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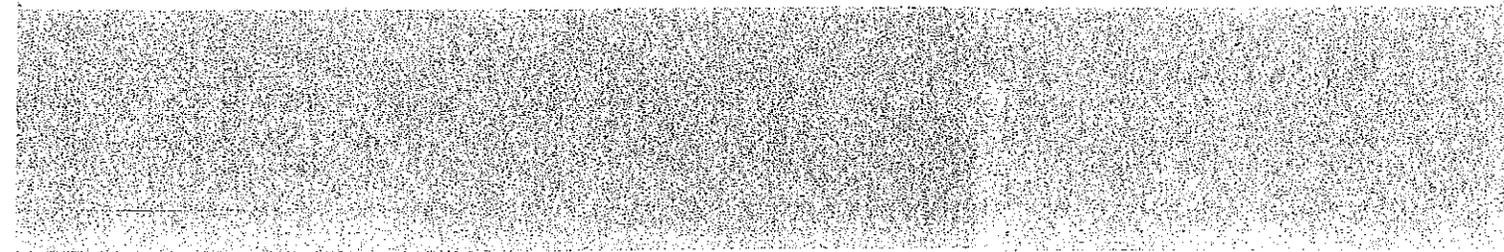
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We can smell the landfill 8.7 miles away at our home on Fairport Road. We have also smelled the landfill at our rental home at 234 West Ivy, East Rochester. Initially, we smelled the landfill during spring or summer days. In the last two years we've experienced the smell during all four seasons. The landfill is too old and can not be updated to address all the issues. A new landfill needs to be planned.



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When I attended Fairport High School (2015-2018) the smell of the landfill would get overwhelming at the beginning and end of the school year during the warm months.

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I am concerned about the lingering problem of the bad odors coming from High Acres. I loved being part of Perinton decades before I moved here. I have lived here since 2007, and odor was not a problem. Since the smells have arrived, and increased it is a real disconnect to live in a place which is so attractive, with so much green space, and have it smell like you are driving behind a garbage truck. I live by the canal, not in the residential area hardest hit, and I am astonished how often I open the door in the morning to walk my dog, and am hit with odor. The problem is that there is no escape, air is not something you can round up and contain. If an area smells as bad as Perinton does, people are going to make choices about living here, working here, recreating here, and in fact they already are. If there was ever a quality of life issue, it is about clean air. And blueberry air freshener is not clean air. Ask anyone who has respiratory issues and can't breathe when someone is venting their clothes dryer outside. The fact that the town has not been more outraged about this problem and how it compromises the quality of life of its residents is beyond me. Perinton cannot pride itself on what a green town it is, trail town USA and all its other monikers and let Waste Management force us indoors. We absolutely should not be taking waste from NYC. Period. Any steps we take to reduce our waste consumption is a drop in the bucket, if we continue to take waste from NYC. Stop taking NYC waste. STOP TAKING NYC WASTE.



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Perinton has a reputation as a "green" community with its designation as Trail Town USA. We would like this perception to remain a reality under the looming specter of High Acres negative impact. The 8 items listed are excellent issues toward tackling present and future issues with #7 dealing with the volume of municipal solid waste coming from the 5-boroughs of New York City to High Acres Landfill being critical to eradication of current and future problems. I support the Town working with Waste Management to reduce the volume of municipal solid waste delivered to High Acres Landfill by rail from New York City to pre-2017 levels. As things stand Waste Management can not reasonably manage incoming waste delivered by rail to High Acres Landfill and responsibly control associated odors. If it means paying a little more in taxes for an improved quality of life in the long term it is well worth it. We are at a critical juncture in addressing all the issues and problems that High Acres has created...the time for serious action and solutions is now!

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Thank you for providing mulch and compost to residents. The service is an absolute win win! I use the compost every year to help beautify my property, while recycling natural products to help our environment. Please continue the service.

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i love the free mulch! another reason why i love living here!

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Could there be a summer long access pile somewhere? Maybe the Perinton Park site or if trucking is too expensive at a High Acres entrance?



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I love that we can bring our own household waste when needed.i hope the program continues

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We've used the bulk drop off at high acres about 10 times. It's saved use from having to rent ugly and expensive dumpsters throughout our home renovations. Hoping the residential program continues.

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This comment concerns 18 wheeler trash hauling trucks after they have left High Acres Landfill. There is a noise problem with respect to the operation of the landfill that greatly affects the quality of life for town residents, especially those who live on the residential streets along NY Rt. 31. After unloading trash at High Acres, empty 18 wheeler trucks use their engine brakes or Jake Bakes as they descend the hills within the town. The noise from these trucks literally thunders through the hills and valleys in the areas surrounding Southcross Tr., Selborne Chase, Mountain Rise Lane and Kreag Rd. This noise begins each weekday at approximately 7 AM and continues throughout the day. I am sure there are other Town of Perinton neighborhoods that are affected by this problem, as there are other hills on the truck routes from the landfill. Waste Management should address this issue with their customers, the trash haulers. A longer version of this comment along with some possible solutions is being sent directly to Supervisor Hanna.

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The odor notification system seems like a joke. I've called in (more than once), been told someone would come out, never saw anyone, then on one occasion was told it was verified by a town employee that no odor was detected. What is the point of this? So I smell it but they don't therefore it isn't a problem? Is there any other companies out there besides Towpath to do the verification of odor? How were they selected? What other options are there?

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Yes, its a value add having the discounted rate. I do not use it often. However, when cleaninging out the garage or basement, it is nice to have the option.

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The odor from the landfill must be significantly reduced or better yet eliminated. Complaints must be taken seriously and not simply brushed aside. This odor problem is a blight on our community! Waste Management can afford to do whatever it takes to eliminate the landfill odor.

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1. The town should be capping and closing the Perinton side of the landfill, while requesting the benefits listed in the HCA continue. The town's argument that it will "lose its seat at the table" if the landfill is capped and closed is disingenuous. A capped and closed landfill still has to be maintained and managed according to federal and state permits, and will still generate revenue for WM via the capture and conveyance of landfill gas which is converted to power and sold to the grid. It's my belief that the majority of landfill gas odors are caused by fugitive gases emanating from the Perinton side of the landfill, and permanently capping and closing that side will drastically reduce odor complaints, which should be the town's number one priority. Reduced revenue from WM to the town can be overcome by reducing spending, or a minor increase in taxes. The town is consciously keeping the landfill open by renewing the Special Use Permit, despite violations, simply to keep revenue coming to the town so spending can be maintained and taxes don't need to be increased, placing politics ahead of the well being of the community.
2. "MSW originating from the five (5) burrows of New York City and delivered to the Facility by rail shall not exceed ___% of the total permitted annual volume as referenced in Section XII of this HCA, and shall be measured on a monthly basis. This restriction does not reduce the annual volume permitted for this Facility."
 - a. This limitation of NYC waste is not specific enough to draw a conclusion on. More details are needed. Per the DEC, the site is permitted to take in 1,400,000 tons of waste per year (all inclusive). Supervisor Hanna has mentioned a 50% limit of the total permitted annual volume. That would equate to a 700,000-ton limit on NYC waste. 2020 NYC waste intake by rail was 646,000 tons. So, by using the numbers mentioned, the draft does not reduce the NYC intake when compared to 2020.
 - b. The draft should read that NYC waste should be reduced by 50% compared to 2020 intake amounts. That means going forward, NYC waste intake should be no more than 325,000 tons per year. It should NOT be based on a percentage of total permitted annual volume, it should be based on the number we currently see coming to the site, which we know is not manageable for WM. The decrease has to be meaningful to reduce odor risk going forward.
3. "WMNY shall not accept, by any mode of transportation, MSW for disposal at the Facility that is considered aged waste that has a generation time of greater than ____ days from its point of origin."
 - a. This limitation of aged MSW is not specific enough to draw a conclusion. More details are needed. We can draw experience from the odor event caused by the train derailment in 2019. Trash trains were diverted to Maryland for 3 weeks before being delivered to High Acres. The result was horrendous garbage odors in the community for a full week, due to those train containers being opened up after 3 weeks. The limitation on aged waste should be as short as possible for NYC waste by rail that still allows the scheduling to work for CSX and WM. I don't know if that's 3 days, 5 days, or something else, but it should not be any greater than necessary to make a normal delivery. The shorter this number can be made, the better for the community. Anything over than 7 would seem too long.
4. "NOTIFICATION MANAGEMENT PROGRAM"
 - a. Do not force the community to utilize the hotline. Residents are already inconvenienced by having to constantly deal with odors impacting their lives. The reporting tool should be as convenient as possible, and the residents were kind enough to develop their own mobile application which is accurate, timely, and provides better information than can be given on the phone by the resident (weather, coordinates). It's clear that the town, state, and WM think this tool is too convenient. If the town believes there are flaws with the mobile application, then the town should develop its own mobile application to use, or ask the state or WM to develop an application. The bar has been set, and we refuse to use a hotline like it's 1985.
 - b. Towpath cannot be used to investigate complaints. It is well documented that there is a significant conflict of interest for Chief Colella since his salary and department budget in Macedon is directly tied to revenue coming from WM. He's also partnered with WM to explore ways to exploit the methane to energy plan for additional revenue. Outside of the conflict of interest, Towpath has been consistently lying to residents when residents greet them after an odor complaint. They will tell residents they agree that there are odors present, then in their reports to WM and public officials, they deny odors existed. We have proof of this through documented interactions and FOIL documents. The Chief's wife has been on odor investigation trips by herself, as documented by community members. Nobody is sure if she is an official odor investigator working for Towpath or just covering for her husband. The community believes Towpath is only in place to help defend WM in court, and they are not an independent third party. They must be replaced by a company who is approved by the Citizen Advisory Committee.
 - c. Human evaluation of odors will always be flawed. Technology is available to measure odors, and the town should request that WM equip the odor investigators with that technology, so human error and corruption is removed from the equation altogether.
5. "PROPERTY VALUE PROTECTION PROGRAM"
 - a. Without the map of the area the town is requesting be covered, it is difficult to evaluate the program. More details are needed related to the covered area.
 - b. The program does not take into account a situation where the general housing market is "normal" or "slow", and the landfill odors spike like they did in late 2017 and 2018. With those market and landfill conditions, the 15% coverage below fair market value is not sufficient. The coverage should be 50%. If the percentage cannot be changed, then there needs to be a backstop to the program. WM should be forced to buy the property at the fair market value if the house cannot sell for 15% below fair market value and has been on the market for 6 months. That is a true property value protection program, that covers the residents during the "worst case scenario".
6. "OFF-SITE IMPACTS"
 - a. The "Actionable Levels" defined in the draft will not serve the community effectively. First, only complaints from the hotline are considered. The community refuses to use the hotline. Complaints from the mobile application MUST be considered. Second, based on the last three years of Towpath reports, the vast majority of odor complaints are refuted by either saying there are no odors, or minimizing the odors with a very low odor level (usually .5). Based on the chart in the draft, along with historical data from Towpath, there will never be an "Actionable Level" of odors that would require a response and action from WM. If the town wants the community to believe the chart in the draft will be effective, then the town should provide the historical data on what would be considered an odor event based on the chart as it is. In other words, over the last 3 years, how many "Actionable Level" events would have occurred if the chart in the draft was in place? Lastly, the chart will create confusion in the community. How odors are confirmed and what the definition of an "odor event" is needs to be very simple and straightforward. If it smells, it smells. Simplify the complaint process, the verification process, and the requirement of WM providing the reason and plan to remediate. The combined requirements of the hotline, volume of complaints, time to confirm the complaints, method to confirm the complaints, and rolling time limits all serve to complicate
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the process and minimize the amount of "Actionable Levels" so no remediation will be required. That is unacceptable for something that is supposed to benefit the community.

Thank you for taking the time to provide feedback. --Perinton Town Board



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Simply put, this agreement is a joke and does absolutely nothing to protect the Perinton community. Please stop with the nonsense and make an agreement that actually benefits the community you are supposed to serve. Stop the trash trains, cap the Perinton side permanently and stand up to WM. Do not belittle your citizens by "confirming odors" through an incredibly biased Towpath Investigators. What an insult!!!! I'm disgusted by each of you that allows this to continue. Your parents would be ashamed of you.

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The smell from the dump has gotten oppressive the past few years and I can't believe how far it travels and how often I can smell it. WM needs to take responsibility for this and take steps to resolve the issue. Their negligence is affecting property values and lifestyles for people living within miles of their property.

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The Community Host Agreement draft does not include enough detail and specific restrictions for Waste Management to effectively limit the current odor problem and does not offer enough protections for community members.

- The Perinton side of the landfill needs to be capped since it seems to be the main cause of the gases
- The waste coming from NYC needs to be reduced by 50% of the current volume it has been receiving, not 50% of the allowable annual volume. It is clear that the volume of garbage received from NYC in the past few years is not a manageable level for WM to handle.
- Residents should not be required to make a phone call to a hotline run by WM every time there is an odor incident. This is ridiculous in this age of technology. The App used by residents is very accurate and convenient. If the town/WM doesn't trust these results, then they should develop their own App for residents to use. Don't require residents to call the hotline. There needs to be a simpler more community friendly option, which is what the App provides.
- There needs to be an independent company, other than Towpath, with current technology used for confirming odor complaints. There is too much room for human error to have someone sniff the air to confirm or deny if there is an odor present. Each person has their own sensitivity level to odors and should not be told there is no odor when the person definitely smells it. This is basically calling the residents liars, which is unacceptable. There is technology that should be used to measure gas/odor levels in the air and not one humans opinion.
- Off Site Impacts should be just that, any odor that travels off site and is a nuisance to the community. It has been said that 4-5 odor episodes a year should be expected, which would be tolerable. The current level of odors, no matter how you measure it, is unacceptable. If it smells and the community is negatively affected by it, WM needs to be held accountable and make lasting changes instead of excuse after excuse.

Thank you for taking the time to provide feedback. --Perinton Town Board



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Hello. While I greatly appreciate the time and effort that has been put into this agreement I can't help but feel it does not go far enough to protect our property values, our quality of life and our health. WM has proven that operations at High Acres landfill can not handle the amount of waste coming in. Their systems are failing and continue to disrupt the lives of too many of Fairport, Perinton, Macedon and Penfield residents. I feel that the intake allowed should be drastically reduced and if reducing intake by at least half of 2020s intake is unacceptable to WM, then the talk should turn to capping the Perinton side. The way odors are getting investigated by utilizing Towpath is too subjective. There should be equipment involved in determining odors. Also, the system in which odor, noise and all other complaints are reported to the town is antiquated. The ability to report via text or APP is a reasonable expectation. Please consider what I and so many other residents are asking for. Thank you for your time and consideration.

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Based on the frequency of the odors I can tell you this. Based on your claims that they have 30 minutes to respond, they will be out there every minute of the day. The smell is now going all the way out to route 31 near lollipop farm and all the way up to the Wegmans in Penfield. It is now becoming such an issue that I smell it in the basement of my home.

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The amount of trash accepted from NYC must not be increased to 700kton/yr from the current level of 646kto/yr. The level needs to be decreased, significantly. Also, the trash trains need to be scheduled so that they aren't sitting open when there is no offloading scheduled and so that they aren't running in the dead of night, waking up my entire household.

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The language around the NYC waste needs to be more specific. The way it reads now could allow for an INCREASE which is unacceptable. We shouldn't be taking ANYTHING from NYC so at a minimum we need to build in a decrease:
Using a phone hotline and 1 man's noise to verify odor complaints is a joke. If you don't like the existing app then build one for us to use. As residents we are already inconvenienced by the smell (and it's not just people that live right by the landfill - even those in the village and farther away) so don't make our lives worse by wasting time on a call and waiting for someone to show up at our houses.
The property value protection information needs to be more defined. A map would be helpful.

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In regards to the upcoming agreement between the Town of Perinton and Waste Management.. before you sign anything PLEASE consider the thousands of comments and complaints from ALL the members of this community about the continuing and severe odors that emanate from the inadequately constructed and maintained Perinton side of the Landfill.

PLEASE read the fine print and do the math. If Waste Management promises to reduce the amount of waste from NYC, make sure it is an ACTUAL reduction from recent years and not a convoluted number reached by allowances, estimations and projections. The ACTUAL tonnage dumped is already unbearable! If they promise to reduce by half, it MUST be half of that ACTUAL number.

And for our health and safety PLEASE pin them down to a close and cap date on those remaining cells. We citizens of Perinton and our close neighbors deserve to regain our air quality!

Thank you for listening to my concerns.

Sincerely,

[Redacted]

Resident since 1978

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Capping and closing is the only option! Also, with "only" 646K tons of waste having been brought in from NYC in 2020, how does capping it at 50% of 1.4M tons benefit us?? That's still 10% more than we received in 2020! Come on - why are you trying to trick us, Hanna?

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Why are you people allowing WM to pollute my family and all of our neighbors? Its disgusting! We smell that dump every 2-3 days!

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The Town of Perinton MUST put an end to the dumping of NYC garbage in our town --for the sake of resident's health, our "Fair" town's image, and our property values.

Our community has voiced our dismay at the landfill's odor through the FAFE app, which collects real-time, location-specific data. Please study this data and use it to require Waste Management to properly shut down the influx of NYC garbage.

Besides the odor, the peace of Perinton residents is disturbed throughout the day and night by the continuous freight trains bringing NYC garbage through our neighborhoods. Just last night, I lay awake in my home on what should be a quiet cul-de-sac, as the din of freight trains rumbling by sounded like a semi-truck was idling just outside my bedroom window.

You were elected to represent the town's residents. We elected you because we believed you would work for the best interest of the town and its residents. Please do right by Perinton and end the transportation and dumping of NYC garbage in our town.

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NOTIFICATION MANAGEMENT PROGRAM (Item VII in agreement)

Mobile technology should be used, do not force the community to utilize the hotline. The reporting tool should be as convenient as possible, and the residents have developed their own mobile application which is accurate, timely, and provides better information than can be given on the phone by the resident (weather, coordinates). If the Town or Waste Management doesn't want to use the resident tool, please develop their own mobile app to be used. Towpath cannot be used to investigate complaints. It is well documented that there is a significant conflict of interest for Chief Colella since his salary and department budget in Macedon is directly tied to revenue coming from WM. He's also partnered with WM to explore ways to exploit the methane to energy plan for additional revenue. The community believes Towpath is only in place to help defend WM in court, and they are not an independent third party. They must be replaced by a company who is approved by the Citizen Advisory Committee. Human evaluation of odors will always be flawed. Technology is available to measure odors, and the town should request that WM equip the odor investigators with that technology, so human error and corruption is removed from the equation altogether.

The Town should be capping and closing the Perinton side of the landfill, while requesting the benefits listed in the HCA continue. Permanently capping and closing that side will drastically reduce odor complaints, which should be the town's number one priority. Reduced revenue from WM to the Town can be overcome by reducing spending, or a minor increase in taxes.

"MSW originating from the five (5) burrows of New York City and delivered to the Facility by rail shall not exceed ___% of the total permitted annual volume as referenced in Section XII of this HCA, and shall be measured on a monthly basis."

This restriction does not reduce the annual volume permitted for this Facility. This limitation of NYC waste is not specific enough, more details are needed. According to the DEC, the site is permitted to take in 1,400,000 tons of waste per year (all inclusive). Supervisor Hanna has mentioned a 50% limit of the total permitted annual volume. That would equate to a 700,000-ton limit on NYC waste. 2020 NYC waste intake by rail was 646,000 tons. So, by using the numbers mentioned, the draft does not reduce the NYC intake when compared to 2020. The draft should read that NYC waste should be reduced by 50% compared to 2020 intake amounts. That means going forward, NYC waste intake should be no more than 325,000 tons per year. It should NOT be based on a percentage of total permitted annual volume, it should be based on the number currently coming to the site, which we know is not manageable for WM. The decrease has to be meaningful to reduce odor risk going forward.

"WMNY shall not accept, by any mode of transportation, MSW for disposal at the Facility that is considered aged waste that has a generation time of greater than ___ days from its point of origin."

This limitation of aged MSW is not specific enough to evaluate, more details are needed.

Please recall the experience from the odor event caused by the train derailment in 2019. Trash trains were diverted to Maryland for 3 weeks before being delivered to High Acres. The result was horrendous garbage odors in the community for a full week, due to those train containers being opened up after 3 weeks. The limitation on aged waste should be as short as possible for NYC waste by rail that still allows the scheduling to work for CSX and WM. It should not be any greater than necessary to make a normal delivery. The shorter this number can be made, the better for the community. Anything over than 7 days would seem too long.

PROPERTY VALUE PROTECTION PROGRAM"

Without the map of the area the Town is requesting be covered, it is difficult to evaluate the program. More details are needed related to the covered area. The program does not take into account a situation where the general housing market is "normal" or "slow", and the landfill odors spike like they did in late 2017 and 2018. With those market and landfill conditions, the 15% coverage below fair market value is not sufficient. The coverage should be 50%. If the percentage cannot be changed, then there needs to be a backstop to the program. WM should be forced to buy the property at the fair market value if the house cannot sell for 15% below fair market value and has been on the market for 6 months. That is a true property value protection program, that covers the residents during the "worst case scenario".

"OFF-SITE IMPACTS" The "Actionable Levels" defined in the draft will not serve the community effectively. First, only complaints from the hotline are considered. The community refuses to use the hotline. Complaints from a mobile application should be considered. Second, technology should be used to measure the odor vs. human reporting due to the variability in people's sense of smell. Simplify the complaint process, the verification process, and the requirement of WM providing the reason and plan to remediate.

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The landfill still stinks, and this cannot continue. The community agreement needs to include expensive fines for creating a public nuisance. (Something that Waste Management won't just pay out and call a "cost of doing business".) Maybe the town could use the fines to pay for a residential composting program. Or maybe residents could get free trash pickup courtesy of WM for as long as the landfill continues to stink.

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Please reconsider putting this into practice. This does not add any benefit to the town and is not really changing anything

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1. The town should be capping and closing the Perinton side of the landfill. Keeping it open and in operation only continues the gases and odors to affect the community.
2. Waste from New York City by rail should be reduced by at least 50% of the 2020 intake. No one agreed to have High Acres become one of the largest landfills in the area by accepting such a large volume of NYC waste.
3. The odor reporting hotline is outdated and clunky, which makes many community members avoid it. I use it on a regular basis and it is a pain. Making a phone call, sometimes waiting on hold, manually giving information to someone recording it and then hoping that the odor is noticed and confirmed when Towpath is dispatched. The FAFE application is substantially better, easier, and more reliable than the telephone reporting method. This needs to become the standard by which odors are reported by and accepted by the DEC and Perinton.
4. Where is the map for the property value protection program? The details are needed for this before it can be approved by the community.
5. Off-site impacts. Again, the FAFE app or something of equivalent nature needs to be accepted as odor reporting. Only a small fraction of community members are using the hotline as it is much more bothersome and disruptive to their lives than the FAFE app. Smelling odors is already disruptive enough, so why make it harder for folks?
6. Accountability. It has been promised to the community numerous times over the years how they will be kept informed and up to date with regards to disruptive activity at the landfill. The generic email communications that used to be sent out years ago have stopped, and there are no updates at all at this point. Even when there are very smelly days, or everyone's house is vibrating from the landfill flare, the community continues to be kept in the dark. This needs to change as part of the agreement.

