

CONSERVATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE
REPORT TO TOWN BOARD
August 29, 2025

The CAC has been following the traffic implications and progress of the Orchards on Hudson Project. Several members attended the last Planning Board meeting and frankly were disappointed that the Planning Board has not received a written opinion from the DOT to address the questions from the public traffic implications. Likewise, it was also revealed that the School Board never had the opportunity to speak with the developers at one of their public meetings to discuss how the project might affect school busing or other school considerations. Connectivity within the project and to the hamlet will remain per the plan. This is a Planning Board decision, but the CAC has an obligation to report our observations.

The EV charging station installation should commence Sept. 23 or Sept. 24. As reported last month, the CAC will follow the installation with a photo history and coordinate a ribbon cutting ceremony with the Board to introduce this service to our residents, probably at the end of October or early November. The CAC is very pleased that our recommendation to continue to consider installation of an EV charger is coming to fruition to serve our residents and our visitors.

Finally, we are continuing our plan for a RECYCLE, REUSE, REPURPOSE *Community Day of Giving Drive*. The Community Center will host invited civic groups and interested parties there to the Community Center to provide a pick up place for a single day of giving and exchange of services. We hope to have 10 civic or social groups participate. So far we are expecting groups to collect usable coats, shoes and discarded glasses and hearing aids. Our Facebook page is posting invitations to participate and our email address is tomnycac@gmail.com.

Respectfully submitted,
Mici Simonofsky, Chair