

Resolution re: Freese Road Bridge Alternative number nine

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WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Dryden discussed the alternatives suggested by NYSDOT and FHWA concerning the Freese Road Bridge project; and

WHEREAS, the Board's original choice, alternative number 11, was deemed unacceptable by SHIPPO and FHWA; and

WHEREAS, NYSDOT suggested alternative 13 as well as a second version of option 13 as alternatives; and

WHEREAS, both options suggested by NYSDOT involve "twinning" the bridge, by constructing a new 2-lane bridge adjacent to the existing one lane bridge; and

WHEREAS, twinning was not seen as a viable option by the Board because in one option, 13a, the town would have to maintain the existing bridge as a pedestrian bridge at the Town's expense and in the other option, 13b, the County would leave the existing bridge in place while closing it off to any pedestrian or vehicular traffic; and

WHEREAS, at no point during this process has Community supported "twinning" as an alternative; and

WHEREAS, "twinning" would not solve the alleged hydraulic pressures in the area; and

WHEREAS, in order to move the project forward the Board was directed to choose a new preferred alternative; and

WHEREAS, the Board discussed alternative number 9 and determined that it fit the Board's objective of maintaining historical character, addressing the hydraulic pressures of the area, and constructing a bridge that will last at a minimum of 75 years; therefore, it is hereby

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Dryden directs that Barton & Loguidice, OPC., amend the findings document to reflect that the Board chooses Alternative number nine (9) as the preferred alternative for the Freese Road Bridge project under the Bridge NY Grant. This option would cause a new two-lane bridge to be constructed while re-using the existing truss from the current one lane bridge as a façade.