Thank you for taking the time to provide feedback. --Perinton Town Board



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I have to say I was excited to read the new HCA. Unfortunately, it doesn't appear to do anything new-you wrote up a nice way of saying that they are going to do everything they have already been doing...and we know that doesn't work. You should be capping the Perinton side and fighting the garbage coming from NYC! Your HCA does not list a specific tonnage that you are even willing to allow. You only list a blank %....what does that even mean? You already allow a ridiculous daily tonnage of 1.4 MILLION TONS PER DAY, so if your percentage is off of that it wont actually change anything as they are well below their daily allowed number. Example, 50% limit of the total permitted annual volume. That would equate to a 700,000-ton limit on NYC waste. In 2020 NYC waste intake by rail was 646,000 tons. So, by using the numbers mentioned, the draft does not reduce the NYC intake when compared to 2020 (you just write a nice way of saying it all stays the same). We are going to have the biggest mega dump in NY State sitting in our backyards thanks to the amount allowed/permitted (<https://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/23723.html>). And why are you trying to force residents to call a hotline?? Catch up would you, people use their smart phones and apps (even great grand parents). There is already an app to report, you need to incorporate it! You are falling for the WM old tricks, they want to force people to call because they know people hate calling and will eventually stop, this lets them say that the odor is improving. It is bad enough we have to deal with the odor stop making it more difficult, especially when there is already a free app that using GPS coordinates/ time and date stamp/ current weather indicators/ etc. How can you give any validity to WM's Towpath investigator? This guy is on their payroll! His livelihood is paid directly from WM. He also lies, he tells us he can smell it and that it shouldn't be like that and when we FOIL his report it comes back as there was no smell. If you need to have an investigator into whether or not your residents are lying it should be a true 3rd party, appointed by the Citizen Advisory Committee. This investigator should also be using current technology/equipment to measure the escaping gases and VOCs, and not his nose to determine the level of seriousness. Your Property Value Protection Program doesn't really state anything, where is the map showing the covered area? What if the landfill has another situation like we did in 2017, the odor was so horrendous we couldn't even stand outside for the school bus without getting headaches and feeling sick. If it got that bad, and the housing market was slow, the 15% protection would not be enough We should have 50% to protect against worst case scenarios. The part about Off Site impacts bothers me, again you can not force your residents to use a "hotline", its 2021 we have an app for that! If you do not want to use a 3rd party app then use your own app, but utilize technology, its better, faster, and accurate. Why would you say that only calls to the hotline will be counted?? This is straight from WM playbook. Stop pleasing them and start representing US! This is an incredible community and beautiful village. The little money we get from WM is not worth it, we would rather pay the \$26/year per adult (based on the revenue from WM divided by census adults) that it saves us in taxes. I would love to hear reasons and answers to my questions. Please, stop pleasing WM and start doing what is right for the residents in Fairport.

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When will the landfill be capped and closed? Th smell is awful.

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I don't feel that Perinton is doing enough to stop the stench from the dump! There are times that I cannot sit outside with the toxic odors. I walk on the crescent trail and find it hard to breath as well!! I believe that the town is putting Waste Management before listening to the community. Please listen to the people and put a stop to the garbage coming from NYC

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Insist on the aesthetics during off hours—no visible equipment or motorized vehicles visible on the hill during off hours. Establish a Line of Site Zone whereby all properties receive free trash pickup from Waste Management or a provider of their choice for properties within an agreed to radius of the facility. Trash fees are a hidden tax in the first place—at least negotiate a preferred rate and if a resident chooses a competitor have WM cover the difference between their rates and WM. Establish a timeline to convert the facility to greater waste to energy capabilities. Establish a higher tipping fee for anything not originated in Monroe County.

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Point 7 on the HCA indicates that the town will work to reduce the volume of municipal solid waste delivered to High Acres Landfill by rail from New York City to pre-2017 levels. The DEC currently allows High Acres to take in a total of 1.4M tons of waste per year. If the new agreement limits NYC waste to 50% of that 1.4M (700k), it will still be greater than the 2020 intake of 646k. Rather than reducing intake, this will permit 54k tons of additional NYC waste.

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I would like to see the town or people of the town select who provides the monitoring services as it is well known that WM has hired a biased party to do this monitoring. If WM has influence on monitoring then the reports will not be accurate. There are air monitors that could be used as well. I also think it is very inconvenient to call a phone hotline. Wouldn't money be better spent utilizing technology to gather complaints? The largest issue with the HA landfill is the train traffic with the trash that has been sitting on the train for days from NYC. There needs to be a limit on NYC dumping that actually brings their current volumes down, not cap their current volumes where they are currently.

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The smell coming from the landfill is not controlled in our area. We have an infestation of New York City bred Rats on our road in the winter. The rail traffic at night, unloading of rail cars during the day, and the smell they create are obnoxious and can sicken my stomach. [Redacted]

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I am taking this opportunity to add and update my earlier input:

In the proposed agreement there is no mention of capping and closure.
This should be the town's number one priority to ultimately addressing the odor issue!

The DEC currently allows High Acres to take in a total of 1.4M tons of waste per year. Supervisor Hanna has promoted that the new agreement would limit NYC waste to 50% of that 1.4M or, in other words, ~700k. However, in 2020, the NYC waste intake by rail was only 646k. This would permit ~54k tons of additional NYC waste.
As written, this draft does NOT reduce the NYC intake. It would, instead, potentially allow it to increase! Not a good plan at all.....a true and significant reduction leading to closure is the solution.

Is it true that Only complaints reported from the Waste Management run hotline will be considered when Perinton evaluates "Actionable Levels"? Why does the town refuse to acknowledge the accuracy of the real-time information provided to them by the FAFE App.
Let's get with the times and use the everyday technology that serves us best! We should all agree the reporting tool should be as convenient as possible, and community members were concerned enough to develop their own mobile application which is accurate, timely, and provides better information than can be given on the phone by the resident (weather, coordinates). It appears that the town, state, and WM think this tool is too convenient. If the town believes there are flaws with the mobile application, then the town should develop its own mobile application to use, or ask the state or WM to develop an application. The bar has been set, and we should not have to use a landline hotline like it's the 1980s!

There is much to be done above and beyond this proposed agreement to make things right.
I appreciate the opportunity to provide input but members of the affected community (a Citizen Advisory Committee) need to be at the the Table side by with Town & Village officials dealing with this critical environmental issue.

Thank you for taking the time to provide feedback. --Perinton Town Board



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The town should cap and close the Perinton side of the landfill. Enough is enough. The landfill has grown out of control and it is too close to an affluent suburb of Rochester. NYC trash should be even more restricted. They should dispose of their own trash closer to where it is created. We should be able to use an app to report odors - not call a hot line. We are currently using the FAF app which is very efficient. Verification of odors should be done by an agent that is NOT affiliated in some way to Waste Management. We have lived in the same house in Perinton for 38 years and we are completely disappointed and alarmed at the size of the growth of High Acres, the terrible smells that are emitted from there, and the negative impact that this landfill has on our neighborhood. In a buyers market, people won't buy these houses that are close to the landfill. Potential buyers will be warned of the terrible odors from the landfill and they will not buy anywhere near here. I have already read these warnings on the Nextdoor website and it is very sad to see.

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The town should be capping and closing the Perinton side of the landfill, while requesting the benefits listed in the HCA continue.

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Perinton has served as NYC's dumping ground long enough. Another town needs to take over.

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I have lived in Fairport for 30 years. I have noticed an increased frequency of both how often and intensity of putrid odor coming from the dump. The odor radius has increased. I worry about the long term health affects-will there be an increase in cancer clusters or other health issues. What are the long term affects of the spray that WM uses to cover the odors. Will people want to move to Perinton? Will Perinton become the next Love Canal? We have so much open land in this country, why are we continuing to have a dump in a residential area?

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I am in full support of capping and closing the Perinton portion of High Acres Landfill now. I fully understand that this would increase my yearly taxes, however the smell that permeates my enclosed front porch- even if infrequently, is disgusting and unacceptable. I am also concerned about the contents of the "spray" that is being used to cover up the scent of the landfill. I am concerned for the health impact that both the landfill, and the chemicals being used to treat the odors could have on my kids. Again, I would rather see the Perinton portion capped and closed and pay more on taxes than have it remain open and have it continue to stay open and a growing eyesore and community health concern.

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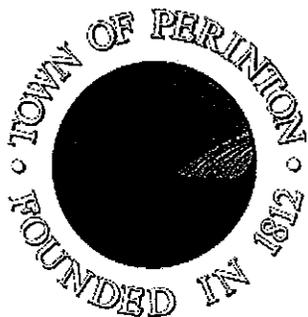
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1. One of my biggest concerns is that this Landfill be capped and closed! At the minimum the Perinton side should be closed. I understand the towns fear is the loss in revenue coming from WM, however even a closed and capped landfill can still generate some profit for WM. The emanating gasses can be turned into power and sold back to the grid. The additional loss in revenue to the town will need to be made up some other way, cutting spending, or a slight increase in taxes. We can no longer place our tax increases and politics ahead of the air we breathe.
2. The amount of trash coming from NYC by rail needs to be reduced. WM has proven they are not equipped to handle the amount of trash that was being sent in 2020. Therefore the limits we place on WM to not exceed, should be based off of the actual intake amount in 2020 which was 646,000 tons. The site is permitted to take 1,400,000 tons so simply adding a 50% limit would actually not be reducing the amount they can accept at all. The limit needs to be specific, we know they couldn't handle the 646,000 tons they accepted in 2020, so they should be limited to accepting 325,000 tons from NYC per year in order to be an effective limitation.
3. Also the 2019 train derailment, where they brought the NYC waste to us after 3 weeks of being in Maryland, was horrendous. They need to add a limit on the amount of time aged waste can be brought in from NYC. Give time for the actual shipment to take place and that's it, maybe 3-7 days.
4. The community took the time to put together a mobile app that was easy to use, and provided timely accurate information when reporting odors. It's bad enough we are having to take time out of our day to stop and have to report the contaminated air, now we have to call and use a hotline. Then when Towpath comes out it is clear that they are biased and corrupt. They tell our residents they can smell it, and then in their reports document that there was no odor at all. We need an independent party because towpath and Chief Colella are clearly biased, Chief Colella's salary and budget is directly influenced by revenues coming from WM. Whenever you are relying on human accounts there will always be some form of bias, why not insist that the investigators use odor tracking equipment, and remove the human bias from it altogether.
5. As far as the Property Value Protection Program goes, there were beautiful properties that in 2018 when the landfill odors spiked you couldn't have sold for half their property value. The 15% coverage below fair market value would not cover our residents in that type of normal-slow market. That percentage should be 50%. However if they won't change the percentage, and if the property has been on the market for 6 months and cannot sell at 15% below market value then WM should have to buy the property at fair market value.
6. Also, I didn't see anything that limits the times that they can bring waste into the facility. The banging and clanking of trains and trucks at all hours of the night, greatly impacts our residents and would not be tolerated if it were any other business.
7. Actionable event, if you going by towpaths accounts there will never be an Actionable Event. Until there is actually a third party that is unbiased giving these reports, WM will never have to take action on any of the minimized levels that towpath has been reporting.

Thank you for taking the time to provide feedback. --Perinton Town Board



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PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE focus on:

- 1) NO WASTE FROM NYC and other areas of NY state. THIS MUST GO BACK TO BEING AND REMAIN A LOCAL LANDFILL.
- 2) Officially and formally CLOSE the Perinton side of the landfill. Enough.
- 3) CAP the Macedon side of the landfill and DO NOT ALLOW it to become the "mega-landfill" that the Perinton portion now is!
- 4) Develop official rules and regulations that are FOLLOWED or else there are SEVERE PENALTIES to end increased noise, disruption and toxic smells with WMF's use of the railroad and, especially the tracks used by and around the HA Landfill, that NEGATIVELY IMPACT and EFFECT so many residents (please make sure to focus on the worst of it, which is at night and on the weekends).
- 5) FAFE Member on Sustainability Committee and other official boards of WMF, Town of Perinton and Village of Fairport. Those that are MOST NEGATIVELY IMPACTED by HA Landfill must have a seat at the table!
- 6) Honor, validate and deal with the fact that if a group like FAFE STILL exists and there is a CONSISTENT reporting of toxic smells, train noise, etc., there is an ONGOING, REAL and HARMFUL impact taking place for those of us who live near and/or in the general vicinity of HA Landfill. This is especially true for those of us who have students that attend Dudley and Northside Elementary Schools.

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I don't understand how you can allow these trains to bring garbage from New York City. We've lived in the Fairport area for 24 years. The stench has gotten out of control with the increased garbage from NYC. Most years prior to 2016 were fine with only 4-6 bad nights per year in the village. Now it's awful, and who knows how unhealthy. The town has been irresponsible and potentially destroyed a beautiful place to live. In 2016/2017, they said it was due to the tear and temporary. It was many, many months to reduce the smell, and now it's come back just like it was 4 years ago. You should be ashamed and removed from your positions for allowing this to go on. This is not the way to support your community.

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I have many concerns regarding this agreement:

1. I've lived here for 30 years, the odor didn't begin in 2017... it's been an ongoing nightmare for many years but no one would listen.
2. The hotline that Waste Management is providing is not advertised, nor should it be the only way to identify odors. There is a FAFE app that does the same thing in real time and has been used by many residents yet Waste Management does not want to recognize it. The Town needs to add this app to the agreement.
3. NYC garbage may be reduced by 50%, but let's look at the numbers... reducing a million pounds of garbage is still not enough! 500-700 hundred thousand pounds is still an unacceptable amount.
4. The Town of Perinton has the power to pave the way for future generations so they do not have to be exposed any longer to these odors. Do you really want to leave a legacy of being the stinky garbage town?

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I am very concerned about the impact of the High Acres Waste Management facility on our community. I live 4.5 miles from the facility, and I continue to wake up to the smell of the facility multiple times per year. I can tell the moment I open my garage door, where the smell gets trapped -- it is a very distinct and terrible smell that is easily identifiable. I am concerned that this will only get worse, as they continue to bring more and more garbage over time. I am especially concerned about bringing garbage from outside of the area/New York City. I can understand taking care of our own garbage, but we have to think critically and carefully about bringing in excess waste on an ongoing basis (and make the sensible decision not to do it)-- this is where we live, raise our families, and breathe!! I believe the facility should be capped. I am also concerned about the property values of our homes. I know I would warn anyone looking to move into the area to be careful and cautious about buying a home here due to the waste management facility and impact on quality of life. My children attended Northside/Dudley, and I know the smell was often powerful there which made me worried for their health and the health of the teachers and staff. I realize that we have monetary benefits from having the waste management facility in our town, but I do not feel it is worth it due to the long term damage that it will bring. We must intervene to stop its operation and growth in this area.

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We appreciate that the town is trying to improvement the impact of the High Acres Landfill. But it is our family's opinion that the new Host Community Agreement does not go far enough to make a noticeable positive impact on the problems stemming from the landfill. It is outstanding that there are included restrictions on MSW coming to the landfill from NYC via rail. The restriction percentage needs to be enough to make a REAL reduction in the quantity of NYC waste being accepted at the landfill. The quantity needs to be significantly less than what has been taken in over the last 4 years. We have heard "no more than 50% of the total capacity" mentioned... but, in our estimation, that percent would not make a real reduction in NYC intake. Also, please do not allow aged waste to be accepted. Obviously, time will elapse via the collection and transportation process, but it should be kept to only to what is necessary... maybe 5 days? One week at most.

Please ask Waste Management to provide an electronic way for residents to report odor complaints. The FAFE app has been a really easy way to do so, taking only moments to report, yet providing reporter information and location and odor details. I do call the hotline but find it very inconvenient to do so.... taking several minutes of my time versus several seconds. I'm not sure why there is a hesitance to use an app for reporting. I know that the longer the reporting time is, the less likely people will be to take that time. Please consider that a phone call is not always possible. I do not believe that people will report false claims... I wouldn't think to report unless I was truly smelling something. Honestly, why should we be inconvenienced in reporting something that shouldn't exist in our community? Allowing an electronic reporting means would increase quantity of reports when there is a true problem... in essence, these individuals would verifying the reports of others. If you receive a couple hotline calls, it may or may not a true concern.... but 20 reports via an app by unrelated individuals should give indication of a true impact.

The protection plan is appreciated. We were wondering why there is a 15% cap on the protection plan. 25% would be a number that would make us feel better. I'm not sure how the fair market value will be determined... but I know we should have market value beyond the assessed number.

Thank you for asking for input.

Thank you for taking the time to provide feedback. --Perinton Town Board



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Appreciate your efforts on this agreement. However, feel very strongly that you need to specify the requirement to stop continuing to add to the perinton side. They are unable to control what is there now. They are still required to maintain so that is not an issue if they cap and close the Perinton side. Also need to specify that the waste from NYC needs to be reduced and the allowable volume should be stated clearly. It appears that the town believes Waste Management is up front with them and "plays fair" unfortunately that is NOT true and they are a business trying to maximize revenue so will not be up front with the town. Please please please consider these points. We are an empty nest and will move out of this town quickly if things continue in this manner

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To TOP officials, I'm writing today to give a few concerns I have regarding the proposed HCA with Waste Management.

VI B 3c. I've heard the goal is to ensure NYC waste intake is no more than 50% of their total permitted capacity. However the state permitted amount is unrealistically high and my understanding is they never come close to that level and their total intake is closer to 50% of their permitted capacity. Therefore for this clause to have an impact their limit should be 25% of their permitted capacity can be NYC waste.

VI B 3e. I'm not sure what the normal time it takes for trash from NYC to get here but the limit here should be no more than 1 day more than the average time.

VII A. They should be required to provide a web based notification system that will be responded to 24 hours a day, not just a telephone number. If the town can make a google form to accept responses to this draft agreement then so can Waste Management. I don't want to have to call someone and potentially wait on hold hoping they properly took down my complaint when I could have a receipt of it with as little additional disruption to my activities. As someone who used to work in the outsourcing industry, this is truly not a big deal to implement

VII C. The trained individual evaluating the odor should be independent and not an employee or family member of Waste Management, Perinton, Macedon, Monroe county or Wayne County. This would ensure no conflict of interest and allow complaints to be fairly evaluated.

XV. D 20 days is simply too long to fix a smell. The old HCA I believe included language to the effect of off-site odors are not acceptable and now we're saying if 44 people only kind of smell it don't worry about it but if 45 people smell it then take the next 20 days to figure out why you can't do your job properly. This is going down the wrong path and we should have a tougher stance towards odors.

Exhibit C. The town should release a list of properties eligible before finalizing the HCA and allow for further comment.

Exhibit C III. I have an issue with the steps outlined to qualify for protection. It's saying I need to proactively notify WM that I plan on selling and then pay to get an appraisal of my property. I believe that adds a potentially unnecessary cost to the residents. I may think I can sell my house at market value and won't need to use the program but during my open house they have a 'bad day' or they decide to dig up a cell and the town stinks for 19 days and then my house sits. It would be better for the residents if the process allowed to try to sell the house without the program and then if after 3 months it's not sold you initiate the appraisal process and you can immediately lower your listing. This would also benefit waste management by them not need it to pay their appraiser unnecessarily as well.

Exhibit C. B it should be made clear that the appraisal should be done asking what the market price would be if the dump did not exist and they can use methods such as homes from other nearby towns or professional experience etc.

Exhibit C. C3 The programs protection should be active year round not just February through October. Not everyone has the opportunity to relocate only during the summer months. Additionally, they should pay more than 15% of the difference. If two independent appraisers said that without a nearby dump your home would sell for 300k but the highest offer you can get after 3 months is 200k why should that be my problem?

Additionally if the process on notification before listing isn't changed how I suggested how would a home listed in January but not sold by April be treated? According to this document it seems like it would be disqualified.

Thank you,


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I run on the canal path from Lyndon Rd towards Wayneport Rd and most of the time the odor is so nasty that I feel nauseated.

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Logic tells me that imposing a requirement on WM that all MSW must be covered within 24 hours or less of when it is collected at the source (e.g. residences, businesses) would significantly reduce the odor problem. Then there should be a large financial penalty on WM if that does not happen. They can then impose rules on the entities that dump waste at High Acres. I do not think that WM can be trusted to do anything according to "best effort" or to honor promises.

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I have lived in my house for 35 years but in recent years the odors have gotten worse. When I experience the garbage smells outside and inside my house I get very upset. I call the hot line and also note it on the FAFE app.....I also have the DEC person call me but that goes no where! The town's number one priority should be protecting our property values and reducing odor complaints.....now is the time to make a difference! When I have friends in the village complain of the odors I think that is totally ridiculous! I have lived in Fairport all my life.....we must be tough on Waste Management!

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Section VI B Monitoring: I recommend monitoring be the responsibility of the Town of Perinton with Waste Management providing the funding. The Town should take the lead on monitoring and determine the type and frequency of monitoring. Giving the responsibility for monitoring to Waste Management does not insure an independent, unbiased approach that the Town residents deserve.

[Redacted] Perinton resident for 40 years.

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The landfill continues to create a public nuisance due to its odor. The town should impose stiff fines for creating a public nuisance that will create a financial incentive for Waste Management to eliminate the foul odors once and for all.

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FWIW, I saved 1/3 of WM \$ by switching to B&N!

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With my family, I have lived in Perinton since 1994 in my current home; all my kids went to Fairport Public schools. We also live here a few years in mid 1980s so you see we returned here after a company transfer away.

Until a few years ago we smelled noxious dump (aka High Acres) odors maybe 2 or 3 times A YEAR. Since the expansion in size enabled by adding rail lines for NYC trash it has become multiple times A WEEK, yes each WEEK!

I am not sure the purpose of the new Host Community Agreement (HCA) because it seems to have absolutely no teeth or anything forcing behavior or business changes at High Acres by Waste Mgmt. (WM). What does enhanced monitored reporting and info sharing do? Nothing! when the underlying cause of the repeated noxious odors (massive expansion) is not addressed or required to change.

Fact is the town allowed WM to expand a few years ago with absolutely no concern for externalities inflicted on local residents. It's also tiring to see local politicians (town, county, and village) in both parties blame each other or their predecessors and then blame NYS DEC and NYC. Someone needs to own this once and for all!

When the dump was expanded in about 2016 and the prior agreement made in 2018, how come no public hearing or input solicited? Doesn't Open Meetings law require it? Why was the process hidden until signed with WM?? Frankly that stinks as much as the dump does.

Whereas I am glad to see now in 2021 request for resident input, I am skeptical that it matters even a whit since the draft is already well done, no doubt with WM input and agreement. Perhaps because of news media coverage this is done to placate local residents and really is a charade for upcoming elections.

Comments of the 8 points of the draft HCA:

1. What is different NOW, 3 years after the 2018 secret agreement? I see nothing requiring actual odor reduction just reporting and monitoring.
2. What's the point of just enhanced reporting a human-made problem? It resolves nothing, requires no changes by WM and resident's concerns are routinely ignored and dismissed already.
3. Continued and improved info sharing is worthless since it resolves nothing, requires no changes by WM and resident's concerns are routinely ignored and dismissed already.
4. New odor notification program is also worthless. The odors are unlike weather related hazards or random accidents. The odors are a 100% human-made problem.
5. Just more gibberish on updating or upgrading notification not odor reduction or elimination.
6. Providing written justification for odors is pointless (see # 2 and 3)
7. Restricting rail loads to pre 2017 sounds good but does nothing about the trash and biohazards (feces) trucked in nor does it address the addition of the rail line before 2017 with increased capacity of the dump.
8. Referencing the secret 2018 study on bio hazards (euphemism for dried feces) makes one wonder what anyone has done in the past 3 years about it. Evidently nothing.

So my reading of the draft HCA and the presentation (on the town website) really didn't address my concerns. It appears that the purpose is to acknowledge the uproar of many local residents and whitewash away the real problem – the increased trash and feces in the dump just with more explanations and communication or reports.

I realize we all generate trash and bio waste and it has to go somewhere. No one wants a dump in their back yard, especially one that smells often. Of course reduction of trash created, enhanced actual recycling and meaningful composting are all necessary too and I have tried personally to do all 3. What makes absolutely no sense is transporting NYC trash and feces HUNDREDS of miles - whether by rail or truck (and no doubt the railroad and trucking companies align with WM on this too) to dumps upstate. What a stupid way to create more greenhouse gases too.

But local politicians liked secret deals with WM for decades so they could say taxes are lower because of it. If so, it's by a few dollars compared to other local towns. I predict the HCA will be approved as is: odors remain and the town will check off the item "get resident input" and move on.....

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I've lived in Perinton since 1997 at two separate addresses. There is direct correlation of unacceptable odor levels, and the amount of trash arriving by rail (the noise in the middle of the night, shaking house, explosions, etc. are far outdone by the stink). The occasional whiff of stink when the wind was just right has been displaced by multiple events throughout the year, with MUCH greater intensity, frequency and ancillary issues (do they DROP the rail cars from 20ft in the air to empty them at 12am?) WM clearly cannot handle the influx without negatively impacting taxpaying property owners. And they most definitely don't care. They spend their time and money influencing politicians, buying favors, and stop gapping systemic issues. I've tried to remain optimistic our local leaders would protect our best interests, but that hope has faded. Not a single item in the proposed HCA imparts any kind of "teeth" for WM to be held at all accountable. It's full of empty words and zero detail. What are the pre-2017 levels (not provided)? Who will be doing the odor verification (a vendor friendly with WM)? Odor event accountability? What does that even mean? I pay WM the exact same amount for curbside pickup as our neighbors in Penfield. Why? How many residents take advantage of drop-off at High Acres? How many have curbside pickup? Even the perceived benefits being pitched to residents are weak. WM is committed to nothing but \$\$\$ from NYC to dump in our backyard. I'd rather have mediocre little league fields and higher taxes, and town officials that are looking out for my family and neighbors, not to mention property values. As I read it, there is nothing comprehensive about the proposed HCA and further detail needs to be presented to residents.

