Project Registration Number_____

Niagara River Greenway Commission
Consultation and Review Form

Type of Review Required: **_____ Mandatory Consultation**

_____ Voluntary Review and/or Endorsement

PROJECT SPONSOR INFORMATION

Name: Town of Lewiston

Mailing Address: 1375 Ridge Road

State: NY Zip Code: 14092

Federal ID# 16-6002298 Charities Registration #_____

PROJECT TYPE

Check all that apply: ____ Environmental _____ Cultural/Heritage ✓ Land or Water Public Access

_____ Cultural ✓ Trail _____ Educational/Interpretive

_____Waterfront or Land Based Development _____ Signage

✓ Recreational _____ Other

Project Name: Lewiston Town Park Project

Location: Town of Lewiston

Site Address: _____

State: NY Zip Code: 14092

Minor Civil Division(s): Town of Lewiston

County: Niagara

Project Proponent Property Interest (own, lease, easement or other): _____
Town owned property

AUTHORIZED OFFICIAL

Name: Steve Broderick Title: Town Supervisor

Business Address: 1375 Ridge Road, Lewiston

State: New York Zip Code: 14092

Telephone Number: (716) 754-8213 Cell Number: _____

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PROJECT POINT OF CONTACT

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PROJECT NARRATIVE
Please attach material, which responds to the following five items in the order that they are presented.

1. In a brief paragraph, describe the project and its purpose, how and when it will be accomplished, and why it is important.

The Town of Lewiston is requesting $700,000 in Greenway funds to complete the Lewiston Town Park Development Project. The purpose of the Lewiston Town Park Development Project is to completely reinvent and unify Town parkland on Lower River Road and Pletcher Road. Located mid-point between the Villages of Lewiston and Youngstown, this park will include a pedestrian and bike trail connection from the Lower River Trail directly to the Niagara River's edge, which puts this project in the heart of the Niagara River Greenway Lower River Road Linear Park system.

The proposed project will also see the further development of the only Town property located directly on the Niagara River, with the installation of pavilions, ADA picnic tables, grills, ADA connecting pathways, tree planting, lighting, security cameras, parking and striping improvements and an ADA accessible floating dock for fishing and kayaks. In addition an existing building already located on the property will be converted into a functional building for recreational storage for items such as kayaks. This building and the previously funded Greenway Lewiston Comfort Station will also have space for a kiosk, which will include Niagara River Greenway information and maps.

Once complete the development of this park will become the Town of Lewiston's first and only official "Town Park", while the Town does maintain and operate other parks they are smaller and are considered neighborhood parks.

This park will compliment the adjacent Stella Niagara Preserve since the preserve is considered to be a passive park and land preserve, the Lewiston Town Park will focus on creating a more active recreational park that visitors and tourist commonly request. While in its current condition the parkland is significantly underdeveloped for all recreational needs therefore with the proposed work listed above this project will enhance and compliment connectivity to neighboring and adjacent parks, add much needed recreational amenities and provide a more comprehensive connection to the Niagara River Greenway.

The Town of Lewiston declares that it is their opinion, shared by the Town of Lewiston Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee, that the completion of the Lewiston Town Park Development Project will have a positive effect on the use and usefulness of parks connected by the Niagara Greenway.

2. Referring to the Niagara River Greenway Plan, clearly document and describe how the proposed project will advance the Niagara River Greenway vision including the goals, principles, and criteria that define that vision.

The Lewiston Town Park Development Project will promote the vision of the Niagara River Greenway by supporting the connective trail system and public parkland along the Niagara River to serve as a recreational gateway for visitors to the Greenway Corridor.

The Lewiston Town Park Development Project is located within close proximity to drive, bike, hike, and/or jog to Lewiston's other parks as well as to the Niagara River, Kiwanis Park, Academy Park and Artpark. The Lewiston Town Park Development Project also supports Lewiston's other parks by providing this proposed linkage to Town and Village activities that can be enjoyed by visiting the area and locations such as the Tuscarora Hero's Monument and Freedom Crossing Monument. Other local recreational activities nearby include instructional tennis, basketball, and other athletics, arts and crafts, preschooler sessions, field trips, instructional chess and other games and classes in specific arts and/or crafts.

