Re: 10 Towns

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Jolene Jeffe

From:

WNY Southtowns Scenic Byway [WNYSSB@roadrunner.com]

Sent:

Thursday, March 29, 2012 4:14 PM

To:

Town Supervisor - e-mail; Martin A. Ballowe; Annie Hoffman; Gary Eppolito; Supervisor

Colarusso; John Wilson (Mayor of O.P.); Mayor Krebs; J.Mills; Mayor A. Kasprzak

Cc:

'Betty Cheteny'; 'Bill Even'; 'Jim Bentley '; Jim Lawicki; 'Kim Bowers '; 'Klinczar, Ronald'; 'Pat

Keem ': 'Scott Kroll ': 'Sherrie Pluta'

Subject:

Interpretive Signage Program Template

Attachments: WNYSSB 3-14 3.pdf

Dear all:

I am pleased to inform you that the WNYSSB is proceeding well with the development of our interpretive sign program. As some of you know we have commenced a series of community meetings to ascertain input on this project, and are in the process of contacting all municipal players to set up their respective sessions. Erie County was allocated two and all of the Towns and Villages on the Byway route are entitled to one interpretive sign under this program at no capital cost to the respective municipality. This sign will be supplied under the signage grant program. The individual municipality will own the sign and will need to accept maintenance responsibility for it.

Attached you will find the approved WNYSSB sign template. As we move forward, we are looking to work with your municipality to develop the sign content, at a location you select. We are looking to promote features that are in proximity to the byway and are in keeping with the theme of the byway, while promoting the municipalities' interests.

The template represents what the WNYSSB expects to install in every one of nine communities along the byway. As a template, the following elements are to be consistent among all signs:

- The sign shape, and color
- The identification of the WNYSSB and our logo on the top of the sign
- The identification of the Municipality (in this case, East Aurora) as identified
- We expect to identify the name of the feature identified below the municipality name (for example Cazenovia Creek Nature Preserve, Yates Park, etc., etc.).

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• The WNYSSB map

That leaves the internal portion of the map for content. Any combination of photos, text, graphics, etc. can be placed here. I would expect to work with you or other Village designee to develop this content, as you need. The sign content needs to be in line with one of three approved byway themes:

- Scenic
- Cultural
- Historic

Our sign designer, Johnson-Hehr, would do all of the layouts.

Although I know you are aware of this, signs must be placed on public right-of-way, not on any private property. A deed certification that the municipality owns the property will be necessary.

We are looking to let a contract to fabricate and install these signs this year, and hope to have a ribbon cutting by November 1 or so. With that in mind, it is our intent to firm up sign designs within 45-60 days. We ask for your municipalities' cooperation to help us make this happen and reach our year end goal.

You may contact me or our project engineer Ron Klinczar at any time regarding this effort. We are looking to meet with you and your board to discuss ideas on this at your earliest convenience.

Thank you for partnering with us to make this exciting undertaking a reality!

Bob Lennartz President Tel #716-662-4667

Cc: Ronald Klinczar
WNYSSB Interpretive Signage Project Manager



Western New York Southtowns Scenic Byway

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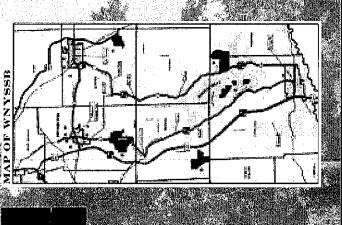
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Map size: 9-3/4" x 18-1/2"

Hadley Exhibits Inc



AURORA ARSENAL SOCCER CLUB, P.O. Box 132, East Aurora, NY 14052

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Affiliated with Buffalo & W.N.Y. Junior Soccer League - Youth Division of United States Soccer Federation

March 26, 2012

Aurora Town Board 5 South Grove Street East Aurora, New York 14052

Re: Aurora Arsenal Soccer Club, Inc. - Application for Concessions

Dear Aurora Town Board:

Aurora Arsenal Soccer Club, Inc. ("Arsenal") hereby applies for approval of two concession stands at Knox State Park. It is anticipated that concessions will be sold for 2012 only on Saturdays during the season. Concessions will be sold at the two sheds for which we were granted approval at this evening's Town Board Meeting.

