December 10, 2015

Mr. Kyle Collins  
Town Planning/Development Administrator  
Town of Southampton  
110 Hampton Road  
Southampton, NY 11968

Dear Mr. Collins:

In 2011, Governor Cuomo launched the Regional Economic Development Councils and the Consolidated Funding Application (CFA) to provide each region with the tools to create and implement their own roadmap for economic prosperity and job creation. This community-based model uses local assets to drive local economic growth and has resulted in unprecedented partnerships and collaboration that are building a reinvigorated economy.

After four successful rounds, the 2015 CFA made $750 million in economic development resources available from thirty programs across thirteen state agencies. The agency programs provide resources for projects focused on community development and job creation, tourism, waterfront revitalization, energy, and environmental improvements, sustainability, and low-cost financing.

The New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation (OPRHP) is proud to have contributed $16,000,000 to this year's Consolidated Funding Application. I am pleased to inform you that a matching grant of $330,192.00 has been reserved from the Environmental Protection Fund Municipal Grant program for the Good Ground Park Phase 1A Development - Gateway.

Our agency will contact you to clarify specifics about the project, including next steps, disbursement terms, minority- and women-owned business hiring goals, employment requirements, environmental and historic preservation review requirements, and other terms and conditions. I urge you to work closely with our program staff and not to begin work on your project until appropriate contract conditions have been satisfied.

If you applied for funding from other OPRHP programs or other State agencies, you will receive information from those programs/agencies separately.

We look forward to working in partnership with you to expeditiously advance your project.

Congratulations,

Rose Harvey  
Commissioner

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