This project incorporates all of the principles, goals and criteria set forth by the Niagara River Greenway, and the project will support an accessible, unified, environmentally friendly, and revitalized corridor that highlights the natural beauty, cultural diversity, and historic significance of the Niagara River. The project will promote the majestic views of the Lower Niagara River, River Gorge, Canada and provide waterfront access that currently does not exist.

PRINCIPALS
The implementation of the Lewiston Town Park Development Project will meet the guiding principles of the Niagara Greenway Commission as follows:

Excellence
The Town of Lewiston is committed to maintaining the excellence of all its recreational facilities. The proposed Lewiston Town Park Development Project is in close proximity to other Town and State parks and bike trails. Pedestrians will capitalize on the trail's connection to the surrounding area's recreation amenities (playground equipment, recreation programs for youths, and sports fields), pristine natural beauty, and scenic vistas, thus contributing to the Greenway Commission's first-class standards.

Sustainability
The Lewiston Town Park Development Project will promote the *ecological*, *economical* and *physical* sustainability for long-term viability and effectiveness. The Town's Parks and Recreation Department will conscientiously maintain the project.

Accessibility
The Lewiston Town Park Development Project is located along the Niagara Corridor in the Towns of Lewiston and Niagara, thus facilitating improved public access to the Town's additional parks and the Niagara River Vistas. The proposed project is designed to provide and increase accessibility to all of the Town and Village of Lewiston's Parks and amenities.

Ecological Integrity
The Lewiston Town Park Development Project will support parkland that is used, and will improve the health, vitality, and integrity of the connecting park's natural resources. Adjacent wildlife habitats from the Niagara River and Lewiston Plateau will continue to support the ecological significance in these areas and natural landscapes.

Public Well-Being
Within the proposed project area of the Niagara River and Greenway Corridor, the Lewiston Town Park Development Project will provide much-needed recreational opportunity to a wide range of users, including the community's youth and their parents who utilize the trail system and the connected parks for recreation, after-school programs, and sports. This development project will advance public wellbeing and promote physical and emotional wellness through the experience that it offers to by providing access to both active and passive recreational opportunities, and amenities for those with special needs. The project will provide improved access for various recreational activities and will support a relaxing atmosphere for all visitors.

Connectivity
The Lewiston Town Park Development Project will facilitate increased access to Town Parks, Artpark amenities, events in the Village of Lewiston, waterfront access and Niagara River natural vistas as well as the connecting trails along the Niagara River. The closest parks to this proposed development is Academy Park, Kiwanis Park, Artpark and Joseph Davis Park that serves as recreational destinations for Town residents, visitors, tourist and the surrounding community.

Restoration
The location of the proposed Lewiston Town Park Development Project will feature the further development of the park land with the addition of pavilions, ADA picnic tables, grills, connecting pathways, tree planting, lighting, security cameras, parking and striping improvements and an ADA accessible floating

dock this will all be inherently connected to the Lower Niagara River/Seaway Trail system.

Authenticity
The Lewiston Town Park Development Project will support the already established clear sense of “place” and identity that reflects the traditional spirit and heritage of the area.

Celebration
This project will be designed to celebrate local history, diversity, cultural resources, and the natural and built environments, and will seek to share this diverse tradition with local residents and visitors to the region. Once this trail is complete it will only strengthen the sense of celebration during events and activities that help build social interaction and shared experiences throughout the Greenway corridor.

Partnerships
The focus of the Lewiston Town Park Development Project is a direct cooperation between the Village & Town, but with many visitors to the parks and Lewiston trail system, as well as other local towns and villages, this project will only strengthen relationships with neighboring communities and may lend itself to future coordination and integration of efforts throughout the Greenway.

Community Based
The Lewiston Town Park Development Project has been in the planning stage for several years, with support provided by the Town Supervisor; Steve Broderick. The project is vital in creating a comprehensive fully developed parkland that will offer a wide range of amenities from active recreation to passive recreation as well as access to the waterfront and meet all ADA regulations to meet the needs of the Town and the surrounding population. This project has the full support of the local community.