The concessions sold and prices shall be as follows:

Coffee: \$1.50
Bottled Water: \$1.50
Doughnuts / Baked Goods: \$1.00
Sports Drinks / Juice: \$2.00

The coffee shall be supplied in containers, a description of which is annexed hereto. All concessions will be bought at local stores, meaning there will be no food preparation. I verified with the Erie County Department of Health that no permit will be needed. No electricity or other utilities are needed. Cold drinks will be in coolers filled with ice purchased at a local store. Per New York State requirement, all containers, etc. sold will be biodegradable or recyclable and no Styrofoam will be utilized. We will have garbage cans and recycling bins, which will be emptied at the end of each day of concession sales and said garbage cans and bins will be stored in the sheds during times when concessions are not sold.

All profits will be provided to the Town of Aurora to be utilized for maintenance of the fields. We proposed to issue a check to the Town of Aurora at the end of the season with a statement of amount of money made and after receipted deductions for the food and drinks, the balance to be remitted to the Town of Aurora via check. If you would like a different arrangement for payment, please advise.

Sincerely,

AURORA ARSENAL SOCCER CLUB, INC.

Peter J. Sorgi, Vice President

Enc.

David A. Szuba, P.E., New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation

RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE CONCESSIONS

WHEREAS, the Town of Aurora and the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation & Historic Preservation entered into a Cooperative Operation & Maintenance Agreement for the Athletic & Equestrian Fields at Knox Farm State Park on June 13, 2011, and

WHEREAS, the Town of Aurora and the Aurora Arsenal Soccer Club, Inc. amended its September 24, 2007 agreement on September 26, 2011, and

WHEREAS, the Aurora Arsenal Soccer Club, Inc. desires to operate two (2) concession stands, the profits of which will be provided to the Town of Aurora to be utilized for maintenance of the fields, and

WHEREAS, the Aurora Arsenal Soccer Club, Inc. has received approval from the Town to install two (2) temporary 10'x16' prefabricated sheds, also subject to approval by the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation & Historic Preservation,

NOW, THEREFORE, be it

RESOLVED, the Town of Aurora approves two (2) concession stands at Knox Farms State Park to be operated during 2012 only on Saturdays during the presentation of soccer meets by the Aurora Arsenal Soccer Club, Inc., and be it further

RESOLVED, the approval for concession stands is subject to the Erie County Sanitary Code in the proposed operation as outlined in a letter to the Board dated March 26, 2012 incorporated by reference, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Aurora Arsenal Soccer Club, Inc. assumes all responsibility for the operation of the concessions, and such operation includes cleanup at the end of each day of concession sales with proper disposal of refuse, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Aurora Arsenal Soccer Club, Inc. shall hold harmless and

indemnify the Town of Aurora, its officials, employees, successors and assigns, from any and all claims, actions, causes of action, liability, costs, damages, expenses, court costs, and attorneys fees resulting from or attributable to any and all acts or omissions of the Aurora Arsenal Soccer Club, Inc., and be it further

RESOLVED, that this resolution is subject to the approval of the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation & Historic Preservation, and be it further

RESOLVED, that a certified copy of this resolution shall be submitted to David Szuba, Capital Facilities Manager for the new York State Office of Parks, Recreation & Historic Preservation.

Kathleen Moffat

WS-3

From: Callista Jackson [callista.jackson@gmail.com]

Sent: Wednesday, March 28, 2012 12:57 PM

To: Jolene Jeffe; Kathleen Moffat

Subject: Aflac

Good Afternoon Ladies,

It was a pleasure to meet both of you last week and we appreciate the opportunity to educate you and your employees on our products.