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WMNY should not be allowed to continue to operate the Perinton side of the landfill until they can demonstrate that they can reduce odors. If that means capping and closing the Perinton side of the landfill, so be it. Overall, this HCA doesn't seem to have enough "teeth" in it to drive any kind of meaningful change in outcomes (i.e., a reduction in disgusting odors).

Regarding how much MSW can come from the 5 burrows of NYC, the HCA does not provide enough specifics. Depending on the "shall not exceed %" this could end up being NO REAL REDUCTION in NYC trash. The HCA should provide a SPECIFIC volume % reduction (as compared to 2020) or a not to exceed total volume number. The HCA could potentially allow for ongoing increases in NYCMSW over time if WMNY demonstrates that it can effectively manage (reduce) odor complaints and maintain acceptable levels below a defined threshold.

Regarding the Facility accepting "aged waste", the HCA does not specify the number of days ("greater than ___ days"), so it's hard to know how to interpret this. I would think that an acceptable # of days should be no more than a few (i.e., 3).

Regarding the Notification Management Program, there should be more convenient reporting channels aside from a telephone hotline. I submit complaints via an app and it seems to work fine, and it is extremely convenient. I suspect most complaints are submitted via this app than via the hotline. We should at least have a mobile app. It's 2021. Also, for whatever means are available for residents to submit their complaints, the Town should be doing more to make residents aware of where and how to submit a complaint than just "posting the hotline number in public areas (town offices, meeting halls, etc.) and on its website". The Town has many other means to make the public aware of how they will be able to notify WMNY and the Town about odor complaints and should be utilizing all possible avenues. Accurate reporting of odor complaints is the only way the Town and its residents have to measure whether odors are getting worse, better or staying the same, and if the HCA is affecting this problem in any meaningful way.

Also, the Town should ensure there is no conflict of interest between the "responder who is trained to evaluate odors" and WMNY. I've heard that the "trained responder" firm is run by the Chief of Police of Macedon and he and his department budget have some tie-in to WMNY. This would be too big of a conflict of interest, which the Town and its residents cannot risk - considering that, again, accurate and honest representation of odor complaints is the most important means we have to determine how accountable and effective WMNY is with correcting this problem. The Town should insist on having an truly unbiased party in such a critical role.

Also, isn't there proven technology that is able to measure odors?

Regarding the Property Value Protection Program, there is no map provided. Also, 15% of the Fair Market Value does not seem adequate. So, hypothetically, if Fair Market Value is \$300k and I have to sell for \$150k, then WMNY would only pay me \$45k? So I'm still out \$105k because of the landfill if all I can sell for is \$150k? If this ends up being the case, the Town will have bigger problems to deal with that I'm sure you don't want to contemplate.

Regarding Off-Site Impact, it is hard to decipher how meaningful the "Actionable Levels" table is. What would be helpful is if the Town provides the residents with a simple report showing how the odor complaints over the past few years align with this table in the HCA. If this historical look-back doesn't result in several "Actionable" events, then this section of the HCA is worthless and needs to be revisited.

Thank you.

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1. The agreement does not mention capping and closure of the Perinton side. The General consensus is that many of the odor are coming from that side due to a number of factors and the biggest way to reduce that would be to cap And close that side. This should be written in immediately.
2. It's false information to say that you are reducing the intake from 50% of the max allowed. It's public knowledge that even with the train trash being brought in it is not meeting the DEC maximum. So reducing the amount of trash by 50% of the DEC's maximum allowed does an actually reduce the amount of trash coming in by train by 50% at all, but based on 2020s numbers it would actually allow New York City to increase the amount of trash trained in. This is completely unacceptable.
3. The FAFE app is the most real time and up-to-date and reliable source of reporting. Waste management has partnered with Towpath investigative services which is a complete conflict of interest as the Macedon police chief also runs this and is no unbiased third party by any stretch. It is well documented the amount of time it takes for an investigator to come and "Sniff" out the odors, not to mention their "scientific technology" a.k.a. using their nose to then either justify or falsify a residence claim. It's a complete slap in the face to suggest that this biased "third party" can determine whether or not a resident is making an accurate claim or not. The town should work with fresh air for the Eastside to utilize their technology and act like a partner instead of an enemy.
4. There's no mention of how you are going to help residents that live along the rail spur decrease the noise pollution that they have suffered with. The shaking of foundations the overnight noises are just as polluting and detrimental to life in this town as the odors are. The increase need of the industrial deodorizers for residents that live nearby is also very disturbing. Reducing noise pollution needs to be addressed.
5. As high acres spans of cross two towns and two counties is there any sort of agreement before the two towns so that one doesn't make a drastic change that directly impacts the other. How are the two towns going to work together to create a sustainable solution for the residence that it affects?

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Comments: *

The town should be capping and closing the Perinton side of the landfill, while requesting the benefits listed in the HCA continue. We live close to Penfield in Perinton and can smell the landfill here! The health of Perinton residents does not have a price tag on it. We are the dumping grounds for NYC and the endless odors for the landfill permeating all corners of Perinton needs to stop.

The decrease in waste taken from NYC should be set amount of tons and not a percentage—the landfill has not been able to manage the additional waste taken in from NYC. It functioned fine as a local landfill and has been nothing but problems since taking on all the NYC trash.

Using the hotline and having the corrupt Towpath doing investigations are both horrid practices. We have an app that provides timely data. Calling the hotline is a time-consuming process and by the time someone makes it out hours later the smell can be gone if the wind shifts. Towpath has a long list of conflicts of interest and does not report the truth. The town should really use independent investigators that have no ties to Waste Management or a municipality and does use arbitrary non-scientific methods to decide if an odor exists. Technology is available to do this. The town has set up a system to take no ultimate action by requiring residents to use an old-school hotline, Towpath and its sketchy methods, and ultimately decide those of us who report odors are lying. The Town needs to trust its residents and their experiences and not bow down to whatever Waste Management wants. The dump is the worst part of Perinton and has drastically and negatively affected the quality of life for so many residents—with complaints falling on deaf ears at the Town. To restore trust and show the community you understand that you serve us, and not a corporation, you should cap and close the Perinton side of the landfill.

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The landfill is a public nuisance for Fairport, decreasing the quality of our air. No amount of early warnings will change and improve that. Please tell the community exactly what Fairport gets out of the landfill or close it.

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Anything short of capping and closing the Perinton side of High Acres is not good enough for our community. It is obvious that this landfill no longer serves this community. Rather, it serves NYC and the local politicians who have sold our community's soul for their own personal benefit.

It's about time that our local government puts the needs of our community before the needs of themselves and NYC. We don't need NYC trash, we don't want NYC trash, and we are tired of dealing with the smell of NYC trash. Our local politicians have taken one of the Top 100 Places to Live and turned it into a dumping ground for NYC. Enough is enough! Shut it down!!

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Thank you for providing me with the opportunity to comment on the draft Host Community Agreement. I will provide some specific comments, followed by some general observations.

Section IV, Paragraph B 3 b:

This restriction does not prevent the High Acres Landfill from accepting large quantities of MSW other areas of the country. As such, WMNY could replace the waste coming from the five boroughs of New York City with an equivalent amount of waste from one or more other areas. Hopefully this is not the intention of the HCA. Given that this provision of the HCA is very limited in coverage, I suggest that this paragraph be replaced with a more general statement that would limit the amount of MSW coming from any area, not just the five boroughs.

Section VII, Paragraph A

I suggest that citizens should be provided with a telephone hotline as well as a smartphone application for the receipt of citizen complaints regarding Facility operations.

Section VII, Paragraph C

Some citizens have raised concerns about the integrity of the responders who have been dispatched to investigate odor complaints. I suggest adding a statement to the HCA that states that responders shall not have a conflict of interest, or give the appearance of a conflict of interest.

Section VII, Paragraph F

Citizens of the Town, as well as representatives of the Town, should be provided with full and timely access to the complaint log.

Section XV:

The draft HCA addresses incoming sources of odor to the landfill, however it does not include provisions for apriori steps to eliminate sources of odor that may originate from waste that is already present in the landfill. I suggest that this is a major gap in the draft HCA. WMNY should be required to take appropriate steps to eliminate the possibility of odor originating from areas of the landfill that are not currently accepting waste. WMNY should be required to permanently close, cover, cap, or take other steps that are consistent with the current state of the art to eliminate these areas of the landfill as sources of odor.

Exhibit C:

The terms of Property Protection Value Program are unreasonably onerous and complicated, making it likely that many property owners will unknowingly or accidentally violate these terms. For example, it is unreasonably intrusive to require that property owners notify WMNY in advance of their intention to sell, as this might effectively prevent a property owner from accepting an unsolicited purchase offer from a potential buyer. It is also unreasonable to require property owners to obtain an appraisal of the fair market value of the property prior to listing their property for sale. It is also unclear if the appraisal process, as described in section B, must be completed before the property can be listed for sale. There are also no established Remedies if WMNY does not adhere to the terms, for example by not obtaining the appraisal of the fair market value in a timely fashion.

General Observations about the draft HCA:

1. There are many areas where the draft HCA is missing specific details. For example, section IV, Paragraph B3 a states "...shall not exceed ___% of the total permitted annual volume...". What is the value of "___%"? There are numerous other examples of such omissions through the document. It is impossible for a Town resident to form an overall opinion on the draft HCA, or to provide specific and (hopefully) helpful comments, when so many details are missing.

2. After reading the draft HVA, it is obvious that the leadership of the Town continues to consider the fees and free services provided by WMNY to the Town as highly valuable. While the draft HCA does contain some provisions that may provide some relief to residents who continue to suffer from the negative aspects of the landfill, it is apparent that the Town Leadership does not want to risk losing those benefits. This suggests that the Town leadership is prioritizing these benefits above the harms that residents continue to incur. I suggest that Town leadership needs to begin actively explore options for eliminating this dependency on WMNY.

Again, thank you for allowing me the opportunity to comment on the draft HCA.

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Our residence is very much affected by the odor that is caused by the land fill. When the wind is blowing from the NW it means that the stink of the landfill will be in the air. This can be as often as 7 days a week and at the min a couple days each week. This makes outdoor activity like enjoying the deck, taking a walk on the canal trail, just about impossible as the smell can be VERY strong. I don't understand how so much garbage is allowed to come in from NYC. This has to be contributing to the foul odor.

Does Perinton and Macedon want to me know as the garbage dump for NYC? Its encouraging that the town has developed a program to deal with these problems because they are serious. It appears that the dump is at a tipping point and that further taking in waste from NYC will spoil the quality of life in these two canal towns.

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I'm very unhappy with the new proposed Host Community Agreement. I also feel it is negligent of the town to have let this extreme amount of time pass from the time the previous agreement expired to even beginning this process.

Cap and close the Perinton side- and stop pretending it will change the fact WM is still required to maintain it despite it being closed, this is beyond misleading.

The way the wording states a reduction of total NYC waste it seems ok until you realize it's more than this past year. It needs to be half of last year not half of allowed. It is absolutely clear WM is not capable of managing the current volume no matter what the reason the odors clearly show the inability.

Waste that has been sitting for more than 7 days should not be permitted end of story! I can drive to NYC in 6 hours. If something happens it's not a Perinton resident problem to have to deal with. It's a NYC or WM problem and they can find a new place for the garbage or ensure it's timely.

Towpath and the hotline - are you serious?

The app is convenient and every time I open to report my pin is surrounded by many many others. Yet we have seen towpath deny the odor. Perinton should be inclined to believe the many many residents complaining. There is also equipment that could be far more factual. The town should hire a third party with no ties to use this type of equipment and require WM reimburse the town for cost of this service and equipment. Nose blind is a thing and odors are very real. It should be far more scientific.

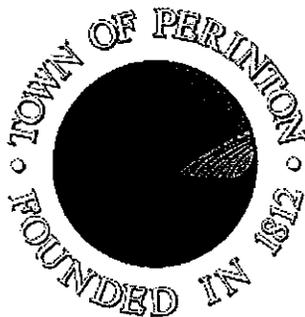
Property protection- I realize the houses are selling in Fairport like crazy but at the growth rate of the landfill the area of homes in the stink zone is going to increase. If WM feels there is not odor or a problem like they claim, then an agreement to purchase a home if not sold in 6 months at 15% below market value shouldn't be a problem. Your ability to be covered should be decided by the number of complaints posted near your address over the last 3 years. Winds shift and it is NOT just the one neighborhood that is affected. I also didn't see any map to indicate the area.

Actionable levels are diminished in every way. Towpath refutes claims consistently. Does the board and supervisor think the residents are all lying? I frequently complain at school drop off and know the teachers and staff report and smell it too. Does the town think the FCSD is full of liars? If it smells it smells end of story and it shouldn't smell if the landfill is capable and taking in only what they can manage. I'm tired of excuses- it rained too much, it's cold, it's hot. This is what it has been like here all my 40 years in the area. If this climate is too hard on a landfill then WM should have chosen a different location.

A private company's interests are NOT my concern and should not be the concern of the town board or supervisor. If they can't keep the odors down then the numbers should be reduced until it's controlled. NYC garbage is not my concern either, there should be an incinerator built closer and used. Many many other countries are utilizing this technology and it works extremely well. This landfill system is antiquated, but it's far less expensive to pollute and destroy land. WM is making millions doing it.

This agreement is more of a mirage than anything else. No real change and all the benefits are for a private company not the community. I have a hard time understanding why our town supervisor is allowing this exploitation. I'm tired of all the excuses we all know what's happening and the town should be protecting its residents and community. If this continues no one will want to live in Fairport. The massive mountain that is proposed for Macedon, will be so tall all of Fairport will stink. There will be air traffic lights on top and there will be no mistaking the atrocity that has been allowed. To all the board and supervisor, do you want your legacy to be - allowing WM to destroy Fairport. If this agreement remains that is exactly what you will be remembered for.

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I am 100% NOT in favor of importing trash from NYC. The smell, the noise, the RATS, and the trash are not fair to our community.

As a point of reference, I am in [Redacted]

Just because some of us are not impacted does not mean it's not a problem. It is.

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1. The town should ask WM to cap or close the Perinton side of area to eliminate the uncomfortable odors around our residence.

The town of Perinton needs stop playing around with WM and stop getting money from WM. Things are not getting better but worsen. Recently, the odor is around my area more than 2018 level. And all what I am hearing from WM is "we took actions for community".. The town will need to request measurable actions with timeline. I don't think this HCA will help our community but just giving WM time to play us around another few years.

2. The town needs to request WM specific requests and actions, and how to monitors it.
Example a. This limitation of NYC waste is not specific enough to draw a conclusion on.

3. The town should request and ask how many days the garbage/human waste by railways from NYC took from there to the HA Landfill. The odor is hugely involved depend on how many days to get here.

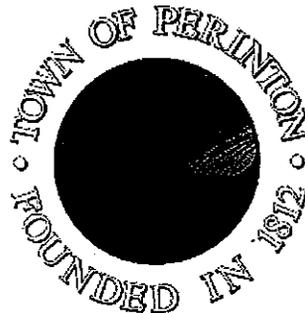
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The town of Perinton residence already have great odor reporting system done by FAFE. It is app that we can use to report odor complains. The odor hotline is not helping our community since it doesn't leave the details and most importantly it is not convenience. The Perinton resident won't use to since it takes time and cannot see the result by reporting. This FAFE app include all the details include the exact location, time, what kind of odor and level, wind directions and history to track all the complaints. Why we waste time by ceating new system working with WM. Just use the system we already have and ask them utilize the app for them to take corrective actions.

6. The town should ask WM use FAFE mobile app to take actions. We, our resident won't use their 24/7 hotline since it is not convenient. App has much more details. I hear WM said there is not much complaints or reduced odor complaints in 2020 but it is not!!! Utilize the mobile app we already have or develop the app which has same level of details by working with FAFE app developer.

7. Also HCA should be more specific about what we are looking for. List intake # of what is pre2017 level means by when.

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We grew up in this wonderful town when the dump was privately owned. It was suppose to last this community for the foreseeable future, it was a giant pit. Now its a gigantic mountain that doesn't serve this community anymore except with gross odors that make you want to go throw up. What longterm health effects is this doing to our community breathing all these nasty odors in. I truly worry about the long term effects on our kids. Why would Perinton be so reckless in destroying our community letting hundreds of thousands of tons of trash from NYC to be brought to our wonderful community. Over a dollar, not something that makes my family happy. You as the citizens voice should have said NO. Now we have no room in our local landfill to take our LOCAL trash and now we have to deal with an odor that makes you go in your house and shut the windows. There are so many wonderful outdoor areas we should be able to enjoy if it wasn't for the SMELL. Waste Managements attempts at making the odor better are NOT WORKING and if they can't get the dump under control then they need to close it. The Waste Management \$1200 Payoff that was offered was a joke, how about we start thinking of our own community and not somewhere elses. When it comes to the dump i'm afraid to say WE COME FIRST.

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I also need to mention that the never ending crashing, honking and noise from the all the trains that are bringing the trash from NYC has to stop. The noise is all hours of the day and night mostly in the early AM. I have reached out to the supervisor in the past about the noise and house rattling. As the only voice for the citizens you need to make this stop.

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I do have some concerns about the community agreement. I do believe the town is trying to make things better for the community however there are thinks lacking in the agreement. I hope you consider my comments.

I don't understand why requesting the stoppage of incoming NYC trash is a problem. I have heard comments that "we lose a seat at the table" but I think we lost it long ago. Until the copious amount of complaints came in, nothing was done to contain this huge amount of trash. The old argument was it reduced our taxes but that isn't enough for me. I would rather an increase in taxes or look for ways to reduce our spending. I believe the reduction in taxes is only about \$200 a year per household. My personal opinion should be that NYC/WM build an incinerator and not bring any here. I know this probably going to happen, but I like to dream.

The idea of reducing trash from NYC is a move in the right direction, but instead of % we need to put a number to it. In reading the Report about amounts we had in 2020. If we use a number instead. The permit is 1.4 tons so reduction is to 700k, 2020 was 646k which isn't a reduction at 50% as the agreement states. I would like to see it state 50% down from 2020 number or about 325k. That is a major reduction.

Timing and age should be careful written out. I remember when the trains were stuck for an accident and when they arrived the smell was awful. If it is written out in the exact number of days for travel, that would put more pressure on WM than us, we shouldn't have to get the brunt of the smell it's their business that is affecting my life.

The way we have to notify them of issues is a pain and frustrating. We have to call a hotline, speak with someone with the information then sometimes it is followed up with. I have had times where when they did arrive it was hours later and said there is no smell. Only once was told there was a slight smell and that was the day that was horrendous. I know there is an app that someone designed which is very easy to use, but since the town or WM doesn't have one, I think these groups believe it is overused when it's not. I don't understand why if there is a smell from multiple calls it isn't considered an actionable event. There is obviously a problem if there are many complaints. Why can't the town work with WM instead of "confirming" the smell, have WM take action. Having a car come by to see if it's real is very insulting. I want the town to back me up. I want my town as healthy and happy as the town government so there needs to be something talking about this. Our residents don't lie, please back us up.

I love Fairport and want to keep it growing but not harming. Have you ever driven by Seneca landfill? It smells horribly even with the windows closed. We don't want that to happen here.

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MISCELLANEOUS COMMENTS

COMMENT 1:

The second sentence in Section IV.B.4 should be modified to read:

"Town approval for the classification of a waste as a Beneficial Use Material is not acceptance of new Beneficial Use Materials is required."

The concern here is there are many of these materials defined in NYSDEC regulations and some may not be acceptable to town residents.

COMMENT 2:

Sections VII.A and B should be modified to add "and a smart phone app" after each reference to a hot-line telephone number.

COMMENT 3:

Section VII.C needs to be modified to include odor concentration measurements in addition to odor intensity (n-butanol scale). Consideration should be given to the use of in-field olfactometers. Training citizens to implement a citizen monitoring program using olfactometers can be part of an interactive and effective community outreach program. All of the text in this section should be deleted and new wording added to read:

WMNY will investigate the complaint in a timely manner, by dispatching a responder who is trained to evaluate odor intensity on the n-butanol scale and odor concentration with an olfactometer along with the duration from the complainant. The responder will arrive at the complainant's address in no less than 30 minutes.

COMMENT 4:

A new requirement should be added to Section XVII to read:

WMNY will arrange for third-party compliance audits to be conducted every three years to verify compliance with all applicable environmental regulatory requirements. A report of the findings should be presented to the CAC and corrective actions should be followed up with them.

Please feel free to contact me at [REDACTED] if you would like my help or have any questions.

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Comments: *

1) The hotline should not be a single source for assessing community response to the Waste Management Perinton Landfill problems. The community is not using the hotline as it is deemed ineffective. The FAFE app should be at least one additional source. The Town of Perinton should intervene to ensure that input is as robust as possible in assessing community complaints. Relying on the hotline alone confirms that the Town of Perinton is not really interested in assessing the truth about community impact.

2) Property values have been impacted. A broader view of the real estate market must be taken to better calculate real property values and the the offset created by WM Perinton dump impact to those values. WM should be responsible for purchasing properties that are unable to sell at 15% below the the real market rate.

3) The financial and political issues of collusion between Towpath and WM is well known. The Town of Perinton must recognize that information from this source is not accurate or reliable.

4) The Perinton side of the WM dump should be capped and the volume of NYC waste still coming into the dump should be monitored regularly to manage volume and age of the waste. The community is well aware of the tactics that WM employs including NYC dumping late at night around midnight when there is no one to evaluate what is happening. We hear the noise created by the late night dumps. Perinton Town needs to wake up and pay attention to what WM is really doing and help to enforce stated DEC limits.

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Waste reduction – Reduce the waste from external areas – NYC. Imperative. For the past three years I have heard about technical odor reduction actions and they have not worked. Odor replacement is a solution. The amount of waste accepted at this facility must be significantly reduced. I agree with the proposal from Fresh Air for the Eastside (FAFE) – 50% reduction from current levels is a good start.

Reporting – I use the FAFE app for reporting odors. I do not over-report and if anything, I under-report. The app is convenient. If this was just a few occurrences every year I would probably write emails and place phone calls but the odors occur so often that these other methods of reporting are unacceptable. All public information about the landfill should include the odor complaints from the FAFE app.

Environmental Monitoring – I request internet accessible information of real-time environmental conditions around the area plus the historical data. Also we need a simple and easy to understand explanation of environmental data.

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I am tired of the rhetoric coming from the town of Perinton and waste management. It is always positive in that they are doing the right thing but the issue still continues. Tired of hearing all of the excuses.

The New York City waist that is being excepted should be drastically reduced or halted altogether. That will never happen because money is involved. When money is involved it is the root of all evil. Also, the parents inside of the landfill should be capped and closed. My belief is this will eliminate much of the odor.

I honestly believe that the Town of Perinton will never do anything to improve the situation. The reason for this is that money is at the basis of this. It is unfortunate that this cannot be totally corrected.

Whenever an outdoor party as planned you have to hope and pray that the smell is not present. What a way to live.

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I would like an explanation for the relationship between Towpath and WM. The "independent" verifier is anything but. Towpath ownership is connected to Macedon, who benefits financially from WM. Towpath is NOT independent. How is this fact ignored? How are we relying on a business owned by a Macedon leader to determine if indeed the dump has odors? This is a conflict of interest at the highest level. Fairport leadership has been afraid to call this out and confront this fact. Until fairport does so, the community will distrust and lack respect of leadership. Many of us would respect our leaders for finally taking a stand.

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- IV.B.5 Should be re-written: No portion of the Facility shall be used for the construction or operation of a solid waste incinerator, including, but not limited to, an incinerator to energy facility.

- VI.D: Does that advisory committee have any teeth? Or is this just for show? Please expand.

- VII.A: At minimum, the hot-line number must also be text compliant. Preferred parallel path would be a mobile application or web site. This should be more than easy to setup for a multi-million dollar organization such as WMNY.

- VII.C: At or near ... near must be defined as appropriate radius, defined in S.I. units. GPS locations much be provided from where and when measurement equipment was setup. Should also be updated to read " shall not exceed 30-minutes from the time of the call".

