Assessor shall be provided with the certification, as defined in Section 4 hereof, and file a copy of such certification prior to granting any exemption provided for by this Local Law.

Section 10. Changes to Assessment Rolls. The Town Assessor is hereby authorized and directed to make any revisions to the Town's Assessment Rolls that are necessary and consistent with the partial exemptions granted by this Local Law.

Section 11. No Reduction of Current Benefits. No applicant who is a volunteer firefighter or volunteer ambulance worker who by reason of such status is receiving any benefit under the provisions of law on the effective date of this Local Law shall suffer any diminution of such benefit because of the provisions of this Local Law.

Section 12. Enactment and Effective Date. This Local Law is enacted in accordance with Section 10 of the New York State Municipal Home Rule Law and New York State Real Property Tax Law Section 466-a. This Local Law shall take effect upon its filing by the NYS Secretary of State and shall apply to assessment rolls prepared on the basis of taxable status dates on or after December 31, 2026.

RESOLUTION No.:
INTRODUCED BY:
SECONDED BY:
DATE:

**RESOLUTION SCHEDULING PUBLIC HEARING ON A PROPOSED
LOCAL LAW TO AUTHORIZE PARTIAL REAL PROPERTY TAX
EXEMPTIONS FOR VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS AND VOLUNTEER
AMBULANCE WORKERS PURSUANT TO NYS REAL PROPERTY
TAX LAW SECTION 466-a**

WHEREAS, The Town Board believes it would be prudent and beneficial for the Town to provide partial property tax exemptions to volunteer firefighters and volunteer ambulance workers who meet certain eligibility requirements for such exemptions, consistent with New York State Real Property Tax Law Section 466-a, and

WHEREAS, the Town Board directed Town Counsel to prepare a draft of a Local Law for the Board's use in enacting such partial property tax exemptions, and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has reviewed the draft Local Law from Town Counsel and wishes to move forward with the process to adopt it in order to provide for such partial property tax exemptions, and

WHEREAS, a Public Hearing is required prior to adoption of such a Local Law,

**NOW, THEREFORE, THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF SANTA CLARA
HEREBY RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:**

1. The Town Board shall meet on June ____ 2026, at _____ PM to hold a Public Hearing to hear all people who are interested in the proposed Local Law as described above. The Town Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to publish a Notice of Public Hearing in the Town's official newspaper, the Adirondack Daily Enterprise, not less than ten (10) calendar days before the date of the Public Hearing and to make a copy of the proposed Local Law available for public inspection during regular business hours and to provide a copy of the proposed Local Law at no charge to anyone who requests it.

2. The Town Board hereby determines that the adoption of the proposed Local Law would be a Type 2 Action under the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) and would therefore not be subject to environmental review, and preparation of an Environmental Assessment Form is therefore not required.

3. The Town Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to to cause written notice of the Public Hearing on the proposed Local Law to be given as may be required pursuant to New York State law, and to make any referrals and provide any other notices with respect to the proposed Local Law as may be recommended by Town Counsel.

4. Town Counsel is hereby authorized and directed to assist the Town Clerk and Town Board with the preparation and/or review of any and all documents necessary for the adoption of the proposed Local Law and to otherwise advise and assist Town officials in the process of adopting the proposed Local Law.

5. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

The question of the adoption of this Resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call which resulted as follows:

ROLL CALL:

AYES:

NAYS:

ABSENT:

AYES:_____

NAYS:_____

ABSENT:_____

The Resolution was declared duly adopted by the Town Board this ____ day of May, 2026.