GOALS
The implementation of the Lewiston Town Park Project will meet the goals of the Niagara River Greenway as follows:

Improve Access
The Lewiston Town Park Development Project will serve as a recreational destination for members and visitors of the community and will further support local festivals, scenic vistas, recreational activities and programs for the Town's youth and residents as a whole. Leisure park enjoyment and organized park activities will include organized sporting activities and an ADA fishing and kayak dock for water access. Implementation of this project will significantly contribute to the improvement of the Town's comprehensive connective trail system that

has experienced a large increase of usage due to the increase in population within the Town and surrounding communities. Located mid-point between the Villages of Lewiston and Youngstown this park will include a pedestrian and bike trail connection from the Lower River Trail right to the Niagara River's edge, which puts this project in the heart of the Niagara River Greenway.

Make Connections

The Lewiston Town Park Development Project will facilitate increased access for local park and trail users to Kiwanis Park, Academy Park, Joseph Davis Park and Artpark and will serve as a comprehensive connective trail system Lewiston Pathway, River Road Trail, Niagara Scenic Trail and as a recreational destination for Lewiston residents, visitors, tourists and the surrounding community.

Protect and Restore Environmental Systems

This project will ensure that the Lewiston Town Park remains an open viable part of Lewiston's park system, as well as preserve the surrounding environment from commercial and residential development. The project contributes to the environmental wellbeing of the region.

Spark Revitalization and Renewal

The Lewiston Town Park Development Project addresses the heart of the Greenway's goal for revitalization and renewal of green spaces and public recreational opportunities. Lewiston Town Park serves as a recreational connection for visitors and much of the community's youths through its spring, summer and fall sporting programs. The comprehensive ADA connective trail system which will be linked to Lewiston Town Park will offer a user-friendly and safe environment for all that use these areas. Also the addition of an ADA fishing and kayak dock for water access will renew the underdeveloped park into a destination location.

Promote Long Term Sustainability

The Town of Lewiston currently owns the property where the proposed Lewiston Town Park Development Project will be constructed and the Town will continue to ensure that the trails, parkland and all amenities are maintained and updated to remain an attractive destination along the Niagara River Greenway. Lewiston Town Park will be conscientiously maintained well into the future through its recreational events and programs and its connection between other Town parks, which will contribute to the vitality of the area as it continues to serve as an attractive and essential gateway along the Niagara River Greenway and trail systems. The Town is committed to the yearly funding and manpower that are necessary to keep the park in top condition.

Extend the Legacy of Fredrick Law Olmstead

Currently, the Town of Lewiston has started an extensive comprehensive park development plan throughout the Town for the enjoyment of residents and

visitors. Due to the recent increase in population and the projected continuance of that trend, The Lewiston Town Park Development Project will provide local residents and visitors to the area with improved continuous access to the local festivals, scenic vistas, recreational activities and programs.

Celebrate History and Heritage

The Lewiston Town Park Development Project will meet the specialized needs of all that use this area, adhering to all ADA standards, thus providing additional recreational amenities to serve the steadily increasing population. Throughout its history, the Town of Lewiston has been a close-knit community within itself and with surrounding municipalities. All of Lewiston's parks support its heritage and pride of its park system, which includes Kiwanis Park, Academy Park and Artpark, the Tuscarora Hero's Monument, Freedom Crossing Monument and the future bust of Morgan Lewis (all Greenway Projects).

CRITERIA

Through the Lewiston Town Park Project, the Town of Lewiston meets criteria of the Niagara River Greenway Plan:

Consistency with Niagara River Greenway Principles

The Lewiston Town Park Development Project makes a significant contribution towards all the principles set forth by the Niagara River Greenway. This project encourages the vision for the Greenway to be explicitly considered for project development, at the basic vision, to see the space around and near the Niagara River become developed and to attract residents and visitors to utilize this space while experiencing the natural resource provided by the Niagara River.

Priority Status

The Lewiston Town Park Development Project has been in the planning phase for several years to restore and enhance many recreational opportunities for users of all ages, including the community's abundant and increasing youth population. The Lewiston Town Park Development Project supports the pride of Lewiston's parks system and will enhance the overall attractiveness and usability of the parks for the community.

Environmental Soundness

The conceptual plan has addressed the need to provide proper maintenance of landscaping and plant life, as well as return any disturbed ground to its original condition.

Implementable

A contractor will perform all work associated with this project. The cost was figured out by gathering cost estimates from contractors (please see enclosed

quote). Once approved, this project will be put out to bid for equipment prices and installation.

Economic Viability and Local Sponsor

All maintenance and upkeep of the trail will be provided through a line item in the Town of Lewiston Parks and Recreation Department Budget. The Town of Lewiston will continue to provide stewardship for this project, and provide the necessary money, equipment, and manpower to further this project along from the design phase, to its completion and beyond.