- VII.D: Complaint log must be made public and visible via a web site or publicly electronic portal.

- VII.F: As soon as practical, but not exceed 5 business days

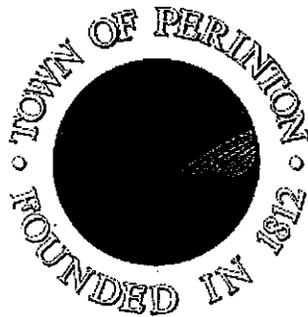
- VII: How is this area defined? Does it include a radius of all residential homes with the area where any complaint has been filed? Is it purely a radial measurement from the extent of the bounding-box of the facility? This section is insufficient in its description of terms and implementation. Exhibit C is equally failing.

XII.D: Last sentence should be clearer: "... 4,500 yards per year (compost and wood chips, each)."

General:

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I am sick of needing to report the smell via the hotline and have corrupt Towpath come out and minimize the smell on the report. My family has lived in Magnolia Manor for a year and have had 10-15 nights outside by a campfire COMPLETELY ruined by the smell. It is inexcusable.

Take accountability and fix the problem. We are sick of your empty promises and buzz words. We are not here for you to manipulate. We are here for you to advocate for.

Fix this problem

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It is very clear the town has zero interest protecting the members of this community. Based on the numbers provided, The amount of waste coming from NYC to High Acres Landfill would be able to increase and the issues of noise and smell in our community won't be getting resolved. This agreement is only in the best interest of the landfill and the wording being utilized is to trick the community into thinking this will solve all of the problems.

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There are local people much more informed than me on the exact issues going on with the landfill, so I will defer to them on the specific action needed. I just wanted to say that in general, I urge you to take the strongest action absolutely possible to reduce the NYC waste that is coming into Perinton.

I know it's difficult to assess the true impact it has had on home values and population growth, so I wanted to offer my perspective as someone who recently bought a house in the Pittsford school district in part because I think the landfill problems have already jeopardized Fairport. There were of course many reasons we chose the house we purchased, but if not for the landfill I likely wouldn't even have considered a home outside the Fairport School District. I grew up in Fairport and my family and friends live here. However, after renting a place off of Macedon Center Rd from 2018-2019 (west of Hamilton Rd, so not even where most of the odor complaints come from) I witnessed firsthand the problems that always got explained away and "fixed" only for another problem to arise a few weeks later. It became difficult to find a home outside the seemingly ever-expanding radius of the landfill smells (not just relying on others' reports of odors- I experienced them myself). I liked the idea of being in another school district so we could have the option of moving even further away without moving children to a new school district in case things got even worse. I was also concerned about the long-term impact the landfill will have on property values and, in turn, the quality of the Fairport School District. I wanted to offer my perspective to show that the continuous mismanagement of High Acres landfill has already had an impact on the quality of living of all of your population and in my opinion is a meaningful threat to the future of Perinton.

Also one side note - I have noticed that in a lot of your communications, you are comparing standards for High Acres to regulatory requirements and broad industry practices. While this is of course a useful and easy starting point, I think it would be informative to adjust for population density around the landfill. I would guess that population density is higher around High Acres than most landfills, and I think that necessitates more stringent regulations around standards associated with quality-of-life.

Thank you for your time and all your hard work.

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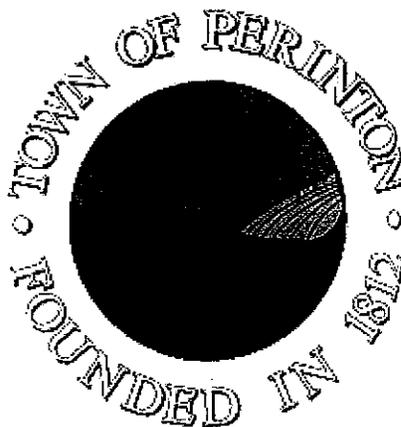
I can't comment on a lot of the agreement as I have not been involved in the discussions, but would urge the town ensure that WM puts people and the environment above short term profits.

I do however use the leaf compost and mulch in my yard. I urge the town to ensure that the pick up areas are accessible to all Perinton residents --having just one pick up location last year meant I was not able to use the benefit as I could not afford the 20 minutes to drive there to find out it was gone. More drop off locations or an option for delivery would be greatly appreciated.

I also see that there is no requirement in the agreement that they guarantee the quality of the compost. A basic standard of "not toxic" and 99% glass- and plastic-free seems should be included.

Not for nothing, I am a WM customer and pay \$161.12 per quarter (or \$644.48 a year). If I were to cancel this, I would be "assessed a Cart Removal charge of up to \$75 plus applicable taxes and charges including fuel surcharge, environmental charge and regulatory cost recovery charge." Whatever that means. Which is all to say, they can afford to do more for Perinton.

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I am very concerned about the proposed agreement between the town and Waste Management.

Management of data should not be reported on the Hotline, which is archaic compared to the reporting done on the FAFES reporting site. I have reported numerous times on this site which shows my exact location in Perinton, and also gives us the opportunity to send an email to the town and others to notify them. I have sent emails and did not get a satisfactory answer. I have mostly received "Out of the office" replies.

The proposed Loss of Property Values program for homeowners affected by the odors and want to relocate is vague. It doesn't outline on a map the locations which are covered by this. The way it's stated is arbitrary, and gives WM leverage over the homeowners compensation for WM's mishandling of the odors that they produce.

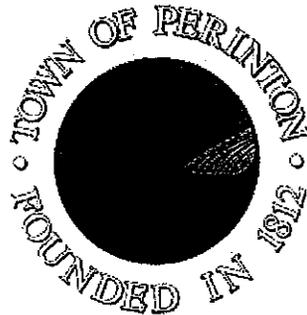
This landfill is obviously not doing what it's supposed to. It's not a plus for our community, but a plus for WM and their interests. We do not need or want garbage from NYC. Your draft doesn't explain how much NYC garbage is dumped in High Acres. We need honest numbers of the tons of garbage that WM is accepting, not percentages of how much we want to reduce it. 50% of what??

We should cap the whole Perinton side of High Acres despite any loss of revenue from Waste Management. WM has deep pockets for what they deem necessary, but has no consideration of the local community it serves and resides in. The air fresheners they use aren't masking the odors. Handling of the odors in a safe and well managed program is what we need. Capping and closing the Perinton side of the landfill has been proposed many times. This will reduce the odors emanating from here, and with correct management of these gases, can capture them and convert them to power that can be sold to the grid.

The odors are a main concern but there's also the noise associated with the trains transporting MSW. People who live near the canal are awakened during a sound sleep to the cacophony made by the trains.

I hope that you will take my comments seriously, and consider the impact that poor management of High Acres landfill has had on the community.
Sincerely,
[Redacted Signature]

Thank you for taking the time to provide feedback. --Perinton Town Board



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This plan does not go far enough in limiting the amount of garbage coming into our town from outside or region.

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Dear Town Supervisor and Town Board Members,

My comments on the Host-Community Agreement are as follows:

- 1) I applaud the idea of a reduction in the amount of waste that is taken into the landfill from the downstate region. However, the way the HCA is written, which limits the maximum threshold of amount of waste accepted, does so in a way that there is still room for an INCREASE over what was accepted in 2020. If Waste Management cannot handle the current amount of waste accepted without significantly impacting the lives of our citizens, I am not sure why they (or you) are confident that an increase in the yearly amount of waste would be acceptable. Please consider decreasing the threshold of volume of waste into the landfill to LESS THAN 2020 LEVELS until such time as Waste Management proves that they can control the odors of the landfill.
- 2) Monitoring of the odors of the landfill should be performed by a NEUTRAL PARTY that is chosen by the town, not by Waste Management, and care should be taken to ensure there is no financial obligation between the entity monitoring the odor and Waste Management. This measurement should be done by technological means rather than fallible/subjective means.

Thank you,

[Redacted Name]

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Thank you for taking the time to provide feedback. --Perinton Town Board



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Please be accurate, truthful and most importantly adhere to the policy of lessening the NYC trash intake to our town and environmental care compliance out of. Waste Management. Those of us who purchased houses did so in good faith in town leadership the time is now to lead with integrity for the greater good and healthy wellbeing of our community. The greater good is NOT served with poor environmental policy. Non-compliance to promises, laws and policy will not be tolerated, As evidenced by the FAFE lawsuit and the number of residents who have been watching these events unfold over the past several months. WM is here to make profit but the leaders of our town are here for the good of all residents so let your actions reflect that.

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In addition to the overall vagueness of many of the items in this agreement, I'd like to raise my specific concerns on the following items:

- The HCA Expiration date is intentionally left blank. The town has cleverly branded a multiple year delay in drafting this new HCA as a "purposeful" alignment with the Special Use Permit. How this alignment will be used or maintained in the future? Is the plan to implement this current draft for just one year? The community deserves to know when this document will be reviewed again so that we can hold the town accountable for another multi-year period of delay and inaction.
- Without information on who would qualify for the Property Protection Program, the actual benefit to the community cannot even begin to be determined.
- Additional information on the formal role, members, and method of creating a Citizen Advisory Committee is required. A Citizen Advisory Committee appears to hold no power over decisions made by the Town of Perinton, the NYS DEC, or Waste Management. Without the ability to even provide input on the creation of documents such as this one, the benefits of such a group cannot be determined. Will this group have any members or input from other impacted towns?
- Without visibility to or confirmation of complaints, a Waste Management managed hotline provides no trust or faith in accountability to the community. Using an antiquated method such as this allows reporters to sit in silos, unaware of widespread issues impacting the community. The community-funded and developed FAFE app still provides much more functionality and ease of use to the community that is impacted.
- If Waste Management is managing and operating the odor hotline, why must the timeline for actionable offsite impacts rely on a notification from the town? And, why is there no timeline provided for when the town must provide this notification on behalf of the community?

Thank you for taking the time to provide feedback. --Perinton Town Board



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I am writing in hopes that I might be one of many voices of the Perinton community who have concerns about the landfill and who wish to be heard. My husband and I live fairly close to High Acres and are very interested in finding a solution to the problems generated by it. While we regularly experience odors from the landfill - something that is relatively new to us since we moved to [redacted] forty years ago - we sympathize with those who live closer and cannot enjoy their daily lives without experiencing odors and noise from the landfill that sometimes prevent them from even going outside.

I understand that what you have published on the website is just a draft of the Community Host Agreement, but there seem to be many open-ended statements that need clarification before the community can gain a better understanding of what it is agreeing to.

- Please be specific about who will be participating on the Citizen Advisory Committee and what responsibilities it will assume. It is your job to listen to the community members who have ideas about how this committee should be formed and run.

- Regarding the Property Value Protection Program: There is no indication in the agreement, so far, as to what area will be protected and, as it is currently written, it favors Waste Management of New York over the citizens of the Perinton community. Your job is to protect us, the citizens, rather than Waste Management.

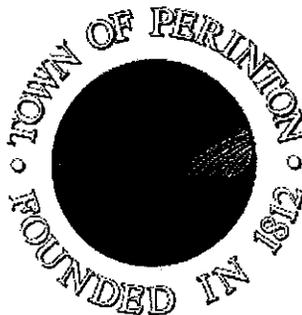
- Waste Management must be held responsible for issues with the landfill for 15 to 20 years after the landfill is closed, since gases from the landfill will be generated for at least that long. Please do not absolve Waste Management of their responsibility once the landfill is closed.

- An impartial third party must be responsible for investigating odor complaints, rather than someone associated with Waste Management. Experience in the community these past few years has shown that reports from the odor patrol hired by Waste Management have not been accurate; for example, the investigator arrives at a property long after the complaint is lodged and finds that the odors have dissipated or, worse, agrees with the complainant that there is, indeed, an odor, but reports that there were no odors detected.

Another concern I have is that there seems to be no acknowledgement by the Town of Perinton of the hard work done by Fresh Air for the Eastside to collect data over the past few years. This data indicates time, date, location, wind direction, etc. of a detected odor. Why is the town so resistant to using their data?

Please remember who you are representing. We have elected you to protect us, the residents of Perinton, not Waste Management.

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Foremost, the odors emanating High Acres Landfill need to stop. This is the Town of Perinton's opportunity to really make that happen and to ensure a quality living environment for generations to come. There is enough data (including anecdotal omissions by Waste Management (WM)) to corroborate that the odors are coming from the poorly constructed infrastructure of the Fairport side of the landfill and trash trains coming from New York City (NYC). As such, this agreement should include capping and closing the Fairport side of the landfill. It should also include SIGNIFICANTLY limiting the trash coming from NYC.

Specifically, on Tuesday, January 16, 2018, WM admitted to and provided an explanation for the noxious odors. They reported horizontal wells were never installed in Cells 10 and 11. These are the very cells in Fairport that need to be capped and closed.

In addition, the trash brought to our region from NYC is a result of the Intermodal Rail Project (2013) that was approved without consultation with the community. Today, with this updated agreement, our town's leadership has the opportunity to walk back on the rail project as it has been detrimental to our community. The rail project documents state, "Will Proposed Action affect air quality?" The response was, "YES," and it was still approved. What about those of us living here, raising families here that want to live a healthy life? Please require a significant limit on NYC trash to redeem our quality of life that was taken from us when the rail project was approved.

I hope you will use this opportunity to save us. We are a community that is suffering from overexposure to landfill gases emanating High Acres Landfill. I ask you to address our environmental health emergency by mandating High Acres Landfill to cap the Fairport side and limit the NYC trash that is imported to relieve our community from our suffering from the noxious (and likely toxic) odors.

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1. Despite years of "responses" by the town of Perinton, DEC, and WM, the stench coming from the landfill continues to increase in frequency and intensity. Personally, I feel like this Host Agreement fails to outline any policy or plan that will result in any positive outcomes. Current measures do not at all address the issue adequately. I think the landfill's heyday is long done and it should be capped and closed permanently.
2. The host agreement outlines a limit NYC garbage to 50% of the 1.4 million tons equaling about 700 thousand tons. This actually reflects an INCREASE of intake from 2020 numbers. With an increase in NYC waste we know from the last several years that we will see an increase in rail noise, landfill noise, increase in varmints, and an increase in smell. The only entity that this benefits is Waste Management.
3. The mandated use of the antiquated telephone "hotline" and a human response team with a clear conflict of interest given their ties to WM is an obvious failure in up to date technology utilization to record and monitor odors. A current app is in place that provides detailed information in real time re: odors that would increase recording ease and accuracy of odors. Technology is available to measure odors in a accurate and objective manner. My sense of smell is different than other people. If we used the technology that exists to measure odors we would finally have a level playing field.

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Having lived on [REDACTED] for 35 years we have seen the High Acres landfill grow from our front windows. The stench from the landfill has increased over the last several years to a level that is unacceptable. Many mornings I'm blasted by the stench from the landfill as I walk out to retrieve the morning paper. Not a pleasant greeting. I'm very disappointed with Waste Management and our town leadership over allowing this situation to go on. It's clear that the landfill is a serious problem and it needs to be addressed. It can't go on polluting our town. Waste Management and the town of Perinton need to shut down High Acres.

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WM needs to be more forthcoming prior to when odor-creating maintenance will be performed, rather than using it as an excuse for a current odor event. It also needs to be shared if such an event will have on-site surface monitoring and detailed hazardous material being released into the air.

Any NEW odor Verification program must be current with present day technology and documentation. A hotline with a human (who may or may not be available to reach) writing down your complaint and potentially misinterpreting or incorrectly annotating the information is not reliable. All complaints must have an instant digital time stamp, weather conditions, accurate location and complaint that can be verified by a means other than said human. Complaints should be addressed directly by the ASTM professional who takes a measurement at the complaint location and provides the results from the complainant. A vehicle driving by the area over an hour later, with one window cracked open 2" and not stopping is not a verifiable test of the odor event. The "professional" must stop at the odor event location and vacate their vehicle to properly assess the odor. There also needs to be accountability for the professional evaluating the event. It is well known that constant exposure to these garbage odors can desensitize a persons ability to detect the odor as we have experienced this ourselves. Other factors such as smoking, use of chew and allergies or sinus illness can reduce taste and smell sensitivity. Since this certified professional is determining intensity based on their own interpretation of smell, there cannot be any factors affecting the professional's ability to smell. A report of the evaluation findings must be submitted to the complainant.

As for NYC I take restrictions, no percentage was listed. If the plan is for 50% of total allowable intake, that is still higher than what they are currently taking in. This needs to be SIGNIFICANTLY REDUCED to return to a manageable amount of odor events such as we had before 2017. Perinton needs to be permanently capped and NYC intake reduced by at least 50% of what they CURRENTLY take in.

Please consider our home and community and choose the Town of Perinton over connections with Waste Management and money. There will be no community left if WM is allowed to continue growing out of control.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Thank you for taking the time to provide feedback. --Perinton Town Board



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I find this agreement unacceptable. As a resident of Perinton since 1986 and a homeowner since 1988, this landfill is a chronic nuisance. I live on the western edge of Perinton and there are days that you can smell the dump all the way over here. You smell it at Perinton Wegmans, Penfield Wegmans and Target. I have also smelled it near Eastview Mall. When the trash trains come through, they cause more odors. At no point did the dump ever smell like this before Waste Management expanded the landfill and brought in NYC trash. We should not be the dumping grounds for NYC. I grew up in Queens and there were existing locations for trash. Why is this no longer acceptable? Why must this much trash be sent all the way to Perinton? I report the odors as I smell them. I DO NOT like the hotline! The app works fine and is how most business is conducted nowadays. To require a call is adding insult to injury. In addition the odor investigator is NOT a neutral third party. Stop using Towpath! Find/hire more DEC staff or utilize and truly independent third party. I am worried about my property values since we are becoming know as Trash Town USA. We will soon smell as bad as the dump near the outlet mall. I resent that my town officials are not representing my interests. I elected you, Waste Management did not. Where is your accountability to your voters? No amount of lower taxes is worth the smell and the nuisance that this dump causes. So go back to the table and work for your constituents.

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I would like to STOP smelling garbage/rotting waste/foul odors when I step outside my door.
 I would like for the leaders of my community to care more about its citizens than its arrangement with a self-interested corporation. Please walk the talk.
 I would like for my friends in neighboring towns to no longer take pity on me because I "have to smell garbage" in my (the implication is subpar) town.
 I would like an investment in better education for the community of the items that can be recycled.
 It is imperative that we remove household/restaurant/school organics from landfills and compost them properly. This will cut down on the odors and methane released. I would like for our town elected boards to take the lead in educating citizens of our community about composting and to make it accessible to all residents. I would like the composting to happen in our community and not trucked out of town.
 It is imperative that the system of monitoring odors be conducted by a neutral party and that a standardized technological system be put in place to avoid subjectivity or inaccurate recording.

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I don't see much change for our community dealing with these egregious odors from the past if the Perinton board doesn't require in the New Host Agreement for LESS annual NYC garbage allowed by rail or truck to be dumped at High Acres Landfill. Another sticking point, it's time for the Perinton side of the landfill to be permanently closed down! The opening of cells 10 & 11 to complete their capacity also contributes to our continued odors. There is also a definite conflict of interest with Towpath to continue the monitoring and reporting of odor complaints. It should be an independent company without any past ties to WM! Come on Perinton Town Board get serious about getting our community back to what we, as tax payers, deserve. Yes, I realize we enjoy some benefits from the agreements with WM, but would gladly pay a few dollars more on my tax bill to get the odor issue resolved...it's time or next election I will talk with my vote!! Thank You.

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I believe this landfill needs to be capped and closed on the Perinton side . The odors are a chronic nuisance no matter where you drive in Perinton. I am a homeowner since 1987 in the Forest Hills section on the western edge of Perinton. Prior to the expansion of the landfill and the NYC trash trains, we never smelled the dump. I smell it now under certain weather conditions like foggy days and hot summer days. I smell it on my street at those times and when I drive around town doing errands. I am happy my home is in the ER school district because the stench at Dudley school has made homes in Perinton less desirable. Drive by there on a bad day and smell what those children smell. The trash trains from NYC should not be coming here. It's enabling NYC to avoid making a long term solution to their problem. Mind you, I was born and raised in Brooklyn and came to this area at age 28. High Acres is enabling NYC to not deal with their long term trash issue and it's accompanying environmental issue. I am completely opposed to this agreement. It does not represent a solution for our town.

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The Host Community Agreement seems like a waste of time. It's merely an opportunity for local politicians and Waste Management to make homeowners think they are actually doing something. I no longer trust that either are working in our best interest. Prior assertions that the problems that plague our community because of the landfill will be taken care of have proven useless. They seem to be helpful right up until they're not. The only real solution is to cap and close the Perinton side of the landfill.

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I'm seriously concerned about the long-term effects of soil and groundwater contamination. The HCA fails to provide for adequate monitoring of both. Such monitoring is given cursory mention in addendum correspondence and in HCA draft section XVI (End Use Plan and Closure Agreements). But the Town and NYSDEC are allowing the creation of what in future days will be a type of "superfund site." Future generations of Perinton residents will suffer the health effects. While current residents, including me, are upset over ongoing odor issues, soil and groundwater issues cannot be overlooked. Please include specific requirements for comprehensive soil and groundwater monitoring and contamination mitigation. (While it took me some time to identify the makeup of MSW, it does routinely contain lethal materials.)

The sheer volume of annual input greatly concerns me. Section IV, B describes "use" and 3.b appears to put limits on MSW from the 5 boroughs of New York City but notes: "This restriction does not reduce the annual volume permitted for this Facility." So while, the Perinton supervisor and Monroe County executive have announced that they plan to "ask" for a reduction in NYC garbage, the overall input, more than 700,000 tons a year, will remain high. It's clear from this document that the Town and County have no power and can only make requests to WMNY and NYDEC, still, within the HCA, the Town needs to cap the annual volume of waste taken into the Facility.

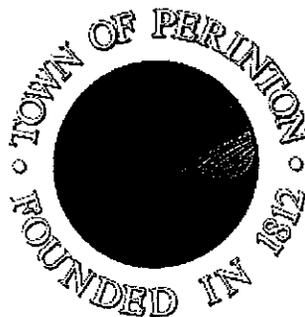
The Town also needs to restrict the future footprint of the Landfill. Language in the current draft HCA makes it clear that geographic expansion is a real possibility... as is airspace expansion. The Town needs to be more specific in the HCA.

The Landfill has greatly expanded its intake and operations over the past five years. In that same time frame, the Town has allowed the building of hundreds of multi-family, and small single-family units along Rt. 31. Also, the Town has allowed more residential construction along Ayrault Rd. You can't have it both ways. You can't encourage housing construction at the same time that you are allowing a Landfill to expand operations that undermine the quality of life of those residents. Tighten up Town zoning. Restrict the footprint of the Landfill. Also, on a related note, WMNY correspondence (Sept. 14, 2018) touts its reconfiguration of its development of waste operations "from North to South instead of West to East, to move the next area of cell construction further away from Perinton Parkway." Bad plan. Bad coordination. New waste operations are moving closer to the new housing! You're creating a larger group of people who care more about their daily quality of life than a slight (and it is slight) reduction in property taxes.

I add my voice to those who criticize an odor complaint system that puts WMNY in charge of complaints. This should be done by a third party.

Using equipment to measure and quantify odor levels may sound like a good system. It's not. People, not machines, live in those houses and work and study in those schools. People have varying sensitivities to different odors. Children, pregnant mothers, lots of folks(!) are sensitive to bad odors. And those misters that create what one resident called "blueberry garbage" are totally inadequate. These are Perinton residents and you're responsible for them. At minimum, include a Human Total of complaints ALONG WITH those recorded by a responder and WMNY equipment. The lived experience is what's important to the people affected.

Thank you for taking the time to provide feedback. --Perinton Town Board



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If you have any questions, please reach out to us at hca@perinton.org.

Email *

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Address: *

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Date: *

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Comments: *

The new community host agreement is very concerning to me and my family. For the last 3+ years the instances of terrible smells permeating our community, specifically my children's school and my neighborhood have decreased the quality of life in Perinton. At two to three times a week over the last few months on my daily drive past Thomas Creek at the ice arena early in the morning my family is greeted by the nauseating gas smells. We are past the point of proving that this is a problem. It is a problem that will continue to grow if we as a community do not take action. Quite frankly none of the perceived benefits outweighs the negatives of stench and health risks we assume as a community with such an unmanaged facility. This new host agreement is our opportunity as a community to say no and take a stand for ourselves and fight for our community.