Here are a couple of examples of cost as we discussed:

Employee A-\$10hr wage package includes \$500 mo 0/7 Short term disability, accidental coverage and cancer coverage \$15.28 week (pretaxed \$12.60)week.

Employee B-\$25hr wage package includes \$1900 mo 0/14 Short term disability, accidental and cancer coverage for employee and 2 parent family \$31.21 week (pretaxed \$26.97)

These are just a couple examples of affordability. Programs are tailored to each employee and rates do not increase.

I will also be delivering packets for your meeting with the board this week as well.

Please call or email me with any questions.

Thanks,

Callista



TOWN OF AURORA

5 South Grove Street, East Aurora, NY 14052 www.townofaurora.com

MEMO

To:

Jolene Jeffe

From:

Kathleen Moffat

RE:

2012 Healthcare Comparisons

DATE:

April 13, 2012

Attached please find a comparison of healthcare quotes from Independent Health, Blue Cross/Blue Shield and Univera. Based on this information, I believe we are getting the best deal from Independent Health.

Please let me know if you need any further information.

HEALTHCARE COMPARISON April 2012

	Independent Health Flex Fit Select (1st of our current 2 options)	Independent Health Passport Select (2nd of our current 2 options)	Blue Cross & Blue Shield HMO 104 (compare to Flex Fit Select)	Blue Cross & Blue Shield POS 250D Select (compare to Passport Select)	Univera VC71 (compare to Flex Fit Select)	Univera VC72 (compare to Passport Select)
Cost:	\$1255.20 Family \$ 473.66 Single	\$1049.03 Family \$ 395.86 Single	\$1328.08 Family \$ 501.79 Single	\$1071.49 Family \$ 404.98 Single	1517.64 Family 576.96 Single	\$986.66 Family \$374.71 Single
Office Visits:	\$15 Primary \$45 Specialist	\$25 Primary \$40 Specialist	\$25 Primary \$40 Specialist	\$20 Primary \$20 Specialist	\$15 Primary \$25 Specialist	\$40 Primary \$60 Specialist
Inpatient Hospital:	\$250	Deductible (500/1000) then 25% co-insurance Out of Pocket Max: 5000/10000	\$500	Deductible (1000/2000) then 10% co-insurance Out of Pocket Max: 2500/5000	\$150	Deductible (2000/6000) then 20% co-insurance Out of Pocket Max: 6000/18000
Emergency Room: \$200		\$100 after deductible	\$150	10% after deductible	\$75 \$75 \$75 \$75 \$75 \$75 \$75 \$75 \$75 \$75	\$350
Urgent Care:	\$75	\$75	\$35	10%	\$25	\$60
Prescription:	\$10/\$30/\$50	\$10/\$50/\$100	\$15/\$50/50%	\$10/\$30/50%	\$5/\$25/\$50	\$5/40%/50% with 500/1000 deductible
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*All plans cover dependents to age 26

Request for a Price Quote

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Please complete this form and return to:

Aurora Town Clerk 5 South Grove Stree East Aurora, NY 140 716-652-3280 716-652-3507 (fax)	52
Company providing	quote:
Address:	
Contact person:	
Phone No:	
Description of pro	duct and or work requested:
Installation of a r East Aurora, NY.	new phone system within the Town's office layout at 300 Gleed Avenue,
Specifications are	attached.
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(Attach additional pages	if needed.)

From the Office of Jolene M. Jeffe, Aurora Town Supervisor

April 12, 2012

WS-8

To:

Town Board

From:

Jolene Jeffe

Re:

Computer Purchases for 2012

Our computer consultant Nick, helped me get the best pricing for new computer purchases. Unlike the past few years, this year the lowest price was from the Dell Government contract list.

As you know, for the past few years, we have been working to upgrade our computers to be able to get on a 5-year replacement plan. This year, I would like to purchase 9 computers since the price is so competitive. Attached is the quote and specs from the Dell Government contract.

