

06  74

SWCT
MWS

TO: Government Administration and Elections Committee

Chairs: Senator Flexer, Representative Fox

Vice Chairs: Senator Haskell, Representative Thomas

Ranking Members: Senator Sampson, Representative Mastrofrancesco

FROM: Mayor Andrew A. Paterna, Town of South Windsor

Date: May 13, 2021

Subject: SB1109 Conveyance of a Parcel of State Land to the Town of South Windsor:

Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, the Commissioner of Transportation shall convey to the town of South Windsor a parcel of land located in the town of South Windsor, at a cost equal to the administrative costs of making such conveyance. Said parcel of land has an area of approximately 6.84 acres and is identified as the parcel of land located at 239 Ellington Road, and Block 2 on town of South Windsor Tax Assessor's Map 6.

I appreciate the opportunity to share my views with you about the possible conveyance of State-owned land in South Windsor, at 239 Ellington Rd, near the I-291 interchange. This area has been identified, by our Economic Development Commission, as one of our 'business corridor development' zones in South Windsor. Presently, across the street, at 360 Ellington Rd is the new Home Depot Distribution Center, with another Scannell Properties warehouse under construction at 240 Ellington Rd (adjacent Home Depot). In addition, just down the street, at 339 Ellington Rd, is the newly completed Coca Cola Distribution Center.

This area of Ellington Rd, with its direct access to I-291, I-91 and I-84 makes it the ideal location for future economic development in South Windsor. It is part of our long-term planning for 'Smart Growth-Economic Development' that will help stabilize our tax base and provide new job opportunities for residents in the South Windsor region.

Our intention is to continue our economic development in this prime location in town.

Thank you for your consideration.

Mayor Andrew A. Paterna