

**TOWN OF BETHEL
NOTICE OF HEARING
INTRODUCTORY LOCAL LAW #1 OF 2026
A MORATORIUM PROHIBITING ACCEPTANCE FOR REVIEW OF NEW
APPLICATIONS FOR HIGH DENSITY RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT**

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that there has been introduced before the Town Board of the Town of Bethel, New York, on January 28, 2026, a Local Law titled “A Moratorium prohibiting acceptance for review of applications for High Density Residential Development in the Town of Bethel”, which Local Law establishes a moratorium of review of any High Density Residential Development applications submitted to the Planning Board and Zoning Board of Appeals and any inactive application submitted after January 28, 2026 to allow review and possible revision of the Town’s comprehensive plan and potential amendments to the Town’s Zoning Code to balance the need for housing with the need to protect the Town’s environmental resources.

A complete copy of the Introductory Local Law is available for inspection at the Clerk's Office and on the Town Website <https://townofbethelny.gov/proposed-local-laws>

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to Section 20 of the Municipal Home Rule Law, the Town Board of the Town of Bethel, New York, will hold a public hearing on the aforesaid Local Law on March 11, 2026 at 7:45 P.M. or soon thereafter, at the Dr. Duggan Community Center, 3460 Route 55, White Lake, New York 12786 at which time all persons interested therein shall be heard.

The Town of Bethel will make every effort to assure that the hearing is accessible to persons with disabilities. Anyone requiring special assistance and/or reasonable accommodations should contact the Town Clerk.

Dated: January 29, 2026

By Order of the Town Board
Town of Bethel
Rita J. Sheehan, Town Clerk