Availability of Local Sponsor or Partner

The Town of Lewiston is committed to developing and maintaining this park and the trail system as part of its yearly budget and thus will assume the long-term responsibility for continued operation and maintenance. The Town will ensure that the park does not fall into disrepair and will continue to champion the project after it is completed.

Ability to Match or Leverage Funds

The Town of Lewiston will not be providing any matching funds for this project. The Lewiston Town Park Development Project has a total cost of $700,000, which is the amount needed to complete the proposed parkland improvement, dock and trail (see attached), only with funding from Niagara River Greenway can the Town of Lewiston hope to complete this project.

Clear Benefits

The Lewiston Town Park Development Project will completely reinvent and unify Town Park land on Lower River Road and Pletcher Road and the Lewiston Comfort Station. The proposed project will offer the clear benefit of further developing of the park land with the addition of pavilions, ADA picnic tables, grills, connecting pathways, tree planning lighting, security cameras, parking and striping improvements and an ADA accessible floating dock, will all be inherently connected to the Lower Niagara River/Seaway Trail system.

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3. Define the budget for the proposed project and include costs for the following:

Planning	$_____
Construction	$ 592,330
Acquisition	$_____
Administration	$ 107,670
Operation and Maintenance / Year	$_____
TOTAL PROJECT COST	$ 700,000

Identify all sources of funding and the amount of funding expected from each source. Identify and quantify funds that are already on hand or have been allocated for the proposed project. Explain how the project will be operated and maintained.

The Town of Lewiston does not currently have the ability to match or leverage funds, so without funding from Greenway this project is not possible. The Town of Lewiston will continue to provide stewardship for this project once its complete and provide the necessary money, equipment, and manpower to protect this project beyond completion. The Lewiston Town Park Development Project has a total cost of $700,000, which is the amount needed to complete the proposed project, only with funding from Niagara River Greenway can the Town of Lewiston hope to complete this project. (see attached engineering drawings and cost estimate).

4. Describe the measures taken at the local level to gain community and government support for this project (hearings, petitions, public surveys, resolutions of support or other methods). If this project has been cited or described in a local planning document or some equivalent thereof, attach copies of that documentation highlighting the sections that are relevant to the proposed project. Describe the role of municipal agencies, stakeholder groups, consultants, volunteers or others who will be involved in the proposed project.

This project, which has been in the planning phase for several years, has received strong community support from residents, organizations, and local representatives and is fully supported by the local governing body for the Town of Lewiston (see attached resolution). The Town of Lewiston unanimously supported the project and Greenway funding on April 9, 2018 (see attached).

This project will provide excellent opportunities for environmental and geological education, outreach, and community involvement. Once completed, this project will:

- Restore and protect ecologically and geologically significant landscapes;
- Create/enhance public access to a natural resource;
- Result in the restoration of an area, which has long been neglected and underutilized, and no longer meets the needs of the surrounding community;
- Protect and enhance those scenic, historic and cultural resources, which are readily identifiable as valued parts of the common heritage of New York's citizens; by facilitating convenient access to the Niagara River and Erie Canal; and, maintain the critical natural-resource-based industries, recreation, and tourism.

5. Describe and document the environmental setting and existing conditions at the proposed project site. If you are not the owner of the property include a letter(s) or resolution(s) evidencing support for the project by the owner. Provide photographs, conceptual plans and drawings that show the site as it presently exists and how the site will change with the addition of the proposed project. Describe how your project will comply with the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA). The existence of wetlands, significant upland and aquatic habitats, and plant or animals species that are classified as rare, threatened, or endangered should be noted. Explain how such natural resources will be protected and/or enhanced. Cite any relevant project-related studies.

The Lewiston Town Park Development Project site is located in Lewiston on Lower River Road and Pletcher Road, which is currently designated park land and is owned/maintained by the Town of Lewiston. The proposed park will be open daily, 365 days a year, with no set hours and will be made to adhere to all the latest ADA regulations. The proposed project will see the further development of the park land with the addition of pavilions, ADA picnic tables, grills, connecting pathways, tree planting, lighting, security cameras, parking and striping improvements and a folding ADA accessible floating dock will all be inherently connected to the Lower Niagara River/Seaway Trail system. In its current condition, there is simply not enough amenities and a large section of trail missing and fails to serve the population with quality connecting trails to amenities residents, visitors and tourist to enjoy. The proposed Lewiston Town Project site is located right on the shores of the Niagara River, which puts this project in the heart of the Niagara River Greenway. There were no relevant studies necessary for this project, as the project site has been developed and has under gone previous ground disturbance, all SEQR documentation has already been filed for this area.