The Perinton side of High Acres must be capped and closed. The mountain is high enough and I cannot fathom how we can let it grow.

Additionally, the reduction promised in the agreement is misleading. WM must agree to reduce intake of NYC trash by 50% compared to what it took in 2020 NOT 50% of its maximum allowance.

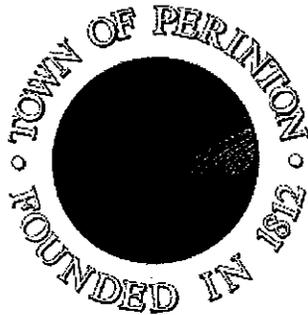
The trust in our leadership is failing and we need transparency. Tow path is biased and we should explore other options for investigating these odor issues.

I urge you to listen to your community. We cannot allow our town to be known for its landfill or smell. Our children do not deserve to breath these fumes and our town needs to better represent its people against WM.

Respectfully,

[Redacted Signature]

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Comments: *

I've been a proud member of the Perinton community for over 40 years. It's very disappointing to see the landfill get larger and larger over the years with the acceptance of New York City garbage. Having lived in the NYC metropolitan area during college and my early career, I know how NYC people think. New York State is New York City and Upstate is nothing more than cow pastures and unsophisticated people.

So it's no surprise that NYC contracted with Waste Management to dump garbage Upstate. Unfortunately, Perinton has allowed this to happen and it will be very difficult to stop without very strong leadership from Perinton leaders.

This is why at this point in Perinton's history, it's critical that this hosting agreement have very specific and strong language to eliminate the acceptance of NYC garbage. The Town of Perinton is very quickly being known as Trash Town USA instead of Trail Town USA and this breaks my heart as a long term resident and should break your hearts as leaders of the Town of Perinton. My children, grandchildren and your current and future families are depending on your leadership to stop this ridiculous growth of garbage.

The incremental taxes collected from Waste Management will never justify the future legacy of our Town becoming Trash Town USA! This is your opportunity to stand up to Waste Management and reject NYC garbage and protect our Town's past history as a great place to raise a family. Over the past few years, Waste Management has shown no ability to control the spread of odors as the waste and noise continue to grow. What makes you think this will get better? It will only get worse.

I implore you, as Perinton leaders, to step up and protect current and future generations of Perinton families from this horrendous and disgusting legacy that's turning our beautiful community to Trash Town USA. Be specific and measurable in your limitations and eventual stoppage of accepting NYC garbage. Town taxpayers, once the facts are on the table, will support your strong leadership.

Thank you for this opportunity and I'd be happy to meet with any of the leaders of the Town to discuss further.



Thank you for taking the time to provide feedback. --Perinton Town Board



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New HOST COMMUNITY AGREEMENT

Public Comment Form

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Date:	04/15/2021
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Email:	[REDACTED]

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Comments:

To Whom it May Concern,

I appreciate the effort to enact a stricter agreement with Waste Management with regards to the High Acres landfill, but am concerned with vagueness in the information around restrictions on tonnage. The perinton.org website notes working towards pre-2017 levels of MSW coming via rail from New York City. The Democrat & Chronicle article states a 50% cap on NYC MSW tonnage annually.

My concerns are as follows:

- What are the actual levels of NYC-based rail tonnage that were received the last 5 or so years versus what the maximum allowable would be if they used 50% of their annual cap? If they met the maximum would the level actually go down at all? Or would there be an appreciable reduction?

From their 2019 DEC report, it would appear they have an annual maximum of just under 1.4 million tons. If they use 50% of that, they can take in ~700k tons of MSW from NYC via rail - which appears to roughly match their current intake!

Clearly the last several years have resulted in a significant uptick in odors and complaints: why wouldn't we aim for a simple reduction of annual maximums (for all waste, regardless of source or transportation) back down to manageable levels seen in 2010-2015 when odors and complaints were not rampant? Perhaps, even with a mechanism for increasing the cap annually by some percentage if some sort of nuisance metrics were met (i.e. odor complaints below a given level).

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- While I understand that MSW via rail is the high volume we're seeing now - why would we explicitly cap only rail-based from NYC? Why wouldn't Waste Management simply shift to other transportation modes and/or sources outside NYC?

Furthermore, what can we do if Macedon does not abide by the same agreement? Why wouldn't Waste Management simply shift operations over to the other side of the town line to skirt the tougher restrictions on our side?

Thank you,

[REDACTED]



New HOST COMMUNITY AGREEMENT

Public Comment Form

Name:	[REDACTED]
Date:	22 April 2021
Address:	[REDACTED]
Email:	pschuch@rochester.rr.com

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Comments:

Please note that all things relating to High Acres Landfill are a highly emotional issue with me.

My wife and I purchased our home in January of 2002 and moved in about the middle of March. We were immediately made aware of the noise emanating from the active railroad a short distance from our home and realized that we are just going to have to live with it and it was our fault for not taking this into consideration when we bought the home. To make matters worse we began to smell the stench from the landfill.

Now, some years later, to make matters even worse, the town allowed Waste Management to build a set of railroad tracks for the purpose of bringing in garbage from New York City. This might not seem like a concern for anyone living a good distance from these new tracks but, for those of us living within about 1200 feet from these tracks this is a huge issue. Because of the delivery of garbage from NYC, we are awakened at all hours of the night by train horns and more. At times the entire house shakes. In addition, the noise is not simply due to the delivery trains but by other trains passing by blasting their horns for some kind of warning.

Something has to be done to stop this additional noise. Please add a clause to the HCA that will at least limit the delivery of the NYC garbage or any other rail deliveries to hours such as from 8 pm to 8 am.



New HOST COMMUNITY AGREEMENT

Public Comment Form

Name:	[REDACTED]
Date:	4/27/2021
Address:	[REDACTED]
Email:	[REDACTED]

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Comments:

A version of this comment has been sent directly to Supervisor Hanna.

This comment concerns 18 wheeler trash-hauling trucks after they have left High Acres Landfill. This issue should be addressed in the new Host Community Agreement being developed by the Town of Perinton with Waste Management.

There is a noise problem with respect to the operation of the landfill that greatly affects the quality of life for town residents, especially those who live on the residential streets along NY Rt. 31. After unloading trash at High Acres, empty 18 wheeler trucks sometimes use their engine brakes or Jake Brakes as they descend the hills within the town. The noise from these trucks literally thunders through the hills and valleys in the areas surrounding Southcross Tr., Selborne Chase, Mountain Rise Lane and Kreag Rd. This noise begins each weekday at approximately 7 AM and continues throughout the day. I am sure there are other Town of Perinton neighborhoods that are affected by this problem, as there are other hills on the truck routes from the landfill.

I live on [REDACTED] where the noise is particularly bad. This occurs when trucks descend the Rt. 31 hill west of Wegmans. We cannot enjoy the outdoors in the warm weather due to this problem. Now that my wife and I are retired, we try to spend time outdoors enjoying our yard but cannot do so because of this noise.

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I spoke to Waste Management's High Acres management and they showed no interest in addressing this issue. I was told that they have no control over their customers, the private haulers who drive the trucks to and from their operation. I don't agree with this. As an example of how a similar problem was corrected with other trucks: Approximately 15 years ago, I called management at the Wegmans Fleet operation when I noticed their 18 wheeler delivery trucks were using their engine brakes on Rt. 31. Wegmans spoke to their drivers and the practice immediately stopped. It has not happened since then with a Wegmans truck.

Some ways that come to mind for how Waste Management might address this issue include:

- Prohibit their hauler customers, through their written agreement with WM, from using engine brakes or Jake Brakes while within the Town of Perinton,
- Install signs at the exits to High Acres Landfill to remind drivers not to use their engine brakes or Jake Brakes while within the town, and
- Include a statement on the written receipt that is given to truck drivers as they leave the landfill.

Obviously there may be other ways for Waste Management to address this problem. The Town should consult with Waste Management for a solution, as WM must have addressed this issue at other landfill that they manager.

In case you would like more information about this truck noise problem and how it can be addressed you might view this website: <https://brakeexperts.com/why-is-jake-braking-illegal/>

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Regards,

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
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New HOST COMMUNITY AGREEMENT

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Name:	[REDACTED]
Date:	4/30/2021
Address:	[REDACTED]
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Comments:

What I did not see in this agreement was any kind of penalty for Waste Management when, despite their efforts, the landfill fills the surrounding area with a foul stench. I see a lot of nicely designed public relations efforts, but I don't see anything that will actually decrease the odor coming from the landfill. If there are no teeth in this agreement, then nothing will be done. There is no penalty for continuing to emit odors.

Also, having Waste Management measure the odor? Why on earth would they find a problem? They are using their own people and their own equipment to measure a problem that they have no interest in fixing. Using this same logic, we shouldn't have police. After all, criminals will simply turn themselves in for violating the law. You are asking the community to trust a company that has already violated the public trust.

While I appreciate that Waste Management will now tell us when the landfill is going to stink, it would be better if it didn't stink! Sharing information on when it's going to smell bad isn't the issue for me - the issue is that it smells bad! I agree that transparency is important - but it doesn't actually help in this case. What would help is being transparent about what is making the land fill stink, and then not doing that.

Based on what I have seen in the agreement, I don't understand how the situation will improve. It seems that the town and WMNY want to talk about the problem, but not actually solve it. Pretty graphics on a webpage don't prevent the problem, and there is nothing in this agreement that indicates it will improve.

Perinton proudly declares itself "Trail Town USA". Waste Management is turning it into "Trash Town USA".



New HOST COMMUNITY AGREEMENT

Public Comment Form

Name:	[REDACTED]
Date:	May 1, 2021
Address:	[REDACTED]
Email:	[REDACTED]

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Comments:

1. The town of Perinton should be capping & closing the Perinton side of the landfill while still requesting the benefits listed in the HCA agreement. This would reduce the odors of the landfill but still allow WM to have revenue from the landfill gases which can be converted to power & sold to the grid.
We have lived at this location in Fairport for almost 30 years and did not have a problem until WM started taking in more waste from NYC. The odors need to be dramatically lessened or Fairport will no longer be the best town to live in.
2. Be more specific about the tonage that is allowed of MSW from NYC. The agreement should specify that the NYC waste should be reduced by at least 50% not the total permitted annual volume. That means it should be no more than 325,000 per year (based on 2020 total NYC waste).
3. Be more specific on the definition of "aged MSW". The agreement should not allow more than 7 days. Limitation should be as short as possible or we will be getting stronger garbage odors.
4. A better way to notify WM about the odors - hotlines are old, need to develop an app (similar to the FAES app). You should be making it easier to report odors not more difficult. The technology is there - use it.
There is a serious conflict of interest that the town should address - Towpath investigating complaints. We all know that this business is owned by Chief Colella of Macedon. His salary & budget is linked to the revenue coming from WM. How could this be allowed? This is not using an independent third party. We can't believe the officials of the town of Perinton have allowed WM to use this company!!!! Need updated third party that has the technology to record the odors not just a human - this would eliminate the corruption (they tell the people there is odors and then they report there are none). This sounds like a good investigative story for the local news-
5. Property Value Protection - 15% coverage below fair market value. Either raise it to 50% or WM should be required to buy the property at fair market value if the house can't sell for 15% below fair market value and has been on the market for 6 months. That would be a true property value protection program for Perinton residents



New HOST COMMUNITY AGREEMENT

Public Comment Form

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Date:	April 30, 2021
Address:	[REDACTED]
Email:	[REDACTED]

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Comments:

My husband and I have lived in Perinton for 26 yrs., and raised our family here. All three of our children attended Fairport schools, grades K-12. I feel very fortunate in this regard, since we benefited from the high-quality school system, abundant parks and recreational activities, and friendliness of the community. I always hoped that my adult children would one day chose to make Fairport their home and raise their families here as well, and until recently, I never had any hesitancy about encouraging them to do so. The High Acres Landfill issue with its ever-growing physical dominance in the landscape, spreading odors, and transition from being a local landfill to a NYC depository for trash has me deeply concerned. My observations regarding the Host Community Agreement are as follows:

In this agreement, I do not see any mention of capping and closing the Perinton side of the landfill which is my desired outcome. My husband and I would both be willing to absorb a reasonable increase in taxes and/or see the Town reduce spending to make this happen. How much would taxes increase from capping and closing the landfill? Has the Board considered a voter referendum or another way to let residents decide about closing and capping the landfill as an option?

What provision is in the agreement for assuring that NYC trash is coming in below the amounts that were deposited in 2020? As was evident from the numerous complaints over the past several years, the quantity coming in from downstate needs to be reduced and the draft Host Community Agreement does not appear to reduce the total permitted volume from NYC.

Lastly, I strongly encourage the Town Board to add language to the document that requires an independent organization, with no ties to Waste Management or the town government of Perinton

and Macedon, to respond and monitor complaints. It has become increasingly apparent that there is a conflict of interest and loss of trust in this regard.

I appreciate the opportunity to provide comments on this important issue and thank the Perinton Town Board for their service to the community.

Thank you,

[REDACTED]



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Comments:

To Whom it may concern,

I have been a resident of Perinton since 2004, and up until 2017 I had never once smelled the High Acres landfill at my home 4 miles Southwest of the Landfill. It was just prior to this that High Acres opened the railline that allowed for nearly 650,000 tons of Municipal Solid Waste to flow from NYC annually. So much so that 90% of all trash and municipal solid waste flowing into High Acres is generated outside of Perinton and Monroe County. Perinton is literally the trash bin for NYC!

I do not believe the current host agreement nor the revised host agreement adequately protects all of our towns current and future residents from the High Acres landfill which has been inadequately managed by Waste Management on numerous occasions. The Town of Perinton and OUR Elected officials not Waste Management has an Obligation to the residents and taxpayers who live here to protect its residents, not corporations. I would implore the Town of Perinton and its elected officials to rescind the Special Use permit that the town has issued to Waste Management. The miniscule tax savings from Waste Management operating in this town does not outweigh the loss of enjoyment of clean fresh air, our homes, schools, and Community.

In addition, there are additional changes that should occur:

1. Residents should have the ability to report odor complaints from the High Acres landfill in a "frictionless" manner just as easy as shopping online. Using an antiquated hotline is an barrier that should be replaced with an easy to use mobile app.

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2. Odor investigations need to be completed by a NEUTRAL third party that is approved by the Citizen Advisory Committee. TowPath is not an neutral unbiased source of investigation they have failed to properly/accurately report a number of odor complaints by town residents including myself, claiming to have smelled no odors when there were in fact odors.

3. Along the same lines the town should require the neutral third party to utilized unbiased technology to accuratly quantify the levels of fugitive gases escaping vs. relying on human noses..

4. Property Value protection should include a 5 mile radius around the landfill to cover all residents who could potentially be affected by degradation in home values because of the odors from the High Acres landfill. WM should be forced to buy the property at the fair market value if the house cannot sell for 15% below fair market value and has been on the market for 6 months. That is a true property value protection program, that covers the residents during the "worst case scenario.

5. The " Actionable Levels " defined in the draft will not serve the community effectively. First, relying only on complaints from the hotline cripples its effectiveness. The community refuses to use the hotline. Complaints from the mobile application MUST be considered. Second, based on the last three years of Towpath reports, the vast majority of odor complaints are refuted by either saying there are no odors, or minimizing the odors with a very low odor level (usually .5). Based on the chart in the draft, along with historical data from Towpath, there will never be an " Actionable Level " of odors that would require a response and action from WM. If the town wants the community to believe the chart in the draft will be effective, then the town should provide the historical data on what would be considered an odor event based on the chart as it is. In other words, over the last 3 years, how many " Actionable Level " events would have occurred if the chart in the draft was in place? Lastly, the chart will create confusion in the community. How odors are confirmed and what the definition of an " odor event " is needs to be very simple and straightforward. If it smells, it smells. Simplify the complaint process, the verification process, and the requirement of WM providing the reason and plan to remediate. The combined requirements of the hotline, volume of complaints, time to confirm the complaints, method to confirm the complaints, and rolling time limits all serve to complicate the process and minimize the amount of " Actionable Levels " so no remediation will be required. That is unacceptable for something that is supposed to benefit the community.

I thank you for your time and allowing the community to share it's thoughts before this host agreement is signed. The town's duty is to protect/serve its residents who live here, go to school here, raise a family here first.

Sincerely,



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New HOST COMMUNITY AGREEMENT

Public Comment Form

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Comments:

I find the management of this landfill disgraceful. There has been public outpour regarding the smell from the dump for years without any noticeable change. The recommended actions listed should have been already in effect. I believe that if there isn't a noticeable change with implementing these actions, our taxes should go down due to the impact on our every day lives living in this area. Our property taxes have risen over the years and any home surrounding this area has been negatively impacted in their saleability. There needs to be a website by the town to provided area residents on continued monitoring of this problem with findings and mitigating actions.



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Date:	May 1, 2021
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Comments:

I live in [REDACTED] however my home is directly impacted by the landfill, both by noise, increase traffic on the road as well as the smells. I have tried to be supportive of the landfill as a business, however this over the last 5 or so years has become a terrible nuisance to the community. I believe that the direct conflict of interest between the Towpath investigators as well as our Police Chief's relationship should not happen.

I know that there have been many voices from the surrounding community households that have issues and I would request that the Town of Perinton work directly with the Town of Macedon and a joint community group to help address the issues that have been brought forward.

Thank you.



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Comments:

This new HCA is completely unacceptable for several reasons. First, it does nothing to address the ultimate closure of the landfill. Secondly, it allows for an increase in intake of about 50 thousand tons over 2020 numbers. This is problematic because these 2020 numbers already resulted in unacceptable odor issues stemming from the landfill. Any increase from these intake numbers will surely lead to even more odor problems. Finally, it would be great if you could stop talking about the "benefits" of hosting the landfill. We are not 3 year olds that can be tricked with words. There are NO benefits to hosting this landfill. There are only consequences, many of which are unacceptable. These include odor, noise pollution, unsightly terrain, and chemical pollution. This landfill should be capped and closed immediately.



New HOST COMMUNITY AGREEMENT

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Name:	[REDACTED]
Date:	04/28/2021
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While this community host agreement makes a fairly constructive effort in controlling what we've witnessed or smelled over the years here in Perinton, I am not optimistic that it'll stop the fugitive odor issues that has plagued this community for the past 5 years.

It has been absolutely embarrassing and frustrating being a home owner on the eastside of Perinton these past few years. The odors have been putrid and frequent. I've had instances where guests over at my house notice and they are shocked with what we've had to deal with. It has become common now to leave for work in the morning and smell trash or a combination of trash/fragrance smell as WM tries to cover up the fugitive odors. The smells arrive and dissipate randomly and have impacted my families ability to enjoy the outdoors not only in my own yard but in parts of Perinton where we enjoy hiking or being outside.

I am disgusted that our town leadership has allowed for this to happen behind the residents backs. I grew up in the city of Rochester and moved out to Perinton in 2005 after college. My wife and I bought a house in 2007. During the first several years of residency in Perinton I actually didn't know a landfill even existed on the eastside of the county. And honestly, for the first 9 or 10 years in Perinton, I never noticed odors from the landfill. Or the odors were so infrequent that it was never a disruption that forced me to care where they came from. Fast forward to about 2016 or 2017 and it became a constant issue that has affected so many in Perinton.

The blame is to be spread across WM, DEC and our town leaders. The residents of Perinton are told that hosting a landfill in our community provides us with benefits. We are told tax savings.

To what degree? I've determined that our tax savings is \$100-\$200, if that. Seems insignificant compared to what we have to live with. And as far as the other benefits, I could care less. Our tax burden seems no different than other towns on the Eastside. I'm tired of WM and the DEC downplaying the complaints of residents. They minimize and often are annoyed at the complaints. I'm appalled that we've become the dumping ground for NYC. WM has lied to us over the years stating the NYC garbage has always been coming into High Acres. After years of requesting from the DEC, they now have released data showing when NYC garbage started coming into HA. Guess what it started in 2014. And reached it's peak in 2016-2017. They flat out lied to us. Aside from the poor infrastructure of the landfill to accommodate this, NYC trash is the root cause of our odors. I don't want to get into all of the other lies we've been fed over the years. Trash is let to sit and rot in trains then it's dumped in our town for us to suffer from it.

So while the community host agreement that has been proposed puts forth an effort, I don't believe it'll be enough to have a meaningful impact. At this point I have a hard believing anything our town leadership proposes, let alone a lack of trust in WM and the DEC.

First and foremost the town of Perinton should be working towards capping and closing the Perinton side of the landfill. This would be in addition to all the benefits of the new HCA. The capping and closure of the landfill will still have to be maintained according to state and federal regulations. This still will generate revenue for WM because they will still be able to capture landfill gas and convert to electricity which they will sell back. I do not believe that the cap and closure of the Perinton side will cause a drastic increase in our taxes. Since my tax rate doesn't seem to be much different than Penfield or Webster with no significant benefit. Whatever offset this creates can be addressed with adjusting our spending. The cap and closure of the Perinton side I believe would significantly reduce the fugitive odor situation. The Perinton side was built in the early 70s with an inferior infrastructure based on the amount of garbage coming in. The capping and closure would have a meaningful impact on this community and would bring back faith in our town leadership.

In section IV-B-3-b, the amount of trash from NYC based on also what Supervisor Hanna has proposed (50% limit) would not have any meaningful limit on trash into our town. We currently are not at that limit and yet we still continue to deal with odors. So the proposal allows even more garbage than what we're currently dealing with. I recommend that NYC waste be reduced by at least 50% compared to 2020 levels. Waste intake from NYC should not be based on total permitted annual volume. WM has already demonstrated that they cannot control odors at current levels. Why allow even more garbage to come in?

In section IV-B-3-e, we need more details surrounding aged waste. There have been examples of aged garbage over the years arriving at HA with a result of significant fugitive gas situations. The shorter the dwell time between waste residing at a holding facility, loading onto a rail car and shipped to Perinton should be as short as possible. Fugitive odors are released when rotting garbage is dumped from the rail cars.

In section VI-C, regarding notification management program. Residents should not be required to call a hotline. It is 2021 not 1970-80-90s. I am already inconvenienced by having to deal with odors. The app that has been generated by Fresh Air for the Eastside collects other data that is relevant and yes it is convenient to use. Data collection is extremely important. If the town or WM has issue with the app, why isn't there feedback or why can't an app be created by WM or the state. Also, I do not want Towpath as an organization to investigate complaints. There is a significant conflict of interest here. Chief Colella's department budget in Macedon is tied to the revenue coming from WM. It has also been observed that Towpath will alter the documentation in WM favor from odor complaints of Perinton residents. Towpath is not to be trusted for verifying odors. In addition, measurement tools should be used to measure odors vs what residents are observing. Sending a representative from Towpath who clearly has a conflict of interest to sniff check a residents complaint is ridiculous.

In section VIII, regarding property value protection, I would like to see a map of the coverage area that qualifies for this protection. Also 15% coverage below fair market value is not sufficient during the worst of fugitive odor times. Back in 2017-2018 when odors were the worst, a coverage of 40% would be more appropriate. If the percentage cannot be changed, then waste WM should be required to purchase the home at fair market value, if the house cannot sell after 6 months for 15% below fair market value. Property protection should be based on the worst case scenario.

In section XV, regarding off-site impacts, the actionable levels defined in the table will not accurately represent the residents of Perinton. Odor complaints documented with a mobile app that collects other critical data should be the means to effectively log an odor complaint. Using a phone number hotline everytime I smell a fugitive odor from the landfill is essentially telling residents that we want to make it as inconvenient as possible for you to log a complaint. I'm surprised that they aren't requiring us to mail our complaints. And I stress this again, Towpath is not a legitimate organization for documenting odor complaints. There have been documented instances where a Perinton resident will log an odor complaint, only for them to log it at a much lower level. I would like the Town of Perinton to prove that the actionable levels chart proposed would be effective. I would like the Town of Perinton to provide it's residents with how many actionable level events would have occurred if the chart was place over the past 3 years. This would prove to the community that it would or would not be an effective tool.

I would like our leadership to stand up against WM and listen to the residents of Perinton. It is embarrassing the direction our town is going with having to deal with these odors. We want meaningful results that will significantly reduce the odor situation. I am disgusted that our town has become the dumping ground for NYC garbage and our leaders allowed this to happen. Who is really benefiting from this. It certainly isn't the residents. I have many friends and family in surrounding suburbs and there are no meaningful benefits to hosting this landfill with it's current issues. Why is this so hard for our town leaders to see.

