



October 27, 2016

Mark Torpey
Planning Board Chair
City of Saratoga Springs
City Hall
474 Broadway
Saratoga Springs, NY 12866

SUBJECT: Mixed Use Development, 106-120 West Avenue

Dear Mr. Torpey,

CDTA has reviewed plans for the above-referenced development. We appreciate the opportunity to provide comments on the site plan for the proposed mixed-use development at 106-120 West Avenue.

CDTA currently provides transit service within walking distance of this location via Route #451 (see route map and schedule attached). This route connects to the Saratoga Springs Amtrak station, Downtown Saratoga Springs, the Saratoga Race Course, the Town of Milton, and the Village of Ballston Spa.

CDTA strongly supports the following aspects of the developer's plan:

- The positioning of the building in front and parking in the rear of the site to provide street frontage and contribute to the walkability of West Avenue.
- The addition of a bicycle rack to the site.

In the interest of providing an even safer and more accessible pedestrian and transit-user environment, CDTA recommends that any driveways entering the site be constructed at the same level as the sidewalk to signal that pedestrians have the right of way. Any curb ramps that are constructed should also be ADA-compliant.

Thank you for including CDTA in the review process for this proposal.

Sincerely,

Michael Williams, Senior Planner
CDTA

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Sandy Misciewicz, CDTC

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