Resolution

Resolution 2018 - 8

Town of Lewiston

AUTHORIZING RESOLUTION

April 9, 2018

for the Niagara River Greenway Commission

for the

Town of Lewiston, Lewiston Town Park Development Project

I, Donna Garfinkel, Town Clerk of the Town of Lewiston located at 1375 Ridge Road Lewiston, NY 14092, do hereby certify that the following resolution was adopted at a regular Town Board meeting of the Town of Lewiston held on April 9, 2018, and is incorporated in the original minutes of the said meeting and that the said resolution has not been altered, amended or revoked and is in full force and effect.

WHEREAS, the Town Board desires to use the Town of Lewiston's Niagara River Greenway funds for the Lewiston Town Park Development Project for the costs needed to complete this project; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has to apply and request funding from the Niagara River Greenway Host Standing Committee; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board authorizes and submits a request for additional funding for Lewiston Town Park Development Project in the amount of $700,000.

RESOLVED, That Steve Broderick, as Supervisor of the Town of Lewiston, is hereby authorized and directed to file an application for funding from the Niagara River Greenway Host Standing Committee to complete Lewiston Town Park Development Project.

Donna R. Garfinkel

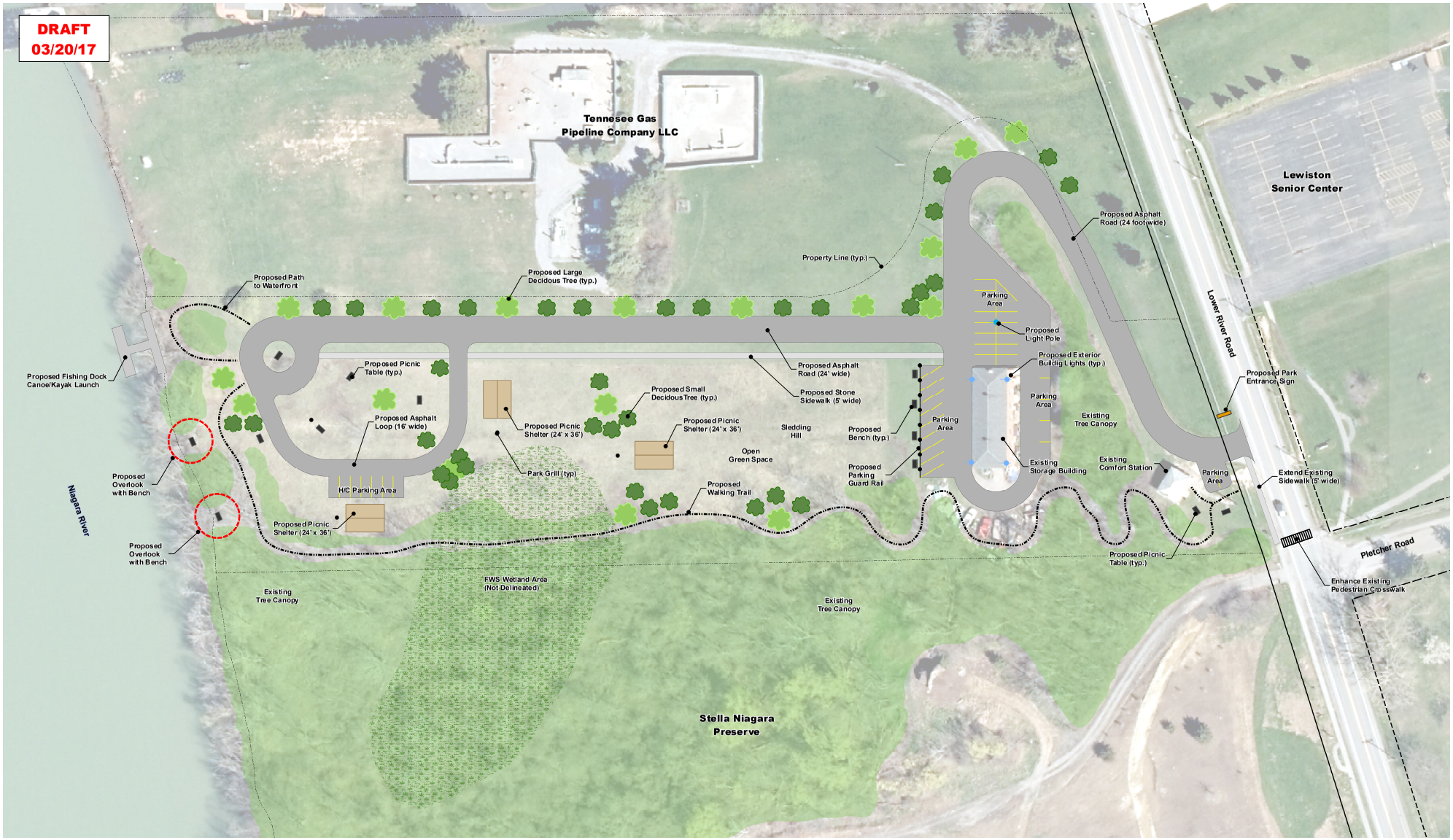
Donna Garfinkel, Town Clerk

Seal of Municipality

Design and Quote

Cost Estimate
Town of Lewiston Conceptual Park Plan

Item	Qty.	Unit Cost	Unit		Total Cost
Park Structures					
24'x36' Wood Gable Park Pavilion	3	$40,500.00	EA	$	121,500.00
4' x 10' Pre-built Floating Dock Unit (300 ' total)	30	$3,000.00	EA	$	90,000.00
			Total:	**$**	**211,500.00**
Park Furniture					