We discussed the timing of the purchase in case it made sense to wait until we moved into Gleed. Nick suggested that it would be easier to install them here and then just move them when we move rather than try to install 9 new computers all at once then.

The total price will be \$7,119.00.

They will be for the offices as indicated in a separate spreadsheet.

DELL

QUOTATION

QUOTE #: 617981823

Customer #: 103276133

Contract #: 83AEA

CustomerAgreement #: PC Agg Buy-PT65340

Quote Date: 4/10/12

Date: 4/10/12 8:03:31 AM Customer Name: TOWN OF AURORA

TOTAL QUOTE AMOUNT:	\$7,119.00		
Product Subtotal:	\$7,119.00		
Tax:	\$0.00		
Shipping & Handling:	\$0.00		
Shipping Method:	3rd Day	Total Number of System Groups:	1

GROUP: 1	QUANTITY: 9	SYSTEM PRICE: \$791.00	GROUP TOTAL: \$7,119.00
Base Unit:		OptiPlex 990 Desktop EPA (225-0436)	
Processor:		Core i5-2400, 3.1GHz, 6M, VT-x, 95W, Optiplex 990	(317-6592)
Memory:		8GB,Non-ECC,1333MHz DDR3,2x4GB,Dell OptiPle	
Keyboard:		Dell USB Entry Keyboard, No Hot Keys, English, C	ptiPlex (331-2024)
Monitor:		Dell Professional P1911,Widescreen,19in Viewable Latitude (320-2261)	Image Size,VGA/ DVI,OptiPlex,Precision and
Video Card:		512MB AMD RADEON HD 6350 Graphics Dual DVI,	LP,OptiPlex (320-1875)
Hard Drive:		250GB SATA 6.0Gb/s and 8MB Data Burst Cache,D	ell OptiPlex (342-2453)
Operating Syst	em:	Windows 7 Professional, Media, 64-bit, Optiplex, E	nglish (421-5608)
Operating Syst	em:	Windows 7 Label, OptiPlex, Fixed Precision, Vostr	o Desktop (330-6228)
Operating Syst	em:	Dell Client System Update (Updates latest Dell Re Apps),OptiPlex (421-5334)	commended BIOS, Drivers, Firmware and
Mouse:		Dell MS111 USB Optical Mouse, OptiPlex and Fixe	d Precision (330-9458)
TBU:		intel vPro Technology Enabled, Deli OptiPlex 990	(331-1134)
CD-ROM or DV	D-ROM Drive:	16X DVD+/-RW SATA, Data Only, Dell OptiPlex Desk	top or Minitower,Black (318-0546)
CD-ROM or DV	D-ROM Drive:	Roxio Creator Starter, Media, Dell OptiPlex, Latitud	de and Precision Workstation (421-4540)
CD-ROM or DV	D-ROM Drive:	Cyberlink Power DVD 9.5.1, Media, Dell OptiPlex, L	atitude and Precision Workstation (421-5095)
Sound Card:		Heat Sink, Performance, Dell OptiPlex 990 Deskto	p (331-1151)
Speakers:		Internal Speaker, OPtiplex (318-0319)	
Cable:		OptiPlex 990 Desktop Up to 90 Percent Efficient P	ower Supply (342-2464)
Cable:		Dell Data Protection Access,OptiPlex (421-5078)	
Cable:		Enable Low Power Mode for EUP Compliance, Del	OptiPlex (330-7422)
Cable:		Regulatory label, Mexico, for OptiPlex 990 Desktop (331-2482)	
Documentation	Diskette:	Documentation,English and French,Dell OptiPlex (331-2030)	
Documentation	Diskette:	Power Cord,125V,2M,C13,Dell OptiPlex (330-1711)	
Bundled Softwa	are:	No Productivity Software, Dell OptiPlex, Precision and Latitude (421-3872)	
Controller Opti	on:	No RAID, Dell OptiPlex (341-8036)	
Factory Installe	d Software:	Energy Star 5.0 Category D (less than 234kWh TEO 990 (331-1130)	C), EPEAT Gold, Dell ESMART Settings, OptiPlex
Feature		Resource DVD contains Diagnostics and Drivers	for Dell OptiPlex 990 Vista (331-1571)
Service:		Basic Hardware Service: Next Business Day Limit Extended (927-0214)	