Please listen and do what is right for your residents!

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Comments:

Thank you for the chance to comment. Often the air smells like garbage at our home which is about four miles north of the landfill. This has been going on for several years inspite of Waste Managements supposed attempts to deal with the problem. This agreement is a good start place but details need to be spelled out. The only thing that will help is to limit the amount of garbage that can be transported from New York City. Unless this is clearly spelled out and monitored, nothing will get better. There will be complaints and promises to do better for years to come.



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I have been a resident of Perinton [REDACTED] for nearly 11 years now. Since I have moved here there have been issues with WM and their management of High Acres. The first time I experienced this issue firsthand was in 2011 and after some time WM finally go control of the odors which is what you would expect for a Corporate behemoth that was negatively affecting the community.

The current issue we are facing began in 2017 and has really continued since. It is my opinion that the issues at Waste Management are the cause of mismanagement by the company as well as greed and their decision to bring in trash from NYC. The combination of the two is what has led to most issues our community faces today.

I have truly been disappointed in the job that the DEC has done in monitoring and censuring WM for their performance. The DEC is the one of the two entities that can punish WM for their egregious actions and remedy the situation, yet they continually allow WM to operate and cause odors in the community. I am at a loss to understand why.

The other entity that has some leverage to curb the issues we face is you, the town of Perinton. As a resident of this community, I am appalled at the job you have done in representing the citizens of Perinton in this issue. Our concerns have fallen on deaf ears and the Town continue to be a patsy for WM. While I understand that the town does not have the ability to compel WM to fix the issues, since that is the job of the DEC, the town does have the ability to apply pressure to WM to get the issues fixed once and for all.

Now is the perfect opportunity with the Community Agreement to apply serious pressure to WM to fix their issues yet once again the Town has failed to accurately represent the community. I believe the items addressed in the Towns 8-point plan are merely a guise to trick the public into thinking the town is acting and to allow themselves and WM to reap the financial benefits. My following comment

? The damage has already been done to our community and will continue until something is done. In my opinion that action would be to close the landfill completely. Since the Perinton town can only control the Perinton side of the landfill. I would ask the town to close and cap the Perinton side of the landfill and continue the benefits in the HCA continue. Our town's agreement with WM will go on long after this happens, and the Town will still have the leverage to compel WM to fix their issues. The major issue we are facing now are a result of the fugitive gases being released on the Perinton side of the landfill. Closing and capping this section of the landfill will reduce the odor issues we are currently facing. Rather than looking to reap revenue from WM the town should stop the odors from the landfill and focus on creating a destination people will want to visit with events such as Canal Days, the Food and Music Festival, the Scarecrow Festival, day trips to visit the towns restaurants and venues such as Fairport Brewery. This would not only benefit the town, but also our local businesses which the town should want to attract. No one will come with the smells that permeate this community.

? While the town has made a statement that they will reduce intake from NYC, the reduction of 15% is not nearly enough to assuage the odor issues. Instead, the town should at minimum request a 50% reduction of the total permitted annual volume. The town should be limiting the total tonnage to no more than 325,000 tons per year. This is the only way the reduction will lead to a meaningful change in the odors we are experiencing.

? The town requested information about the acceptance of aged MSW. In my opinion there is not enough information here to properly address the question to my satisfaction. It would be helpful to know the average time it takes a trash train from NY to get to HA under normal circumstances. We could then determine the true overage time that should be put in place. Maybe the town already knows this. The train derailment incident that occurred in 2019 which was truly problematic for our community. The trains in that scenario sat idle for 3 weeks and were then unbearable when they reached High Acres. So, this is truly too long a time. That is too long. Garbage tends to smell after a few days and kept in warm conditions, like on a train, would only intensify this odor. Passenger trains can make the trip from NYC to Rochester in 8 hours, given the logistics involved here I am guessing that is too short. Based on the above, I would like to see any train diverted that takes more than 3 days from its point of origin to get to High Acres. Any train taking longer than this should be diverted, or steps should be taken to mitigate the odor issues, which I am not sure can be reasonably done.

? The town has discussed a "Notification Management Program" which is basically a hot line. This would cause a great inconvenience to residents waiting on hold for someone to answer their call. What if they get disconnected or their call does not get answered, then those are calls that are not logged and don't count towards measurement of the issue.

Some Community member use an app that was created by a local resident to monitor the complaints. With the deep pockets of WM, I am not sure why they could not put in place a similar app that would collect data. I believe that the reason this will not be implemented has nothing to do with cost but will instead report the true issue faced her in Perinton by the community. The application can be uses to collect a myriad of data that can show the true issue. All parties can also receive real time data that cannot be altered. Follow-ups can be done from there.

Complaints need to be followed up on by an independent third party - someone having independence from WM, the community, and the Town. This is something that the Citizen Advisory Committee could handle and report the findings directly to the town. The company must be vetted to ensure they will be honest and not only report issues that help the interests of WM.

Utilizing a service like Towpath is a conflict of interest and causes he said / she said situations. This is unfair, especially since the word of the Police Chief and /or his wife, is taken time and time again over that of hundreds of residents.

Additionally, while the company will agree with residents that there is an issue, this is measured to avoid conflict rather than to deliver an honest assessment. Invariably, Towpath has agreed with residents that an issue exists and then will turn around and file a report saying there was no odor smelled. How could a community believe an entity that lies to them time and time again?

Today, why are we relying on techniques that are outdated rather than on technology which can avoid human errors or manipulation of the data. If WM wants to operate in this town, the Board should ensure that they put in the accurate systems to log complaints and measure the odors, with results that are delivered simultaneously to all parties. This would make the process conflict free and eliminate an additional burden on residents that are already inundated by this issue.

? While it is great that the town has requested a Property Value Protection Program, how can I comment on the merits of such a plan if I do not know the areas that will be included in this plan. Please release a coverage map to the community. I am guessing the map does not cover nearly enough of Perinton to be accepted by the residents which is why it was not released.

Furthermore, I do not believe the coverage of 15% fair market value is sufficient. Residents need to see a more meaningful coverage level which should be 50% or more. The plan should also require a property that has been on the market for 6 months or more to be purchased by WM at fair market value. If the odor is not the issue, then WM should be able to sell the property. If odor is the issue, they will be stuck with a worthless property rather than the resident that moved to Perinton and was affected by the issue.

? In the matter of off-site impacts, the term actionable levels are too undefined and narrow to serve the community. An odor should be an odor. If it smells, it smells. The community and other parties need to be involved in defining and confirming what an odor is.

Complaints and odor levels need to be defined in a manner that Complaints need to come not only from the hot line but a more reliable source like a real-time app. Not all residents have the time to sit on the phone when they have a problem and wait until someone answers. This might be acceptable if the hotline was replaced by an app. If the hotline received 2 calls and app registers 100 complaints, the two hotline complaints may be deemed "not at actionable levels."

Please consider the information provided herein as well as other information received from residents. For too long the town has not been serving the community regarding High Acres. Please do the right thing and take a strong and firm stance with this agreement and include language that will serve the community.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this important issue.



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MSW originating from the five (5) burrows of New York City and delivered to the Facility by rail shall not exceed a certain small % of the total permitted annual volume as referenced in Section XII of this HCA, and shall be measured on a monthly basis. This restriction does not reduce the annual volume permitted for this Facility."

a. This limitation of NYC waste is not specific enough to draw a conclusion on. More details are needed. Per the DEC, the site is permitted to take in 1,400,000 tons of waste per year (all inclusive). Supervisor Hanna has mentioned a 50% limit of the total permitted annual volume. That would equate to a 700,000-ton limit on NYC waste. 2020 NYC waste intake by rail was 646,000 tons. So, by using the numbers mentioned, the draft does not reduce the NYC intake when compared to 2020.

b. The draft should read that NYC waste should be reduced by 50% compared to 2020 intake amounts. That means going forward, NYC waste intake should be no more than 325,000 tons per year. It should NOT be based on a percentage of total permitted annual volume, it should be based on the number we currently see coming to the site, which we know is not manageable for WM. The decrease has to be MEANINGFUL to reduce odor risk going forward.

WMNY shall not accept, by any mode of transportation, MSW for disposal at the Facility that is considered aged waste that has a generation time of greater than a short number of days from its point of origin."

a. This limitation of aged MSW is not specific enough to draw a conclusion. More details are needed. We can draw experience from the odor event caused by the train derailment in 2019. Trash trains were diverted to Maryland for 3 weeks before being delivered to High Acres. The result was horrendous garbage odors in the community for a full week, due to those train containers being opened up after 3 weeks. The limitation on aged waste should be as short as possible for NYC waste by rail that still allows the scheduling to work for CSX and WM. I don't know if that's 3 days, 5 days, or something else, but it should not be any greater than necessary to make a normal delivery. The shorter this number can be made, the better for the community. Anything over 7 would seem too long.

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"NOTIFICATION MANAGEMENT PROGRAM"

- a. Do not force the community to utilize the hotline. Residents are already inconvenienced by having to constantly deal with odors impacting their lives. The reporting tool should be as convenient as possible, and the residents were kind enough to develop their own mobile application which is accurate, timely, and provides better information than can be given on the phone by the resident (weather, coordinates). It's clear that the town, state, and WM think this tool is too convenient. If the town believes there are flaws with the mobile application, then the town should develop its own mobile application to use, or ask the state or WM to develop an application. The bar has been set, and we refuse to use a hotline like it's 1985.
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- c. Human evaluation of odors will ALWAYS be flawed. Technology is available to measure odors, and the town should request that WM equip the odor investigators with that technology, so human error and corruption is removed from the equation altogether.

"PROPERTY VALUE PROTECTION PROGRAM"

- a. Without the map of the area the town is requesting be covered, it is difficult to evaluate the program. More details are needed related to the covered area.
- b. The program does not take into account a situation where the general housing market is "normal" or "slow", and the landfill odors spike like they did in late 2017 and 2018. With those market and landfill conditions, the 15% coverage below fair market value is not sufficient. The coverage should be 50%. If the percentage cannot be changed, then there needs to be a backstop to the program. WM should be forced to buy the property at the fair market value if the house cannot sell for 15% below fair market value and has been on the market for 6 months. That is a true property value protection program, that covers the residents during the "worst case scenario".

"OFF-SITE IMPACTS"

- a. The "Actionable Levels" defined in the draft will not serve the community effectively. First, only complaints from the hotline are considered. The community refuses to use the hotline. Complaints from the mobile application MUST be considered. Second, based on the last three years of Towpath reports, the vast majority of odor complaints are refuted by either saying there are no odors, or minimizing the odors with a very low odor level (usually .5). Based on the chart in the draft, along with historical data from Towpath, there will never be an "Actionable Level" of odors that would require a response and action from WM. If the town wants the

community to believe the chart in the draft will be effective, then the town should provide the historical data on what would be considered an odor event based on the chart as it is. In other words, over the last 3 years, how many "Actionable Level" events would have occurred if the chart in the draft was in place? Lastly, the chart will create confusion in the community. How odors are confirmed and what the definition of an "odor event" is needs to be very simple and straightforward. If it smells, it smells. Simplify the complaint process, the verification process, and the requirement of WM providing the reason and plan to remediate. The combined requirements of the hotline, volume of complaints, time to confirm the complaints, method to confirm the complaints, and rolling time limits all serve to complicate the process and minimize the amount of "Actionable Levels" so no remediation will be required. That is unacceptable for something that is supposed to benefit the community.

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I've lived in Fairport (Perinton) for 29 years. It's only been since around 2015 that the odors from the landfill has affected my quality of life. I can no longer recommend Fairport to people that may want to live here.

The HCA does not go far enough to upgrade our quality of life to what it was before 2015.

Where are the specifics on how much MSW will be permitted from NYC? In maintaining the permitted tons of waste allowed by the DEC and limiting, as a percentage, of what is permitted for NYC, the percentage would have to be around 15% to get back to the 2015 amount. As I understand, the word "limit" is being used, not "reduce." We need to reduce what is taken in by NYC by about 30% of what the intake was in 2020.

In the case of limiting the time for aged waste, again, the HCA is not specific enough. At this point it seems you can put any number of days you want. How do I comment on that? There has been at least one instance of waste aging for 3 weeks in 2019 that resulted in horrendous odors in the community.

Why is it that WM or the town cannot come up with a much more convenient odor reporting tool than the hotline? Concerned citizens were able to come up with a convenient cell phone app quickly and inexpensively. I have used the current hotline in the past, only to be put on hold and then hung up on. I have had someone come to my door accusing my neighbors of making up the odors to skew the results; very insulting. The town was able to come up with a "more mobile friendly" Public Comment Form for the HCA, why not a mobile friendly app for reporting odors?

The conflict of interest in having Towpath investigate complaints boggles my mind. The hotline and investigating system have proven to be inaccurate as people's complaints have been misrepresented. The communities mobile app must be considered.

In my opinion, the landfill should be capped until this is resolved to the satisfaction of the community. By renewing the current Special use Permit while violations occur makes me very suspicious of what our town leaders and their motivations. The motivations should be tied to the community's quality of life, not to the pocket book or other political motivations.

Sincerely,

[REDACTED]

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New HOST COMMUNITY AGREEMENT

Public Comment Form

Name:	[REDACTED]
Date:	May 2, 2021
Address:	[REDACTED]
Email:	[REDACTED]

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Comments:

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the New Host Community Agreement. I hope that the public input will be genuinely reviewed and taken into consideration as the town prepares for this new host agreement.

There are a number of concerns I have with the Host Agreement that has been shared. The first is that a "host agreement", by definition, implies that the relationship is mutually beneficial for both parties. I would argue that the relationship between High Acres and the Town of Perinton could not be any more one-sided. Waste Management has taken advantage of the town, it's elected officials, and the residents themselves for years now. The landfill changed drastically the day the first trash trains arrived and the residents have suffered since. The last few years have been arguably the worst in the history of the landfill and, despite the "best efforts" by Waste Management to address the odor issues, they still continue (even as I write this email). If the last few years are any indication of what the next 20 years will be like than I fear the future for town is doomed.

The new agreement attempts to limit the amount of trash arriving by rail, although it is unclear what the exact target of this clause is attempting to accomplish. Any trash train arriving to Waste Management is too many. In no uncertain terms, the new agreement should eliminate any trash arriving via rail into the High Acres facility. The odor issues are directly related to trash train traffic and until that is completely eliminated, there is no hope of any odor issues going away. High Acres should return to the local municipal landfill that it once was, pre-trash trains and pre-odor issues. At the same time, the Perinton side of the landfill should be permanently capped and Waste Management should never be allowed to dump on the Perinton side again. I fear for the day the temporary tarps are removed and the odors of pre-tarp resume. There is absolutely no good reason to subject residents to this type of aggressive landfill gas odor ever again.

It is very evident the Perinton side of the landfill was never equipped with the infrastructure to properly manage the amount of trash that was dumped there via train, and the notion of adding to the problem with additional waste in the future is just incomprehensible.

Another point of the new host agreement that is blank but deserves input from the community is the amount of time waste can age before arriving at High Acres. A few years ago, the Town Supervisor sent an email to residents (on behalf of High Acres) letting them know that trash trains would be arriving with aged waste on them. Residents should never be subjected to this type of odor (it was horrendous) and this was absolutely unacceptable. Also, it's not usually a good business practice for a Supervisor to run interference on behalf of a billion dollar company but that's a separate topic. No trash should ever arrive to the facility if it's been aging for more than 3 days. I know how my own trash smells in a hot garage after 3 days and there's a good reason trash is picked up from homes on a weekly basis. Again, High Acres was originally designed to be a municipal landfill and should be treated like one. Anything arriving with more than 4 days of sitting will undoubtedly cause odor issues and disruption to residents.

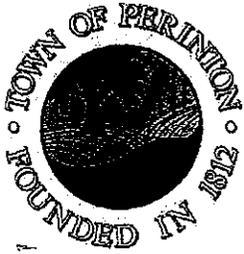
The notification management program as spelled out in the new agreement is grossly insufficient. Asking residents to phone into an antiquated hotline that is manned by a Waste Management employee is completely unacceptable and somewhat insulting that this is even proposed to begin with. In today's day and age with technology, there are much better, more reliable, more "real-time" ways to address the notification. The app designed by FAFE captures, tracks, and maintains all of the same information that the person on the other end of the telephone working for Waste Management, would receive. I personally have never had a good experience using the hotline and it's unrealistic for me to smell the landfill while on a run, stop my run, dial a hotline, be on the phone on hold, then transferred to an operator for 5 minutes, and then resume my run when I can accomplish the same task in less than 10 seconds using the app. If, for some reason, you feel the FAFE app is not sufficient than Waste Management should be responsible for developing and launching their own app. If FAFE, a small non-profit, can launch an app in a matter of weeks than imagine what a multi-billion dollar corporation can come up with? I also strongly object to the odor investigation program with Towpath. I have personally shared with the town examples of incompetent investigations where Towpath has arrived to my house, drove by with their windows up (as captured by my doorbell camera) and then reported there were no odors observed during their investigation. I shared the video directly with the supervisor and was told he shared it with the DEC but there was nothing he could do about it. Now is your chance to do something – do not accept Towpath as an odor verification method. In addition to their incompetence, there are clearly conflicts of interest given his position with the town of Macedon.

While the property value protection program could be a step in the right direction, again there are significant details missing that make it difficult to comment on how the program would operate. My biggest concern with living in the vicinity of High Acres is that when I go to sell my home in retirement, it will be worth absolutely nothing at that time due to 20 more years of High Acres uncontrolled and unregulated growth. In the event things continue to go the way they are going, I have little doubt that my home will never sell for market value. With this in mind, the program should cover 50% of the fair market value of the home and, in the event a home cannot be sold after 6 months on the market, Waste Management would then buy out the home at that time. Finally, the language included in the off-site impacts section leaves a lot to be desired. I'm curious to understand what constitutes a complaint, what constitutes the verification process, and what constitutes an actionable level. A complaint should be anything logged in the FAFE app (or an app developed by WM in it's place) but not called into a hotline. An actionable level should be anytime there are multiple complaints in the same area, without the investigation of some arbitrary "trained" investigator who has direct conflicts of interest tied to his work.

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If there is an odor and multiple people are subjected to it and report it, that's an issue and should be considered a verified complaint. The way the town has currently proposed the program completely misses the mark and does not realistically address the issues that residents are experiencing today. Thank you again for your time in reviewing my comments. I would be happy to meet personally or attend an open session should the opportunity become available.





HOST COMMUNITY AGREEMENT

Public Comment Form

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Date:	5/2/2021
Address:	[REDACTED]
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Comments:

Having lived in this community for 48 years, I believe we need to be concerned about the quality of life enjoyed in the community, the health and well being of our residents, and the reputation of our community as well as the value of our homes. Therefore, I believe it is time to cap the landfill and close it. The odors/smells really are sickening. We do not need to be a dumping ground for any garbage or refuse from New York City. Please cap and close the landfill.

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Comments:

The town should be capping and closing the Perinton side of the landfill, while requesting the benefits listed in the HCA continue. The towns argument that it will lose its seat at the table if the landfill is capped and closed is disingenuous. A capped and closed landfill still has to be maintained and managed according to federal and state permits, and will still generate revenue for WM via the capture and conveyance of landfill gas which is converted to power and sold to the grid. the majority of landfill gas odors are caused by fugitive gases emanating from the Perinton side of the landfill, and permanently capping and closing that side will drastically reduce odor complaints, which should be the town ' s number one priority. Reduced revenue from WM to the town can be overcome by a minor increase in taxes. The town is keeping the landfill open by renewing the Special Use Permit, despite violations, to keep revenue coming to the town so taxes don ' t need to be increased, placing politics ahead of the well being of the community. MSW originating from the five (5) burrows of New York City and delivered to the Facility by rail shall not exceed ___% of the total permitted annual volume as referenced in Section XII of this HCA, and shall be measured on a monthly basis. This restriction does not reduce the annual volume permitted.a. This limitation of NYC waste is not specific enough. More details are needed. Per the DEC, the site is permitted to take in 1,400,000 tons of waste per year. Supervisor Hanna has mentioned a 50% limit of the total permitted annual volume. That would equate to a 700,000-ton limit on NYC waste. 2020 NYC waste intake by rail was 646,000 tons. using the numbers mentioned, the draft does not reduce the NYC intake when compared to 2020.b. The draft should read that NYC waste should be reduced by 50% compared to 2020 intake amounts NYC waste intake should be no more than 325,000 tons per year. It should NOT be based on total permitted annual volume, but based on the number we currently see coming to the site, which is not manageable for WM. The decrease has to be meaningful to reduce odor risk.

The "Actionable Levels" defined in the draft will not serve the community effectively. First, only complaints from the hotline are considered. The community refuses to use the hotline. Complaints from the mobile application MUST be considered. Second, based on the last three years of Towpath reports, the vast majority of odor complaints are refuted by either saying there are no odors, or minimizing the odors with a very low odor level (usually .5). Based on the chart in the draft, along with historical data from Towpath, there will never be an "Actionable Level" of odors that would require a response and action from WM. If the town wants the community to believe the chart in the draft will be effective, then the town should provide the historical data on what would be considered an odor event based on the chart as it is. In other words, over the last 3 years, how many "Actionable Level" events would have occurred if the chart in the draft was in place? Lastly, the chart will create confusion in the community. How odors are confirmed and what the definition of an "odor event" is needs to be very simple and straightforward. If it smells, it smells. Simplify the complaint process, the verification process, and the requirement of WM providing the reason and plan to remediate. The combined requirements of the hotline, volume of complaints, time to confirm the complaints, method to confirm the complaints, and rolling time limits all serve to complicate the process and minimize the amount of "Actionable Levels" so no remediation will be required. That is unacceptable for something that is supposed to benefit the community.

WMNY shall not accept, by any mode of transportation, MSW for disposal at the Facility that is considered aged waste that has a generation time of greater than _____ days from its point of origin. "

a. This limitation of aged MSW is not specific enough to draw a conclusion. More details are needed. We can draw experience from the odor event caused by the train derailment in 2019. Trash trains were diverted to Maryland for 3 weeks before being delivered to High Acres. The result was horrendous garbage odors in the community for a full week, due to those train containers being opened up after 3 weeks. The limitation on aged waste should be as short as possible for NYC waste by rail that still allows the scheduling to work for CSX and WM; it should not be any greater than necessary to make a normal delivery. The shorter this number can be made, the better for the community.

NOTIFICATION MANAGEMENT PROGRAM "

a. The reporting tool should be as convenient as possible, and the residents were kind enough to develop their own mobile application which is accurate, timely, and provides better information than can be given on the phone by the resident (weather, coordinates). It ' s clear that the town, state, and WM think this tool is too convenient. If the town believes there are flaws with the mobile application, then the town should develop its own mobile application to use, or ask the state or WM to develop an application.

b. Towpath cannot be used to investigate complaints. It is well documented that there is a significant conflict of interest for Chief Colella since his salary and department budget in Macedon is directly tied to revenue coming from WM. He ' s also partnered with WM to explore ways to exploit the methane to energy plan for additional revenue. Outside of the conflict of interest, Towpath has been consistently lying to residents when residents greet them after an odor complaint. They will tell residents they agree that there are odors present, then in their reports to WM and public officials, they deny odors existed. We have proof of this through documented interactions and FOIL documents. The community believes Towpath is only in place to help defend WM in court, and they are not an independent third party. They must be replaced by a company who is approved by the Citizen Advisory Committee.

c. Human evaluation of odors will always be flawed. Technology is available to measure odors, and the town should request that WM equip the odor investigators with that technology, so human error and corruption is removed from the equation altogether.

PROPERTY VALUE PROTECTION PROGRAM "

a. Without the map of the area the town is requesting be covered, it is difficult to evaluate the program. More details are needed related to the covered area.

b. The program does not take into account a situation where the general housing market is " normal " or " slow " , and the landfill odors spike like they did in late 2017 and 2018. With those market and landfill conditions, the 15% coverage below fair market value is not sufficient. The coverage should be 50%. If the percentage cannot be changed, then there needs to be a backstop to the program. WM should be forced to buy the property at the fair market value if the house cannot sell for 15% below fair market value and has been on the market for 6 months. That is a true property value protection program, that covers the residents during the " worst case scenario " .

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New HOST COMMUNITY AGREEMENT

Public Comment Form

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Address:	[REDACTED]
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Comments:

Thank you for the opportunity to offer comment on the new HCA.