TOWN OF SANTA CLARA 2026 BUDGET

Accounts	Code	Budget 2026	Adj.	Adjusted Budget	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Remaining Balance	YTD Total
ELECTIONS																		
Personal Services	A1450.1	0.00		0.00													0.00	0.00
Equipment	A1450.2	0.00		0.00													0.00	0.00
Contractual Exp.	A1450.4	0.00		0.00													0.00	0.00
TOTAL		0.00		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
BOARD OF ETHICS																		
Personal Services	A1470.1	0.00		0.00													0.00	0.00
Equipment	A1470.2	0.00		0.00													0.00	0.00
Brd Ethics CE	A1460.4	0.00		0.00													0.00	0.00
TOTAL		0.00		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
BUILDINGS																		
Personal Services	A1620.1	0.00		0.00		40,937.26	5,820.41	12,872.25									0.00	0.00
Equipment	A1620.2	50,000.00		50,000.00	8,772.74	11,379.16	5,820.41	12,872.25									9,062.74	40,937.26
Contractual Exp.	A1620.4	90,000.00		90,000.00	8,772.74	52,316.42	5,820.41	12,872.25									51,155.44	38,844.56
TOTAL		140,000.00		140,000.00	8,772.74	52,316.42	5,820.41	12,872.25	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	60,218.18	79,781.82
CENTRAL PRINTING AND MAILING																		
Personal Services	A1670.1	0.00		0.00													0.00	0.00
Equipment	A1670.2	0.00		0.00													0.00	0.00
Contractual Exp.	A1670.4	3,000.00		3,000.00	275.35	97.79	45.47	176.43									2,404.96	595.04
TOTAL		3,000.00		3,000.00	275.35	97.79	45.47	176.43	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,404.96	595.04
BALANCE																		
SPECIAL ITEMS	A1888.4	0.00																
Unallocated Inrs.	A1910.4	16,000.00		16,000.00	22,172.00												-6,172.00	22,172.00
Municipal Assn Dues	A1920.4	1,800.00		1,800.00	1,250.00	350.00											200.00	1,600.00
Judgments & Claims	A1930.4	0.00		0.00													0.00	0.00
Contingent	A1990.4	71,000.00		71,000.00													71,000.00	0.00
TOTAL		88,800.00		88,800.00	23,422.00	350.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	65,028.00	23,772.00
TOTAL GENERAL GOVT. SUPPORT																		
		347,852.00		347,852.00	42,120.28	61,457.71	15,741.27	23,950.18	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	204,582.56	143,289.44
PUBLIC SAFETY																		
ADMINISTRATION																		
Personal Services	A3010.1	0.00		0.00													0.00	0.00
Equipment	A3010.2	0.00		0.00													0.00	0.00
Contractual Exp.	A3010.4	2,000.00		2,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,000.00	0.00
TOTAL		2,000.00		2,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,000.00	0.00
CONTROL OF DOGS																		
Personal Services	A3510.1	0.00		0.00													0.00	0.00
Equipment	A3510.2	0.00		0.00													0.00	0.00
Contractual Exp.	A3510.4	1,500.00		1,500.00	940.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	560.00	940.00
TOTAL		1,500.00		1,500.00	940.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	560.00	940.00
SAFETY INSPECTION																		
Personal Services	A3620.1	0.00		0.00													0.00	0.00
STR Program	A3620.2	0.00		0.00													0.00	0.00
Contractual Exp.	A3620.4	45,000.00		45,000.00	3,025.00	4,154.62	3,100.00	9,307.65									25,412.73	19,587.27
TOTAL		45,000.00		45,000.00	3,025.00	4,154.62	3,100.00	9,307.65	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	25,412.73	19,587.27
TOTAL PUBLIC SAFETY																		
		48,500.00		48,500.00	3,965.00	4,154.62	3,100.00	9,307.65	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	27,972.73	20,527.27