8' Single Sided ADA Wooden Picnic Table	16	$750.00	EA	$	12,000.00
6' Wooden Picnic Table	14	$500.00	EA	$	7,000.00
320-inch Square Park Grill	6	$400.00	EA	$	2,400.00
32 Gallon Wooden Slat Trash Receptable	6	$375.00	EA	$	2,250.00
6' Wooden Single Sided Park Bench	8	$500.00	EA	$	4,000.00
10' Double Sided Bike Rack	2	$450.00	EA	$	900.00
			Total:	**$**	**28,550.00**
Landscaping and Walking Trail					
Small Tree Planting (4 to 6 feet)	40	$150.00	EA	$	6,000.00
Medium Tree Planting (8 to 10 feet)	16	$300.00	EA	$	4,800.00
Entrance Sign and Decorative Landscaping	1	$5,000.00	LS	$	5,000.00
Clearing and Tree Removal (Trail/Overlooks)	1	$10,000.00	LS	$	10,000.00
			Total:	**$**	**25,800.00**
Paving and Park Road Construction					
12" Select Backfill	2,200	$30.00	CY	$	66,000.00
3" Base Course	1,100	$70.00	Ton	$	77,000.00
2" Binder Course	750	$80.00	Ton	$	60,000.00
1" Top Course	400	$90.00	Ton	$	36,000.00
5' wide Asphalt Sidewalk (700')	400	$40.00	SY	$	16,000.00
Parking Lot Striping	1	$2,000.00	LS	$	2,000.00
100' Parking Lot Rail Fence	1	$6,000.00	LS	$	6,000.00
			Total:	**$**	**263,000.00**
Miscellaneous					
Exterior Wall Pack Security Light	4	$500.00	EA	$	2,000.00
10' Light Pole with 2 Lights	1	$1,500.00	EA	$	1,500.00
Crosswalk Enhancements (Striping and Signs)	1	$2,000.00	LS	$	2,000.00
Security Camera System	1	$4,000.00	LS	$	4,000.00
			Total:	**$**	**9,500.00**
			Estimated Construction Cost:	**$**	**538,350.00**
			Construction Contingency (10%):	*$*	*53,835.00*
			Engineering, Legal, Administration (20%):	*$*	*107,670.00*
			Total Estimated Cost:	**$**	**699,855.00**
			SAY:	**$**	**700,000.00**



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TOWN OF LEWISTON
NIAGARA COUNTY, NEW YORK

CONCEPTUAL PARK PLAN

Project No. 11137156
Revision No. 2
Date 03/20/2018

FIGURE 1