Service:	Basic Hardware Service: Next Business Day Limited Onsite Service After Remote Diagnosis Initia Year (951-4670)
Service:	Dell Limited Hardware Warranty Plus Service Extended Year(s) (935-2098)
Service:	Dell Limited Hardware Warranty Plus Service Initial Year (929-6267)
Installation:	Standard On-Site Installation Declined (900-9987)
Misc:	Chassis Intrussion Switch, Dell OptiPlex Ultra Small Form Factor and Desktop (317-2828)
Misc:	Tech Sheet, Eng, Dell OptiPlex 990, Factory Install (331-1933)
Misc:	Shipping Material for System, Desktop, Dell OptiPlex 990 (331-1269)
Misc:	Core 15 vPro Sticker (331-1564)

	COMMENTS	
POET #P517818027		

	SALES REP:	Ryan Hubbard FAX 512.283.1590	PHONE:	512.725.0419
-	Email Address:	ryan_hubbard@dell.com	Phone Ext:	,

Please review this quote carefully. If complete and accurate, you may place your order online at www.dell.com/qto (use quote number above). POs and payments should be made to Dell Marketing L.P.

If you do not have a separate agreement with Dell that applies to your order, please refer to www.dell.com/terms as follows:

If purchasing for your internal use, your order will be subject to *Dell's Terms and Conditions of Sale-Direct* including Dell's U.S. Return Policy, at www.dell.com/returnpolicy#total. If purchasing for resale, your order will be subject to *Dell's Terms and Condition of Sale for Persons or Entities Purchasing to Resell*, and other terms of Dell's PartnerDirect program at www.dell.com/partner. If your order includes services, visit www.dell.com/servicecontracts for service descriptions and terms.

Quote information is valid for U.S. customers and U.S. addresses only, and is subject to change. Sales tax on products shipped is based on "Ship To" address, and for downloads is based on "Bill To" address. Please indicate any tax-exempt status on your PO, and fax your exemption certificate, with seller listed as *Dell Marketing L.P*, to Dell's Tax Department at 800-433-9023. Please include your Customer Number.

For certain products shipped to end-users in California, a <u>State Environmental Fee</u> will be applied. For Asset Recovery/Recycling Services, visit <u>www.dell.com/assetrecovery</u>.