Accounts	Code	Budget 2026	Adj.	Adjusted Budget	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Remaining Balance	YTD Total
DEPARTMENTAL INCOME																		
Clerk Fees	A1265	1,000.00		1,000.00	64.00		28.00										908.00	92.00
Tax Services for Other		0.00		0.00													0.00	0.00
Governments (STAR) A2210		0.00		0.00													0.00	0.00
Serv. For other Govts A2300		0.00		0.00													0.00	0.00
USE OF MONEY & PROPERTY																		
Interest & Earnings	A2401	46,667.00		46,667.00	5,086.67	4,731.96	5,027.35										31,821.02	14,845.98
Rental Real Prop	A2410	100.00		100.00													100.00	0.00
LICENSES & PERMITS																		
Dog Licenses	A2544	20.00		20.00													20.00	0.00
Permits, Other	A2560	25,000.00		25,000.00	150.00		1,410.00										23,440.00	1,560.00
FINES & FORFEITURES																		
Fines & Forf. Bail	A2610	1,500.00		1,500.00	-291.00	30.00	30.00										1,731.00	-231.00
MISCELLANEOUS																		
Planting Board	A2115	1,500.00		1,500.00													1,500.00	0.00
Gifts & Donations	A2705	1,000.00		1,000.00													1,000.00	0.00
Misc Revenue	A2770	500.00		500.00		287.50	287.50										-75.00	575.00
STATE AID																		
Per Capita	A3001	0.00		0.00													0.00	0.00
Mortgage Tax	A3005	15,000.00		15,000.00													15,000.00	0.00
Slurpge	A2770	0.00		0.00													0.00	0.00
State Grant	A3006	0.00		0.00													0.00	0.00
STR FEES	A2770	23,000.00		23,000.00	600.00		2,700.00	3,000.00									16,700.00	6,300.00
NYSEDA																		
TOTAL		118,287.00	0.00	118,287.00	5,609.67	5,049.46	9,482.85	3,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	96,145.02	23,141.98
UNEXPENDED BALANCE		1,488,325.00		#####													1,488,325.00	0.00
TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUE		2,014,580.00	0.00	#####	255,609.67	162,997.46	9,482.85	3,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,583,470.02	431,089.98
HIGHWAY APPROPRIATIONS - TOWNWIDE																		
INSURANCE																		
	DA1910.4	21,000.00		21,000.00	27,351.58												-6,351.58	27,351.58
GENERAL REPAIRS																		
Personal Services	DA5110.1	68,548.00		68,548.00		807.74	1,583.19	1,006.54									68,548.00	0.00
Contractual Exp.	DA5110.4	32,000.00		32,000.00	0.00	807.74	1,583.19	1,006.54									28,208.33	3,397.47
TOTAL		100,548.00		100,548.00	0.00	807.74	1,583.19	1,006.54	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	96,756.33	3,397.47
IMPROVEMENTS																		
Capital Outlay	DA5112.2	82,500.00		82,500.00													82,500.00	0.00
BRIDGES																		
Personal Services	DA5120.1	0.00		0.00													0.00	0.00
Capital Outlay	DA5120.2	3,100.00		3,100.00													3,100.00	0.00
Contractual Exp.	DA5120.4	0.00		0.00													0.00	0.00
TOTAL		3,100.00		3,100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,100.00	0.00
MACHINERY																		
Personal Services	DA5130.1	5,000.00		5,000.00													5,000.00	0.00
Capital Outlay	DA5130.2	250,000.00		250,000.00	254.32	246.44	187.97	475.06									250,000.00	0.00
Contractual Exp.	DA5130.4	24,000.00		24,000.00													22,836.21	1,163.79
TOTAL		279,000.00		279,000.00	254.32	246.44	187.97	475.06	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	277,836.21	1,163.79

Accounts	Code	Budget	Adj	Adjusted	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Remaining	YTD Total
		2026		Budget													Balance	
MISCELLANEOUS (BRUSH & WEEDS)																		
Personal Services	DA5140.1	0.00		0.00													0.00	0.00
Contractual Exp.	DA5140.4	0.00		0.00													0.00	0.00
TOTAL		0.00		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
SNOW REMOVAL (TOWN HIGHWAYS)																		
Personal Services	DA5142.1	78,000.00		78,000.00	12,969.08	11,188.88	11,586.05	9,763.22									32,492.77	45,507.23
Contractual Exp.	DA5142.4	80,000.00		80,000.00	14,490.11	22,744.74	4,468.11	2,277.86									36,019.18	43,980.82
TOTAL		158,000.00		158,000.00	27,459.19	33,933.62	16,054.16	12,041.08	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	68,511.95	89,488.05
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS																		
State Retirement	DA9010.8	19,864.00		19,864.00													0.00	19,864.00
Social Security	DA9030.8	11,211.00		11,211.00	992.13	855.96	886.33	746.88									7,729.70	3,481.30
Workers Comp	DA9040.8	12,734.00		12,734.00	7319.00												5,415.00	7,319.00
Capital Proj Fund	DA9050.9	10,000.00		10,000.00													10,000.00	0.00
Unemployment Ins.	DA9050.8	1,000.00		1,000.00				546.00									454.00	546.00
Disability Insurance	DA9055.8	100.00		100.00													100.00	0.00
Hosp. & Med. Ins.	DA9060.8	26,100.00		26,100.00	2,864.94	2,058.34	2,058.34	2,058.34									17,260.04	8,839.96
TOTAL		81,009.00		81,009.00	30,840.07	2,914.30	2,944.67	3,351.22	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	40,958.74	40,050.26
DEBT SERVICE PRINCIPAL																		
Statutory Bonds	DA9720.6	0.00		0.00													0.00	0.00
INTEREST																		
Statutory Bonds	DA9720.7	0.00		0.00													0.00	0.00
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS AND OTHER USES		725,157.00		725,157.00	85,905.16	37,902.10	20,789.99	16,873.90	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	563,311.65	161,451.15
HIGHWAY REVENUE - TOWNWIDE																		
Taxes - Property		625,657.00		625,657.00	500,000.00	126,657.00											-1,000.00	626,657.00
LOCAL SOURCES																		
Services for Other Governments	DA2300	5,500.00		5,500.00													-500.00	6,000.00
Interest & Earnings	DA2401	18,000.00		18,000.00	261.83	238.64	282.40	254.04									16,983.09	1,016.91
Scrap Sale	DA2650	1,000.00		1,000.00													1,000.00	0.00
Misc. Revenue	DA2770	0.00		0.00			225.00										-225.00	225.00
STATE AID																		
Consolidated Highway	DA3501	75,000.00		75,000.00													75,000.00	0.00
FEDERAL AID																		
DISASTER AID	DA3960	0.00		0.00													0.00	0.00
FEMA	DA4960	0.00		0.00													0.00	0.00
TOTAL		99,500.00	0.00	99,500.00	261.83	238.64	6,487.40	254.04	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	92,258.09	7,241.91
UNEXPENDED BALANCE		0.00		0.00													0.00	167,948.00
CAP OUTLAY-MACHINE RSV.		0.00		0.00													0.00	0.00
TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUE		725,157.00	0.00	725,157.00	500,261.83	126,895.64	6,487.40	254.04	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	91,258.09	801,846.91