Summary of Points

- 1) The term of the HCA should be for a twelve month period maximum, renewable annually, and only renewable if the Town of Perinton Public Works Department has determined WM is in 100% compliance of all requirements in the HCA. Yes, the term is short but the public has lost patience with WM to operate the landfill in good faith, therefore, the residents of the Town of Perinton ask that the Town of Perinton Public Works Department insure, on the residents behalf, that all provisions of the HCA are being complied with.
- 2) The " front door " of the High Acres landfill in the Town of Perinton be closed by 12/31/2021 and a new " front door " being placed in the Town of Macedon.
- 3) Waste Management pays all homeowners in the Town of Peinton living East of Route 250 a one-time reparation of \$10,000 for the heretofore odor issues and the unsightliness of the landfill and for losing control of the odor emissions from the landfill in the 2017-2018 timeframe, and on and off odor issues since then.
- 4) That Waste Management Waste Management pays all homeowners in the Town of Perinton living East of Route 250 a monthly reparation of \$1,000 for constant disturbance of the peace in the middle of the night on weekdays and weekends by trains deliveing waste by rail until such time as the waste delivered to the landfill by train from New York City, reaches a 50% reduction from current levels, then \$500 per month until the reduction reaches 75% from current levels, and then is longer paid once the reduction reaches 100% from current levels.

5) That the New York State Police, Monroe County Sheriff, and the Village of Fairport police rigorously, continuously and consistently enforce speed limits of all vehicles, including, trucks, tractor-trailers, haulers, coming to or leaving the High Acres landfill as they are mostly exceeding the posted speed limit with regularity creating a safety issue for all other users of the roadways within the Town of Perinton.

6) That all waste coming from New York City by rail be brought to an end by no later than 12/31/2021. The rail cars mostly come in the middle of the night, waking and keeping residents awake. This is out and out noise pollution of the highest and worst order. Until they stop coming with rail waste from other communities, it is required that they only come and leave between 7:00 am and 7:00 pm Eastern Time.

7) That the Town of Perinton and the County of Monroe work with the Town of Macedon and the County of Wayne, as well as with New York State's two Federal Senators representing New York State, to curtail the transit to and from the High Acres landfill of beginning 1/1/2022, and that until then, rail waste operations can only take place between 7:00 am and 7:00 pm Eastern Time. If the Town of Perinton can be respectful of its neighbors in the Town of Perinton and in the adjacent Town of Macedon, certainly our elected officials can insure the Town of Macedon and the County of Wayne does the same thing in return for its adjacent neighbors in the Town of Perinton.

8) That the complete, 100% closure date of the landfill be changed and reduced from 2062 to 2030.

9) The communications from the Town of Perinton states that not receiving landfill revenue from WM could increase the tax burden of the Town of Perinton residents. This seems like a worthy trade off when one considers the negative impact to quality of life residents living in the Town of Perinton and living in proximity to the High Acres landfill are experiencing, plus the extremely high value placed on a basic human right to breathe clean, unpolluted air, and to not have their peaceful use of their residential properties consistently disturbed from the noise pollution emanating from the landfill.

Maybe the residents need to vote on which is more important, to help Town Leaders determine priorities—clean air, significant reduction in noise reduction, significant reduction in dangerous trucks, tractor-trailers and haulers on the town's roadways, and less wear and tear on those same roadways, with a resulting scale back in certain town services or vice versa.

Thank you very much for this opportunity to comment and thank you for your time reading these comments and your consideration of them. Lets return the eastern half of the Town of Perinton a highly desired section of the Town and the County to live in.

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Address:	[REDACTED]
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Comments:

The negative impact that Waste Management has had on our town is reprehensible and our officials must take a hardball approach to the negotiations of this New Community Host Agreement.

Given the problems of the past few years and the continuing onslaught of odors and noise emanating from High Acres I would argue that the entire Perinton side be closed and capped immediately!

Of course the town's argument will be that we will lose revenue and control. I for one would be willing to make up for the reduction of revenue by a slight tax increase. And as far as control--there will have to be an ongoing agreement with our town because the landfill--closed or not-- will continue to exist. And Waste Management will continue to profit from the sale of gas from our side of the landfill.

The amount of trash that is being hauled in from NYC should be reduced by at least 50%. In 2020 646,000 tons were brought in from NYC which accounted for 90% of the municipal solid waste dumped in High Acres! Based on this figure a 50% reduction would limit the intake to 323,000 tons NOT the "100,000 fewer tons" that was quoted in the April 12, 2021 City News article.

Aged garbage: After the incident in 2019, no garbage aged beyond 1 week from its point of origin should be permitted to enter the landfill. No exceptions.

Reporting & Verification of odor & noise events: A new third-party verification entity must be hired; we have lost confidence in the current provider.

Reporting of an odor or noise complaint should be easy and straightforward.

The hot line for reporting is antiquated. The vast majority of us use Apps and one should be developed and maintained by the new third party--and the results be easily accessible and visible to the community.

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Public Comment Form

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Date:	5/3/2021
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Comments:

The waste from NYC needs to be stopped or significantly reduced.

The hotline should NOT only be a phone number of a mobile application. It's 2021 and *EVERYTHING* is online and easily accessible. We have a proven web application with thousands of data points of data, more than a telephone hotline could ever produce. The notification system MUST include an online mobile application.



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Date:	5/3/2020
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Comments:

1. The town should be capping and closing the Perinton side of the landfill. I am willing to pay higher tax and/or town reduce spending to compensate the "lost revenue" from Waste Management
2. Limite the aged waste from NYC or other state, to reduce the odor.
3. More details on the "PROPERTY VALUE PROTECTION PROGRAM". I am very concerned about my property value, and have not been informed if I am covered in this program or not.
3. Develop convinience odor complaint tool, the current hotline is inconvinient and insufficient. Towpath cannot be used to investigate complaints. It is well documented that there is a significant conflict of interest for Chief Colella since his salary and department budget in Macedon is directly tied to revenue coming from WM. He's also partnered with WM to explore ways to exploit the methane to energy plan for additional revenue.



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Comments:

Please see attached comments.

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_____ submits the comments below to the Draft Host Community Agreement, dated April 12, 2021 ("HCA"), between the Town of Perinton ("Town") and Waste Management of New York, L.L.C. ("WMNY").

GENERAL COMMENTS ON THE HCA.

As an initial and general comment about the HCA as a whole, we are disheartened and dismayed by the amount of power the Town of Perinton ("Town") is voluntarily recusing to WMNY. The Town is not exercising the substantial authority it maintains through its Code, namely its Solid Waste Facility Permit section, § 208-21(D), and required Special Use Permit ("Special Permit"). WMNY needs this Special Permit to legally operate within the Town. Importantly and despite the fluff language used in Section I entitled "Purpose" of the HCA, WMNY is required to enter into a contract with the Town as part of its Use Permit. *See* § 208-21(D)(5). This requirement should be acknowledged in the HCA.

Further, it is clear that the Town prefers to pass the buck to the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation ("NYSDEC"), rather than retaining any power and control itself. The law in New York is very favorable towards municipalities seeking to regulate and control solid waste management facilities such as the High Acres Landfill ("Landfill"). *See Jones v. Town of Carroll*, 122 A.D.3d 1234, 996 N.Y.S.2d 804 (4th Dep't 2014), *lv. to app. den'd*, 25 N.Y.3d 910, 15 N.Y.S.3d 287 (2015) (upholding a law that "generally regulat[es] the operation of [solid waste management] facilities in the interest of public safety and welfare" by completely prohibiting their operation because "[i]t is well established that a municipality has the authority, pursuant to its police powers, to impose conditions of operation . . . upon preexisting nonconforming uses to protect public safety and welfare.") [internal citations omitted]. We strongly urge the Town to reconsider its position and redraft this agreement to retain all its powers and authorities, as the Town is in the best position to truly protect the communities interests, rather than the NYSDEC or WMNY.

Another initial comment is that material terms in this draft are wholly lacking. It is unconscionable to think that the community can provide substantive comments when the most controversial and arguably important portions of the HCA are blank. The community cannot determine whether this agreement is beneficial to the community without these terms. Further, the majority of exhibits to the HCA are missing. Given the multitude of references to Exhibit B, the "Commitment Letter," its absence alone is grounds for an additional comment period. We therefore demand that the public, or at least FAFE, be given another opportunity to comment on the HCA once the terms are finalized.

Further, it is not clear whether the Town has or plans to conduct the required review under the State Environmental Quality Review Act ("SEQRA" or "the Act"). The approval of this HCA is subject to SEQRA. *See* 6 NYCRR 617.2, 617.3. Approving an agreement that without a doubt may cause a significant impact on the environment is certainly subject to the Act. *See* Environmental Conservation Law Article 8. An Environmental Impact Statement is required when an action "may include the potential for at least one significant adverse environmental impact." 6 NYCRR 617.7(a)(1). It cannot be considered a Type II action. *See* 6 NYCRR 617.5. The Town must comply with SEQRA. *See Waterloo Contractors, Inc. v. Town of Seneca Falls Town Bd.*, 2017 NY Slip Op. 31977(U) (Sup. Ct. Seneca Co. 2017) (annulling a decision by a Town to commence an action allowing a Landfill to operate past a certain date without analyzing

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the likely environmental impacts of that action). We look forward to participating in the SEQRA process.

Finally, an HCA should be effective and in place regardless of whether the Landfill is open or closed in Perinton. The Town is sending WMNY the wrong message when it suggests that it does not have a seat at the table once the Landfill is closed. The Landfill will be in Perinton forever, will continue to generate landfill gas for decades, and will still be able to create nuisance conditions once closed. The Town needs to make clear in no uncertain terms that an HCA needs to be in existence whether the Landfill is open or closed since the Town will need a fund to monitor and deal with the lingering effects of the Landfill in perpetuity.

In conclusion, the Town waited a very long time to issue this document and the Special Permit application has not even been submitted. Since the Special Permit is also subject to SEQRA, there appears to be too little time to perform a compliant SEQRA review. We look forward to the opportunity to comment on a completed draft of this HCA. The most critical terms were missing in this draft - notably the number of days waste can be in a rail car; the volume of NYC garbage that will be reduced; who is included in the PVPP, the fee to the Town, etc. - and at the same time the Town has negotiated against its citizens in the PVPP limiting the percentage of loss it can recover from WMNY to 15%. The Town almost negotiates the terms of this HCA as if it is not in a position of power which is certainly not the case. Therefore, the final draft provisions should be far more favorable. Failure to do so would be a disservice to the community.

WHEREAS CLAUSE THREE.

Curiously lacking from this WHEREAS clause is any mention of the current Benefits Agreement, dated December 31, 2013, which expired on December 31, 2018 and has been proceeding on a month-to-month basis. This information should be included.

WHEREAS CLAUSE FOUR.

Essential terms are missing and therefore comprehensive comments cannot be provided. We request another opportunity to comment once the terms have been finalized. Further, we suggest that the Town limit the year term to no more than two years, in order to reassess and ensure WMNY is fulfilling its promises. However, preferably the HCA would not extend past August 22, 2021 when WMNY's Special Use Permit expires, or July 8, 2023, the date WMNY's Landfill permit expires with NYSDEC.

Additionally, this clause should include language that indicates that Town Board approval at a public hearing is required in order for the HCA to be effective.

WHEREAS CLAUSE FIVE.

This clause should also include the requirement that Town Board approval is required in order for the HCA to be amended "from time to time." These amendments should not take place behind closed doors and should instead be openly discussed at a public hearing.

SECTION II.B: AGED WASTE.

This definition is highly problematic. Aside from the fact that it lacks essential terms, it is very ambiguous and could be subject to a variety of interpretations and varying timelines. The age of waste should be calculated from the day it is deposited into a garbage receptacle in order to

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truly measure and calculate its potential to cause odors. The Town should explain how it intends on calculating this number, and the community should be given an opportunity to comment once it does.

SECTION II.K: GENERATION TIME.

“Railcan” should be “railcar.”

SECTION IV.B: USE.

As the Town is aware, WMNY is only permitted to operate the Landfill within the Town via a Special Permit for a solid waste management facility permit (the “Special Permit”) granted to it by the Zoning Board of Appeals on August 22, 2016. This Special Permit expires on August 22, 2021. The Special Permit is granted under § 208-21 of the Town Code, which states that the “dumping of waste material [] is prohibited in all districts in the Town,” unless a Special Permit is issued. Before it issued the Special Permit, the ZBA found the following facts to be true under Town Code § 208-21:

The granting of such permit is in the public interest to establish environmentally sound facilities to dispose of and treat solid waste.

Adequate plans have been presented to show that the solid waste facility does not create a public hazard; that the solid waste facility does not unduly interfere with the quiet enjoyment of adjacent properties; and that sufficient precautions are to be taken to prevent fires or the creation and spread of smoke, odor, dust, fumes or noises liable to become a nuisance; and that when the operation is completed, the fill material or disturbed area will be covered with at least six inches of clean nondeleterious topsoil within a reasonable time thereafter and seeded with a permanent pasture mixture or other fast-growing surface vegetation and that such reseeded is continued until growth has been established.

We are very concerned that there is a chance this HCA may extend past the expiration date of the Special Permit. We feel that puts the Town in an unfavorable position if this HCA is executed but it wishes to deny renewal of the Special Permit. Regardless, the terms and code provisions related to the Special Permit should be included within this Section of the HCA.

Regarding Sub Section IV.B.3.a. and Sub Section IV.B.4, the Town should be aware that it appears WMNY has violated the Town’s prohibition of disposal of natural gas and/or petroleum extraction, exploration or production wastes, *see* Town Code § 144-5, when it accepted 60 tons of “Frac Tank Solids” on December 17, 2018. Regardless, the Landfill routinely accepts unique wastes that the Town should be aware of, including petroleum contaminated soils, rotten milk, dead deer, friable asbestos, transformer oil impacted soils, PCB contaminated stones, POTW sludge, moldy drywall, etc. WMNY seeks NYSDEC approval for these “Special Wastes.” The Town should insist that it also be provided copies of all Special Waste requests made to NYSDEC and all approvals.

Subsections IV.B.3.b, 3.c, and 3.e. are missing essential terms, and therefore comprehensive comments cannot be provided. We request another opportunity to comment once the terms have been finalized.

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While the concept behind Section IV.B.3.e. is sound, the Town should explain exactly how WMNY will determine when waste becomes "aged waste" and must be rejected by WMNY. These details are extremely important and should be detailed in the HCA.

Finally, regarding Section IV.B.7., the Town does in fact have grounds to enforce and restrict WMNY. Town Code § 208-21(D)(6) states that "[a]ny permit issued hereunder may be revoked after a hearing to be held upon 10 days' written notice to the holder of such permit, upon proof presented to the Zoning Board of Appeals that any condition of this section or the approval granted has not been complied with." Conditions include that the Landfill be an "environmentally sound facilit[y]," that the Landfill "does not unduly interfere with the quiet enjoyment of adjacent properties," and "that sufficient precautions are to be taken to prevent fires or the creation and spread of smoke, odor, dust, fumes or noises liable to become a nuisance." See Town Code § 208-21(D)(2)(b). The Town does not need to commit to going to Arbitration when its own Code provides an adequate remedy.

SECTION V: TERMS AND SEVERABILITY.

Essential terms are missing and therefore comprehensive comments cannot be provided. We request another opportunity to comment once the terms have been finalized. Further, this Section should include that Town Board approval is required before the HCA can be effective.

SECTION VI.C.: NOTIFICATIONS.

The concept behind Subsection 3 is admirable but it is unclear how this will be enforced. The phrase "where undue odors (gas or garbage) may result" is ambiguous. This section should detail how WMNY will determine that.

The Town should create an email listserv to then subsequently alert interested residents of the notifications required in this Section. The Town should also post on its website so that the Community can be aware and prepare for undue odors.

SECTION VI.D.: FACILITY LIASION (SIC).

Is a Citizen Advisory Committee the same as a Citizen Advisory Board? Normally, Citizen Advisory Boards are community organizations comprised of local residents, including those appointed by the municipalities and NYSDEC as the regulator, so it is curious why WMNY is involved in the formation. The Town needs to explain in more detail how this Committee will be formed, how members will be appointed, the expectations with respect to issues and recommendations of the Committee and the required response of the Town and WMNY to them, and the budget and source of funding for the Committee to engage appropriate, independent subject matter experts. We hereby request that at least one FAFE representative be on the Committee.

SECTION VII: NOTIFICATION MANAGEMENT PROGRAM.

This entire section is very concerning and is in need of a total revamp. First, the Town and WMNY should refer to the FAFE odor tracking application ("FAFE App") data in order to determine whether WMNY is in compliance with the complaint management program. The FAFE data supplied through the FAFE App includes the date and time of each Odor complaint, the name of the complainant as entered into the FAFE App, a geocoded address based on complainant's location at the time of the odor complaint, a description of the odor, its intensity on a scale of 1 to 10, the temperature, wind direction and speed, weather conditions, barometric pressure, any

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contemporaneous comments made by the complainant at the time of the report, the latitude and longitude of the complainant at the time the complaint was reported in the FAFE App, the individual odor complaint identification number, the identification of the device used to enter the odor complaint in the FAFE App, and the distance to the Landfill from the location where the complaint was reported in the FAFE App. This data is comprehensive and should not be ignored by the Town or WMNY. FAFE is willing to provide this data in the form of an excel spreadsheet on a frequent basis, and can even include the "responder" to the pre-set email list, so that residents who choose to send an email with their odor complaint can notify the "responder" immediately in real time of odor events.

Second, the HCA does not state who the "responder" will be. FAFE objects to the use of Towpath as the responder since it is a biased company and has proven to be ineffective and unreliable. Its reputation is highly questioned in the community. There is a complete lack of trust with the continued use of this company for odor complaint responses. Further it is unclear whether there will be only one responder or multiple. During certain odor events, there may be numerous complaints across a large geographical area, so it may be impossible for a single responder to arrive within 30 minutes.

Third, the Town should not have to request the complaint log, rather it should be provided to the Town on a weekly basis. WMNY should also geocode all of the complaints, or provide the information to the Town in the most effective and easy to understand manner, in order to properly identify which residents are most impacted and where the problem areas are on the Landfill. Additionally, the HCA should include what details are to be recorded on the log.

SECTION VIII: PROPERTY VALUE PROTECTION PROGRAM/ EXHIBIT C.

Below are numerous comments on specific provisions of the Program, however, generally, this program is ineffective to properly protect Perinton residents against lost value of their homes because it excludes all residents who choose to remain in their homes and not move away. These residents should not be punished for wanting to remain in their homes and the community they love. These residents still maintain a decrease in value of their property which has real financial impacts, but have been completely left out of this Program. The Program should be revamped to include payment for residents who choose to remain in their homes and endure the impacts from the Landfill.

Scope of Program. It is impossible for the community to determine whether this Program is advantageous for the community when Schedule A has not been provided. The Town must detail the portions of the community it intends to include in the Program prior to the finalization of this HCA. We suggest that the Program include no less than a four mile radius from the Landfill. Further, the scope of the program does not clearly state the duration. It should be clarified to state that the Program will be available to all Eligible Properties for the entire duration of time waste is accepted at the Facility, including when waste disposal ceases in the Town of Perinton. Finally, the definition of "Program Lands" is confusing. It describes owners as those who "previously opted, in writing, to participate in the Program," yet does not provide details on how an owner would do that and contradicts Section III.. This confusing language should be removed from this section.

Eligible Properties. This section should include "and first subsequent owner who purchases a Program Land from an original Eligible Property Owner ("Owners")," as the section on Eligible Property Owners does. Otherwise the two sections cannot be read together. Further, the language which completely excludes all FAFE Plaintiffs is arbitrary, inappropriate, and must be removed. The

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Plaintiffs in the *FAFE v. WMNY* lawsuit are some of the most impacted residents and do not deserve to be excluded from the Program. The Town must explain its justification for this. The prohibitory language is so broad that even if a FAFE Plaintiff dismisses its claims against WMNY, they still could not participate in the Program because they "participated in a legal action" against WMNY. This language is arbitrary and capricious and should be completely stricken from the HCA.

Listing of Property for Sale. The requirement that an Owner must list for three months between February and October is unfair. A resident who suddenly has to move out of the area for a job or otherwise and is forced to sell during the winter months, should not be punished and ineligible for the Program. Further, as written it appears that an Owner has to wait a full three months before reducing the asking price at all. This is highly unusual and goes against real estate norms. This language should be removed. Finally, the 15% compensation limit placed on the Program wrecks of bad faith. The entire purpose of the Program is to protect the residents who are most impacted by the Landfill. The Town should not agree to this Program that will blatantly allow WMNY to cause such financial harm to its residents.

Sale of Property/Compensation from WMNY. The term "Fair Market Value" should be explicitly defined to be "the most probable monetary price the property will bring in a competitive open market place with the assumption that the Landfill does not impact the market value..." Otherwise, the appraisal would already account for the impacts of the Landfill on property values and depress the appraised value used to determine the Program benefit. The requirement that a Program participant must give fifteen days advanced written notice seems unreasonable, and like an easy loophole for WMNY to get out of paying compensation. We suggest a shorter notification period, like five days. Further, the requirement that WMNY must receive all written offers received by the Owner is completely unnecessary. The Program already requires an affidavit from a broker listing all offers and counter offers on the property and marketing efforts taken. WMNY does not need to receive the actual offers. WMNY is not qualified to second guess a Broker, and should not be afforded an opportunity to overanalyze the offers received. Finally, the required Affidavit of Compliance should be included in the HCA so a resident can thoughtfully decide whether it wishes to participate in the Program.

Release of WMNY. Any release agreement WMNY seeks from Program participants should be included in the HCA so that a resident can thoughtfully decide whether it wishes to participate in the Program, and perhaps seek legal counsel.

Remedies. Again, the language here seems to give WMNY an easy loophole to deny an Owner compensation under the Program. For example, if an Owner only gives fourteen days advanced written notice prior to the closing, this provision as written allows WMNY to disqualify that Owner from the Program. This language is predatory and should be removed. Or, at the very least, the sentence should read, "Except where specifically excused herein, failure of Owner to **materially** adhere to the terms, conditions, steps and procedures as set forth in this HCA, **which resulted in an abuse of the Program...**"

Finally, it is clear that this Program was not uniquely crafted for the Town since it is an almost identical Program to one in the Town of Macedon. It is very disappointing that the Town did not make the effort to protect its residents.

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SECTION XI: CURB-SIDE RECYCLING.

Essential terms are missing and therefore comprehensive comments cannot be provided. We request another opportunity to comment once the terms have been finalized.

SECTION XII: ANNUAL VOLUME.

It is arbitrary for residential waste drop off to not be included in the volume limitations at the Landfill.

SECTION XIII: WASTE DISPOSAL/ COLLECTION SERVICES.

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SECTION XIV: BENEFIT AGREEMENT PAYMENTS.

Essential terms are missing and therefore comprehensive comments cannot be provided. We request another opportunity to comment once the terms have been finalized. In Subsection A, the waiver of the requirement for WMNY to pay the *Guaranteed* Minimum Payment if the Perinton side of the Facility receives less than 500 tons per day is illogical. The Guaranteed Minimum Payment should be just that, *guaranteed*, it represents the minimum payment the Town should expect to endure the presence of the Landfill in the community. Further, it is clear from this Section that WMNY intends to cease some payments to the Town once landfilling on the Perinton side has ceased. This is nonsensical. The impacts from this Landfill will continue long past the time when landfill ceases on either the Perinton or Macedon side. The definition of Facility in the HCA includes “[a]ll aggregate elements of the High Acres Solid Waste Landfill and ancillary facilities in the Town of Perinton and in the Town of Macedon.” Payments should be made to the Town as long as the Facility is in operation, and not arbitrarily cease when landfilling is no longer occurring on one side of an imaginary line.

SECTION XV: OFF-SITE IMPACTS.

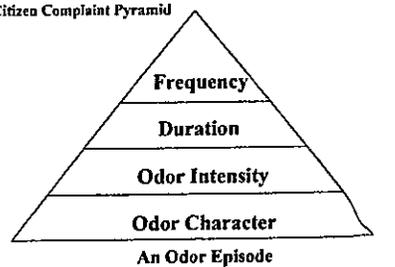
The acknowledgement drastically understates the impacts the Landfill has caused to the community. These impacts have been well-documented. Please reword this section to properly acknowledge that.

