TOWN OF EAST HAMPTON



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Federal Court Defers Decision on Town Airport Laws

The federal court today issued an order extending the deadline to rule on a motion seeking to block enforcement of three local laws adopted by the Town of East Hampton to address the problem of excessive airport noise.

The underlying motion was filed by certain airport users who oppose the new local laws. It was filed as a motion for a temporary restraining order. Judge Joanna Seybert heard arguments on May 18 and initially announced that she would issue a decision by June 8 and that she would construe the motion as one for a preliminary injunction. At that time, the Town agreed to postpone enforcement of the laws pending her decision.

In today's order, Judge Seybert extended the deadline for issuing her decision by three weeks to June 26, 2015, citing the complexity of the issues involved. The Town Board remains confident that it will prevail in the litigation, however, out of respect for the judicial process, the Town has agreed to continue to not enforce the local laws pending the Court's decision.

The Town will post an update when the court issues its ruling, which is now expected on or before Friday, June 26. In the interim, information on the three local laws as well as the court filings is available at www.htoplanning.com.