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DEPART	EMPLOYEE	COMPUTER Model number	Service Tad	Date Manufactured	Microsoft Office	61.06
Town Clerk	Window (Vicky)	Dell Optiplex 760	4YLLZK1	10/1/2009	Home and Business	
	Counter	HP VLT20	NYS		Home and Business	
	Counter	Dell Optiplex 170L	GVRJ981	8/25/2005	Home and Business	REPLACE
	Martha	Dell Optiplex 320	JHLT1F1	4/8/2010	Home and Business	,
Supervisor	Jolene	Dell Optiplex 760	5LL8BM1	4/8/2010	Professional	•
	Nicole	Dell Optiplex 760	9YLLZK1	10/1/2009	Professional	
	Kathleen	Dell Optiplex 760	CYLLZK1	10/1/2009	Professional	,
	Sheryl	Network svc TDN-MD4252	F60LG61	1/4/2006	٤	REPLACE
Tax Office	Counter #1	Network svc TDN-MD4252	J9BYWB1	10/3/2006	Home and Business	
	Counter #2	Network Svc			Home and Business	
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Building Dept	Pat	Dell Optiplex 320	BG1DSC1	4/9/2007	Home and Business	
	Bill	Dell Optiplex 320	GG1DSC1	4/8/2007	Home and Business	REPLACE
	Wendy	Dell Optiplex 760	HKL8BM1	4/8/2010	Home and Business	
Assessor	l helma	Dell Optipiex 210L	2BBYWB1	10/3/2006	Home and Business	*
	Roger	Dell Optiplex 170L	4WRJ981	8/25/2005	Home and Business	REPLACE
	Joannie	network svc 23037			Home and Business	REPLACE
	Jamie	Dell Optiplex 780	51565P1	11/15/2010	Home and Business	٠.
Server	Main Server	Dell Power Edge T310			Professional	-
DCO	Sheryl Harris	Network svc 21146			Home and Business	REPLACE
Historian	Rob	Dell Optiplex 170L	HPV2D91	2/3/2006	Home and Business	•
Recreation	Counter	Dell Optiplex 170L	HSMJ981	8/25/2005	Professional	REPLACE
	Elaine	Dell Optiplex 780	61565P1	11/15/2010	Home and Business	
	Patty	Dell Optiplex 170L	6WRJ981	8/25/2005	Home and Business	
	Peggy	Dell Optiplex 320	JG1DSC1	4/8/2007	Professional	REPLACE
Senior Center	Donna	Dell Optiplex 760			Home and Business	
	Reception	Dell Optiplex 760			Home and Business	.*
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Courts	Claire	Dell Optiplex 320	US Court System	None	
	Maggie	Dell Optiplex GX280	US Court System	None	
	Server	Dell Power Edge 840	US Court System	None	
	Laptop	Dell PP18L	US Court System	None	

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TOWN OF AURORA

LOCAL LAW INTRO. NO. ___ 2012

LOCAL LAW __ 2012

A LOCAL LAW, TO AMEND LOCAL LAW 1-1990 KNOWN AS "THE CODES OF THE TOWN OF AURORA", ADOPTED BY THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF AURORA ON JANUARY 22, 1990, BY ADDING CHAPTER 86 REGULATING PICKETING WITHIN THE TOWN OF AURORA TO PROMOTE THE PROTECTION AND PRESERVATION OF HOMES WITHIN THE TOWN.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF AURORA AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. <u>LEGISLATIVE INTENT</u>

This Local Law amends a prior Local Law known as "The Town of Aurora Code" adopted by the Town of Aurora on January 22, 1990, as amended, relating to the administrative, legislative and general legislation of Codes within the Town of Aurora as therein set forth...

SECTION 2. CHAPTER 86, PICKETING

Section 86-1, Declaration of Policy

It is declared that the protection and preservation of the home is the keystone of democratic government; that the public health, welfare and the good order of the community require that members of the community enjoy in their homes and dwellings a feeling of well-being, tranquility, and privacy, and when absent from their homes and dwellings, carry with

them the sense of security inherent in the assurance that they may return to the enjoyment of their homes and dwellings; that the practice of picketing before or about residences and dwellings causes emotional disturbance and distress to the occupants; that such practice has as its object the harassing of such occupants; and without resort to such practice full opportunity exists, and under terms and provisions of this Chapter will continue to exist for the exercise of freedom of speech and other constitutional rights; and that the provisions hereinafter enacted are necessary for the public interest to avoid the detrimental results herein set forth.

Section 86-2, Picketing Residence or Dwelling Unlawful

It is unlawful for any person to engage in picketing before or about the residence or dwelling of any individual in the Town of Aurora.

Section 86-3, Penalties for Offenses

Any person violating the provisions of this Chapter shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be punishable by a fine not in excess of \$500 or by imprisonment for not more than sixty (60) days, or both.

SECTION 2. EFFECTIVE DATE

This Local Law shall take effect immediately upon filing with the New York Secretary of State.

ARTHUR J. GIACALONE

Attorney At Law 140 Knox Road East Aurora, New York 14052

Telephone: (716) 687-1902 Email: ArtG2012@verizon.net

Comments/Questions to Aurora Town Bd. re proposed Anti-Picketing Law - Public Hearing March 12, 2012 -

<u>No. 1</u>: Is there a compelling reason for this proposed law, given its chilling impact on Free Speech?