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Town of Santa Clara Short Term Rental Permits

STR #	Primary Owner	Location	Type, Units and Bedrooms	Tax Map #	Date	STR Fee	Primary Contact
24-13	William Wooters	63 Edgewater Lane	1 Unit 4 Bedrooms	442.2-7-5	5/3/24	\$700.00	William Wooters
24-15	5183 State Route 30 LLC	5183 State Route 30	1 Unit 3 Bedrooms	422.2-2-28	5/24/24	\$600.00	James Sonneborn
24-17	Janet & Lorin Sodell	116 Fish Creek Park	1 Unit 1 Bedroom	453.3-8-6	5/30/24	\$400.00	Janet & Lorin Sodell
24-18	David & Rita Ellertson	804 Bartlett Carry Rd.	1 Unit 3 Bedrooms	463.-3-38	6/5/24	\$600.00	David & Rita Ellertson
24-19	Three Trees Camp LLC	1 Dunlap Rd.	7 Units 11 Bedrooms	454.-1-5	6/6/24	\$2,600.00	Lisa Pervival
24-21	Clair Catillaz	67 Floodwood Rd.	1 Unit 4 Bedrooms	442.2-2-16	6/20/2024	\$700.00	Clair Catillaz
24-22	Jason & Lisbel Wolner	821 Bartlett Carry Rd.	1 Unit 2 Bedrooms	463.-3-21	6/21/2024	\$500.00	Jason & Lisbel Wolner
24-23	Aaron Vollrath	35 East shore Ln.	1 Unit 3 Bedrooms	431.4-1-7.300	7/17/2024	\$600.00	Jacob Vernie-Vollrath
24-24	Margaret Altemus	72 Prospect House Ln.	1 Unit 3 Bedrooms	442.2-9-2	7/25/2024	\$600.00	Margaret Altemus
24-25	John Semler	15 Kimpton Rd.	1 Unit 4 Bedrooms	432.3-1-14	8/2/2024	\$700.00	John Semler
24-26	Theodore Lewand	32 Woodland Ln.	1 Unit 3 Bedrooms	443.-1-1-5	8/2/2024	\$600.00	Theodore Lewand
24-27	Heather Sullivan-Catlin	146 Fish Creek Park Rd.	1 Unit 2 Bedrooms	453.3-5-12	8/7/2024	\$500.00	Heather Sullivan-Catlin
24-28	Barbara Dunlap	5 Dunlap Rd.	2 Unit 4 Bedrooms	454.-1-2.200	8/21/2024	\$1,000.00	Barbara Dunlap
24-29	Elizabeth Zick	131 #9 Hoel Pond Rd.	1 Unit 5 Bedrooms	431.4-1-12	9/6/2024	\$800.00	Elizabeth Zick
24-30	George Heydweiller	471 Witchindin Rd.	1 Unit 3 Bedrooms	473.-1-12	10/9/2024	\$600.00	George Heydweiller

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