Unless events have occurred in our community that the public generally is unaware of, it is difficult to understand why this board is expending time and resources considering this proposal. While framed as a measure to protect residential privacy, the proposed local law, if enacted, would send a chilling anti-Free-Speech message. Uninhibited, robust and wide-open discourse on public issues is crucial to our democracy. For that reason, our nation's highest court has cautioned that an anti-picketing ordinance prohibiting citizens from engaging in picketing on an issue of public concern "operates at the core of the First Amendment."

The Town of Aurora has <u>not</u> experienced the type of events that triggered the enactment of a similar law in 1985 by the Town of Brookfield, WI, a Milwaukee suburb. That town of 4,300 experienced 6 anti-abortion rallies outside the home of a Brookfield doctor in a one-month period. The rallies lasted from 60 to 90 minutes each, and the groups varied in size from 11 to 40 members. The picketing generated "substantial controversy and numerous complaints."

It was in response to these concerted activities that the Brookfield town board adopted a law prohibiting picketing that focused on a single residence. As a citizen and taxpayer of this town, I need to know why the Town of Aurora feels compelled to enact its own anti-picketing law, one virtually identical to, and, therefore, as restrictive as, the one adopted by the Wisconsin town. I believe we already have law enforcement tools that would protect this community and its residents if we were to experience picketing that became disorderly and disruptive. Those measures include laws prohibiting trespass, harassment, disorderly conduct, obstruction of streets, loud and unnecessary noises, etc. Why isn't this enough?

No. 2: Beware of the unanticipated consequences of the proposed law: the potential for greater intrusion into an entire neighborhood or area.

The Brookfield, WI anti-picketing law was challenged as unconstitutional by anti-abortion protesters prior to anyone being arrested. The lower court and intermediate appellate court struck down the ordinance as violative of Free Speech, but it was ultimately upheld by the U.S. Supreme Court in the 1988 decision known as <u>Frisby v. Schultz</u>, 487 US 474. Our nation's highest court, by a 6 to 3 vote, held that a town does possess the power to protect a "captive audience" or an "unwilling listener" within the sanctity of his or her home where the picketing is narrowly directed at one household, and not the public generally.

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TOWN OF AURORA

5 SOUTH GROVE STREET, EAST AURORA, NY 14052

BUILDING DEPARTMENT (716) 652-7591

MEMO

TO:

AURORA TOWN BOARD

FROM:

Pat Blizniak - Building Dept

DATE:

March 30, 2012

SUBJECT:

Zoning application/permit

I would like to submit this for review to allow the Building Dept to use this permit for building placement (accessory building) on working farms eg. Barn, shed. Currently, NYS code allows an exception for farms relieving them of an obligation to obtain a permit for accessory building/structure that are farm related.

BUILDING DEPARTMENT

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5 South Grove Street, East Aurora, NY
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Permit #

Date Permit Fee \$ 20.00	Agricultural status verification
APPLIC	ATION FOR ZONING PERMIT
Location	SBL#
Property Owner Name	
1. Give a brief description of reque	est/intention for Zoning permit:
2. Existing use and occupancy	□Agricultural □Non Agricultural
3. Zone or use district in which pre	emises are situated
4. Size of completed building	ft wideft longft high Stories Total sq ft
5. Estimated Cost (determined b	y Building Department) *
6. Front Yard setback	in compliance \square not in compliance \square
7. Rear Yard setback	in compliance \square not in compliance \square
8. Side Yard(s) setback	in compliance \square not in compliance \square
9. Will electrical work be inspec	eted and a Certificate of Approval obtained? Yes No
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\$	
	Signature of Code Enforcement Officer/Building Inspect
Receipt is hereby acknowledged of	the sum of \$20.00, Equal to the permit fee established by the Town Board
of the Town of Aurora NY	