We reiterate the same concern as above, that the valuable data from the FAFE App is being ignored. The footnote to the table is unacceptable. First, is it a NYSDEC or WMNY Hotline? The HCA references that WMNY maintain the hotline, not NYSDEC. Second, it is clear that this footnote was specifically written to exclude the valid complaints collected by the FAFE App. For the reasons stated above, the Town should modify this.

More importantly, the proposed chart and steps outlined to make a “categorical determination of an odor” is wrought with issues. An example of common conceptual model for citizen complaints of nuisance odors can be illustrated in a pyramid:

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Figure 1. Citizen Complaint Pyramid



There are four building blocks that “create the nuisance experience” including odor character, odor intensity, duration of odor event, and the frequency of odor events. The proposed N-Butanol chart in the HCA (“Chart”) addresses three of the four but neglects to address the **character of the odor—i.e. is the odor pleasant or foul**. Intensity is not a measure in and of itself of a nuisance condition, which is clearly the focus of the Chart. Pleasing odors can be nuisances at a high intensity, and of course foul odors such as landfill gas, rotting waste, and compost are nuisances even at low intensity.

Further, the ASTM E544-18 is not a reliable means of making a determination of an odor by itself. The procedures outlined in the ASTM specifically warn of the olfactory adaptation an assessor may experience that can render the sense of smell less sensitive, making it difficult to detect odor at the lower intensities. Therefore, the Town should require using a tool like the Nasal Ranger© to make up for the shortcomings of the ASTM standard. FAFE’s solid waste management facility consultant can provide additional technical input to the Town to develop an appropriate objective, reliable odor assessment methodology for the Landfill.

Neither the Chart nor text identify among other important criteria, the specific olfactometer that will provide for the eight-point intensity scale. In fact, the chart only includes five “Odor Categories” when the ASTM provides for eight: 1. Not perceptible; 2. Very weak; 3. Weak; 4. Distinct; 5. Strong; 6. Very Strong; 7. Extremely strong; 8. Intolerable. It is unclear why the Chart deviates from the ASTM this way.

Next, if the frequency/ duration functions detailed on the Chart are to be the triggers for WMNY to take action, then a very high number of Town residences will be subjected to nuisance odors for an unacceptable amount of time and duration. These frequency and duration functions should be cut in half, at least. For example, the way the Chart reads, twenty confirmed complaints (not including any complaints made on the FAFE App) of moderate offensive odors must occur for up to two days and two nights before WMNY must act. This is unacceptable. Why would the Town subject its residents to this?

Additionally, the list of steps WMNY will take to address off-site odors is also unacceptable. The community does not want the odors “neutralized” or “misted” away. They want the operational issues at the Landfill to be remedied. Flavor and fragrance agents have already been detected and sampled in the air off-site from the Landfill. The community does not want these chemicals in their air, they want fresh air. Further, it is unclear what is meant by “lower cells,” “minimization of the working face,” and “well/vacuum improvements.” These phrases should be clarified and expanded.

¹ <http://www.fivesenses.com/Documents/Library/28%20%20Odor%20Intensity%20Scales.pdf>

Finally, the proposed follow up procedure for when odors are verified is wholly lacking. WMNY needs to be held accountable. Following the first 10-day mitigation period, WMNY should be held in default of the HCA and in violation of its Special Use Permit. Alternatively, WMNY should pay a fine that can be held in escrow until the odor issues are fully remedied. In other words, these provisions need teeth. Otherwise there will just be an endless cycle of 10-day periods.

SECTION XVI: END USE AND POST CLOSURE OBLIGATIONS.

Essential terms are missing and therefore comprehensive comments cannot be provided. We request another opportunity to comment once the terms have been finalized. Regardless, the timeframes in this Section should be no less than the timeframes required pursuant to the NYSDEC laws and regulations. *See e.g.*, 6 NYCRR 363-9.6, 6 NYCRR 360.22. Thirty years is a fairly common timeframe for post closure obligations. This Landfill's size (second largest in the State) and proximity to residences are likely grounds to have a longer period of time.

SECTION XVII: COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS.

This section should also state that compliance with regulations are necessary.

SECTION XVIII: HOURS OF OPERATION.

This section should include a requirement that the Town will notify the community of operational hour changes via its website or an email listserv of interested residents.



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Public Comment Form

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Address:	[REDACTED]
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Comments:

When my family and I moved in to our current home in 2/2017, we did not notice odor issues. They first started in Aug / Sep of 2017 and have persisted ever since. While I am sure the community benefits are helpful, I would give them all up without second thought if the odor issue went away.

I attended the presentation by C. Hanna and found that it was focused much more on how great a partner Waste Management is instead of what the town can do to address the major issue - odors. Better communication does not equal better odor control. This issue has been ongoing since at least the beginning of 2018 and nearly 4 years later, the issue persists. Whether or not Waste Management uses the same excuses via better communication (opening up a cell, flare burnout, etc.) or creates a new one, the smell persists. I don't want better communication if there is not an explanation about how it is being fixed. I don't care for the reason it happens - I want to know what is being done so that the odors discontinue.

I am not interested in tax benefits or property protection and would be willing to absorb a tax increase if it meant that the odors stopped. We love our home and neighborhood, but will not be here long-term, paying taxes and utilizing the public schools, if we are subjected to the continued abuse of Waste Management and the town's inability to address the root causes.

PLEASE ADDRESS THE ODORS. CAP AND CLOSE THE PERINTON SIDE OF THE LANDFILL AND REDUCE NYC INFLOW.



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Comments:

<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Perinton side of the dump should be capped and closed. WM can't contain fugitive gases. 2. Reduce NYC railcars to less than 20% of permitted annual volume at the dump. 3. The delivery time on railcars to western New York from NYC is causing odors because of the extended time in transit. This is why we must reduce to no more than 20% capacity. 4. We should continue our current notification method of reporting odor issues. Towpath should NOT be used. PERIOD! Total conflict of interest.
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Comments:

Perinton Town Government Officials:

The new Host Community Agreement(HCA) between the Town of Perinton and Waste Management, Inc.(WMI) in its title would give the impression that a "welcomed" guest would like to join the Perinton Community and agree to the terms of this document. Unfortunately, the current state of affairs between Perinton taxpayers and WMI Perinton municipal solid waste disposal site is not acceptable due to air and noise pollution emitted to the atmosphere from their current process operations.

As one of the many Perinton taxpayers who have registered a complaint regarding the unacceptable air pollution generated by WMI Perinton, I look to the Perinton Town Government Officials to work toward a coordinated effort to engage all levels of government (county, state and federal) both legislative and enforcement (NYSDEC, US EPA) to eliminate the air and noise pollution.

The draft HCA provides a framework for developing a collaborative dialog with WMI Perinton, however, without quantified measures in place, this document will not drive accountability toward pollution mitigation.

During a drive down Perinton Parkway next to the landfill, I observed two large exhaust stacks discharging to the atmosphere - one was a burning flare with products of combustion (burn smell) the other stack exhausting untreated air (natural gas smell). On the WMI fence I observed numerous spray nozzles emitting a chemical deodorizer which attempts to cover-up the odor and

not properly treat the root issue of the contaminated exhaust stream. This appears to be a willful negligent effort to avoid installing the best practice pollution control technology to treat contaminated air prior to exhausting it to the atmosphere.

As a point of reference, I worked for a Western New York company on a project which employed the best available pollution control technology at the time. This project treated all process exhaust air through a thermal oxidizer and then through an activated carbon filter bed as a secondary treatment prior to exhausting to the atmosphere. There maybe better options available today and I know deodorizing is not among them.

Recommendations:

1. HCA Term limit - Renew HCA annually -adds to accountability by comparing metrics yearly.
2. Citizen Advisory Group - Empower this newly created Group to update HCA annually.
3. Town Board Meeting priority - Have a standing agenda item be Citizen Group report.
4. Seek coordinated government effort - Town government is closest to the issue and should continuously work with all levels (county, state and federal) both legislative and compliance enforcement (NYSDEC and US EPA) to eliminate both air and noise pollution from Perinton.

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Comments:

With my family, I have lived in Perinton since 1994 in my current home; all my kids went to Fairport Public schools. We also live here a few years in mid 1980s so you see we returned here after a company transfer away.

Until a few years ago we smelled noxious dump (aka High Acres) odors maybe 2 or 3 times A YEAR. Since the expansion in size enabled by adding rail lines for NYC trash it has become multiple times A WEEK, yes each WEEK!

I am not sure the purpose of the new Host Community Agreement (HCA) because it seems to have absolutely no teeth or anything forcing behavior or business changes at High Acres by Waste Mgmt. (WM). What does enhanced monitored reporting and info sharing do? Nothing! when the underlying cause of the repeated noxious odors (massive expansion) is not addressed or required to change. Fact is the town allowed WM to expand a few years ago with absolutely no concern for externalities inflicted on local residents. It's also tiring to see local politicians (town, county, and village) in both parties blame each other or their predecessors and then blame NYS DEC and NYC. Someone needs to own this once and for all!

When the dump was expanded in about 2016 and the prior agreement made in 2018, how come no public hearing or input solicited? Doesn't Open Meetings law require it? Why was the process hidden until signed with WM?? Frankly that stinks as much as the dump does.

Whereas I am glad to see now in 2021 request for resident input, I am skeptical that it matters even a whit since the draft is already well done, no doubt with WM input and agreement. Perhaps because of news media coverage this is done to placate local residents and really is a charade for upcoming elections.

Comments of the 8 points of the draft HCA:

1. What is different NOW, 3 years after the 2018 secret agreement? I see nothing requiring actual odor reduction just reporting and monitoring.
2. What's the point of just enhanced reporting a human-made problem? It resolves nothing, requires no changes by WM and resident's concerns are routinely ignored and dismissed already.
3. Continued and improved info sharing is worthless since it resolves nothing, requires no changes by WM and resident's concerns are routinely ignored and dismissed already.
4. New odor notification program is also worthless. The odors are unlike weather related hazards or random accidents. The odors are a 100% human-made problem.
5. Just more gibberish on updating or upgrading notification not odor reduction or elimination.
6. Providing written justification for odors is pointless (see # 2 and 3)
7. Restricting rail loads to pre 2017 sounds good but does nothing about the trash and biohazards (feces) trucked in nor does it address the addition of the rail line before 2017 with increased capacity of the dump.
8. Referencing the secret 2018 study on bio hazards (euphemism for dried feces) makes one wonder what anyone has done in the past 3 years about it. Evidently nothing.

So my reading of the draft HCA and the presentation (on the town website) really didn't address my concerns. It appears that the purpose is to acknowledge the uproar of many local residents and whitewash away the real problem – the increased trash and feces in the dump just with more explanations and communication or reports.

I realize we all generate trash and bio waste and it has to go somewhere. No one wants a dump in their back yard, especially one that smells often. Of course reduction of trash created, enhanced actual recycling and meaningful composting are all necessary too and I have tried personally to do all 3. What makes absolutely no sense is transporting NYC trash and feces HUNDREDS of miles - whether by rail or truck (and no doubt the railroad and trucking companies align with WM on this too) to dumps upstate. What a stupid way to create more greenhouse gases too.

But local politicians liked secret deals with WM for decades so they could say taxes are lower because of it. If so, it's by a few dollars compared to other local towns. I predict the HCA will be approved as is: odors remain and the town will check off the item "get resident input" and move on.

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Comments:

Perinton side of landfill should be capped and closed while still receiving the benefits of the Host Community Agreement. Waste Management has proven for many years that they have no ability to manage the landfill in its current capacity, much less let them continue to expand and operate it.

NYC trash intake via train should be stopped. We are not NYC's garbage can. This plan does not list the percentage reduction via rail.

Residents should not be forced to call a hotline. This is not the 1980s. Reporting should be as convenient as possible, and the app created by the residents provides that level of convenience and real time reporting.

Need more specific information as it relates to the property protection plan - what neighborhoods does this cover?



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Comments:

From: [REDACTED] My wife and I are 40 year residents of Perinton.

- Review of the agreement by residents with all blanks filled in will be necessary.
- Features such as odor monitoring details, property protection, enhancements of royalties and other benefits are a step forward but will not be enough.
- Concerns:
 - The landfill should be required to measure odors daily in areas with high complaint frequency, without having to wait for residents to complain. This will speed the response to problems.
 - Odors are very often present in our neighborhood when the wind is out of the southeast, or if the air is still, typically starting at 8AM and lasting several hours. It suggests that odors are always present somewhere with more common wind directions such as northwest through south.
 - The problem has not improved in the past four years and the odor of rotting food and garbage has not changed. We are forced to close our windows on many nice mornings, including today, May 3rd.
 - The landfill is a long term problem with no good solution. If landfills were manageable and practical, there would be more of them and trash from places over 300 miles away would not have to be brought here. Perinton ended up with this problem due to poor planning and decision making over the past 30 years. While we can't change the past, we should be willing to understand it.
 - I was part of the 2007-8 group of residents whose efforts culminated in a lawsuit about the proposed 2008 expansion. The height increase in Perinton, atleast, was avoided by our efforts while

the Town and State approved the large expansion. We predicted many of the problems which now exist. The Town dismissed most of our concerns.

--Installation and use of a rail siding for mass transportation of trash to our area should have never been approved by the State or either Macedon or Perinton.

--Our concerns about the lack of sufficient engineering expertise and oversight were confirmed by how bad things got by 2017. Repeated claims by Waste Management and their engineering contractors that they are in control of odor and other problems are contradicted by years of real life experience.

--The best long term solution to the High Acres issue is to close the landfill, or operate it only for the benefit of people in the local area. Large waste streams such as trash from NYC and sewage sludge from treatment plants urgently need another solution.

Thank you for your attention and willingness to request comments.

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HOST COMMUNITY AGREEMENT

Public Comment Form

Name:	[REDACTED]
Date:	May 3, 2021
Address:	[REDACTED]
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Comments:

High Acres Landfill

To whom it may concern:

After reviewing the procedure dump criteria..... I do not have the complete knowledge of how or if anything can correct the concerns of the dump. The only benefit would be is to shut it down like it was suppose to be in the past. All I know is that things have to change. This problem has been an on going issue for years and has never gotten any better. It hasbeen some years already and still we have not corrected the problem.

Below.....I have documented my information and wanted to make sure it gets passed along for present review and if need be, future.....Hopefully you will take the time to read this. Tried to do short form but wasn't going to work.

I grew up in Penfield and have known about the dump and was under the impression that it was going to end at a certain date. It didn't happen. In 1984 I had my house built here in Perinton, raised my family and I did investigate the dump situation to make sure that I built in a healthy and safe area. At the time there was no issues and figuring that the dump would stop in this location in time before any issues would arise just by knowing the past. These lasts years have been absolutely disgusting. My children have since grown and have moved out of the area and it has been devastating explaining to them when they come home to visit what the smells are and that it is the dump. I am so glad my children never had to grow up with this or my family and friends visiting. Family get- to-gether, birthday parties, our entire street back then were filled with

children playing all over. I feel for the families now that have to endure this everyday.

My concern now is for other families with young children that live around here and my family that will inherit our home and for the toxic smells and waste in the air. After working for Eastman Kodak Company for 27 years knowledge with chemicals and emissions, etc. I am fully aware of the potential cancer cluster and health concerns of this area..... besides that who wants to smell that when you open your windows or just go outside to sit!

I am working [REDACTED] this time and at the loading dock, kitchen area the smells are so toxic it has many talking. I found that a day that there was a delivery, the smell was so bad the kitchen crew, maint., delivery driver that all took part in the smell of the odor. When I arrived home I contacted the DEC. Was told that know one called and in more of my investigation in the procedure of how the DEC gets notified from the school, was a failure. So I do know that you are not getting all the info. My problem is that every time a call is made..... The investigator never smells anything, is never seen showing up. At one time the DEC stated to me that his info said the investigator went to my address and talked with the owner. That would be me! I said he never came here and talked to me. I am the owner! The DEC person just sighed. First off, I find it hard to believe that anyone could not smell all the odors as maybe we don't have the right people doing the job and at the right time. It is already known that the person did not tell the truth. When I talked to the DEC at one time about the gas smell, I had told him that there are a few different smells around here. I stated that there must be a lot of people doing laundry as there is a really an intense smell of laundry and it is so bad that I have to go inside. That is when he told me that the dump is using febreze for the smell. SO..... we are just covering the smell up with febreze! That is just as bad as the garbage, gas smell. I also contacted Mr. C. Hanna and he said he can just call and have it reduced. ????? The DEC not being able to do anything about that smell, but Mr. C. Hanna can just call High Acres and have it adjusted...? I am confused.

On the weekend of April 18th I had a return call from the DEC to another call in and was left a message that the investigator showed up and it was the smell of the flowers! Unbelievable. After that comment it makes one not want to say anything anymore. I feel that it is an insult and do not like to be downgraded and that statement was a lack of intelligence.

What we are doing now with the dump knowing that everyday activities that are activated at the dump are done by people, there will be, more mistakes. This was in memory of the Perinton town meeting years ago. Just knowing what others have gone through with situations as close as this, those outcomes didn't stop and the cancer and health concerns showed up years later..... Long Island dump is one and of course someone smart decided to send NYC trash here, even leaving it sit on the train for days when it stopped coming by truck. The canal is only footage away. It is hard for me to believe I live here in Perinton and am going through all this. I worked so hard to get to where I am and pay good taxes. Hopefully we (you) can be smart enough not to make more mistakes and repeat the past and go forward in making smart correct decisions, timely, so the fresh air can be enjoyed and before people get sick or die.

It is not always about the money or who you know. Or maybe know one knows really what to do to correct things. We should be smarter today then in the past, as we learn from mistakes..... if we remember them!

Thank you from a concerned New Yorker,

[REDACTED]

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New HOST COMMUNITY AGREEMENT

Public Comment Form

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Date:	5-2-2021
Address:	[REDACTED]
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Comments:

Dear Town of Perinton,

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the new [draft] Host Community Agreement (HCA) between the town and Waste Management (WM).

We do not think this plan takes seriously the urgent need to cap and close the Perinton side of the landfill. The primary reason for keeping the landfill open--despite many violations--is that it generates revenue for the town. We understand the work of balancing budgets, but we fully expect and support the closure knowing that some minor town spending cuts and additional taxes will need to be made. A capped and closed landfill must still be maintained according to federal and state permits, and will generate some revenue for WM through the capture and sale of landfill gas. Closing the landfill would prioritized community health over revenue generation.

IV., B, 3, b: "MSW originating from the five (5) burrows of NYC and delivered to the Facility by rail shall not exceed ___% of the total permitted annual volume as referenced in section XII of this HCA, and shall be measured on a monthly basis. This restriction does not reduce the annual volume permitted for this Facility." It's difficult to provide any specific comments on this limitation because it's too vague. According to the DEC, the site is permitted to take 1,400,000 tons of waste annually. A fifty percent limit of total permitted volume--as previously noted by Supervisor Hanna, would equate to a 700,000-ton limit on waste from NYC. However, because NYC waste intake by rail in 2020 was 646,000 tons, this draft agreement does not reduce the NYC intake when compared to 2020 actual intake amounts. The agreement should reduce current (2020) intake amounts by 50 percent or no

more than 325,000 tons annually. The agreement should not be based on the total permitted annual volume. It should be based on the actual numbers of tons of waste currently being taken in at the site--which WM has not been able to manage at that level. This agreement does not decrease intake to a level that is either manageable or meaningful.

IV., B, 3, c: "WMNY shall not accept, by any mode of transportation, MSW for disposal at the Facility that is considered aged waste that has a generation of great than ___ days from its point of origin." Again, this limitation in the agreement is too vague. The limitation on aged waste should be as short as possible. The 2019 train derailment illustrates the tremendously negative impact aged waste can have on this community. Anything over seven days is unacceptable.

VII., A & B: We appreciate the sentiment here, but it's the 21st century and we can order a pizza or visit a doctor online, but the community must call a "hotline" to report odors. If the inconvenience of the odors weren't enough already, we're also being asked to call a hotline when an accurate and convenient mobile application that provides more useful information already exists. If the town, WM, or the state do not like the application, then they should develop one that meets their and the community's needs.

VII., C: There is a clear and obvious conflict of interest in hiring Towpath to do these investigations. Chief Colella's salary and department budget in Macedon is tied to revenue coming from WM and he's partnered with WM to exploit the methane to energy plan for additional revenue. In addition, Towpath investigators have also been dishonest in dealing with these odor complaints confirming with residents that they smell the odor and then in reports to WM and public officials they deny any odors existed. Towpath has shown that it operates on behalf of WM and is not an independent third party investigator. They must be replaced by a company approved by the Citizen Advisory Committee.

VIII. More details, including a map, are needed to fully evaluate this program. This is not sufficient protection. The program does not take into account a situation where the general housing market is "normal" or "slow", and the landfill odors spike like they did in late 2017 and 2018. With those market and landfill conditions, the 15% coverage below fair market value is not sufficient. The coverage should be 50% or WM should be forced to buy the property at the fair market value if the house cannot sell for 15% below fair market value and has been on the market for 6 months.

XV. The "Actionable Levels" defined in the draft agreement are not sufficient given the overall distrust of WM and Towpath in the community, as well as the failure of this hotline to work at all. Based on the chart in the draft agreement and Towpath's historical data, there may never be odors that reach an "actionable level" of response. How was the chart made? What data was used to produce it? Over the last three years, how many "actionable level" events would have occurred according to this chart? Any sort of workable chart needs to be based on historical data, science, and should be straightforward enough to not create any additional confusion. This should be simplified. It appears to us that this is an attempt to either needlessly complicate or create a conflict of interest at nearly every level of the process from reporting, to investigation, to remediation. This is unacceptable.

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New HOST COMMUNITY AGREEMENT

Public Comment Form

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Comments:

Have lived in Perinton for nearly 30 years and have followed throughout the past few years the evolution of High Acres.

When I first moved here, I really never knew it was here and never smelled anything. However, more recently in the past 5 years I have smelled it both where I work as well as sometimes where I live depending on the direction of the wind. I can't even imagine how it is for residents that live nearby.

The only solution seems to be to cap the landfill and stop the volume of trash coming up from NYC.

I realize that neither will happen because that would mean taking bold action. So I will be planning on where I will retire. I can assure you - it won't be in Perinton.

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I missed the deadline due to not be able to be on the computer and wasn't aware!

Paula J Marasco <pbj311@yahoo.com>

Mon 5/3/2021 9:40 PM

To: HC Agreement <HCA@perinton.org>;

Public Comment Form for Perinton's New Draft Host Community Agreement with Waste Management

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If you have any questions, please reach out to us at hca@perinton.org.

* Required

Email: [REDACTED]

Name: [REDACTED]

Address: [REDACTED]

Date: *

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Comments: *

"Constant" since 2017 NYC Trash agreement w/WM & Town - Gas & Garbage odors all year round no matter the season or time of day! Odors can be detected inside our home (with windows open or closed) as well as odors outside the entire perimeter of our home and my son's next store to us. DEC Hotline has NOT been the best way of serving our community-dispatchers never get to the area (our home fill 30 minutes after complaint has been made thru app. by then odor has been covered up with a form of scent whether it be fragrance or camp fire wood burning. Very obvious cover up! Third Party dispatcher known as " Towpath" is a joke been caught numerous times after call has been made and DEC dispatcher has been to house (they hide near our mail boxes on Aldrich logging in their reports) This entire system is a joke: Mark Aaman calls you the next day after the call to DEC is made like 3pm and it's the same "Blame Game" story. This occurred several times when the last time we spoke he stated there will be no more dispatchers to my house. These odors (especially Gas) are a HEALTH ISSUE- we have had some health issues since 2017 not to mention several others around our area and other areas have the same health issues. These gases you can literally taste when we are outside or inside-constant headaches-eyes burning-nausea-light headed-with several other symptoms "Methane & Hydrogen"! It's pretty alarming when we have the gas odors in our bedroom (where we no longer are able to sleep)! There literally is NO QUALITY of life in such a wonderful community that once was! Trains unloading at all hours of the day and night (endless hours of be awaken) by the crashing rumbling of our house foundation movement! Literally feeling like we are having an earth quake (noise nuisance)! I can tell you exact time the trains are coming and going from HA as they have codes while tooting their horns! Tremors have occurred on many occasions and have been reported but nothing has been done about any of the above (anything to avoid the truth and mistakes that are occurring to jeopardize the lives of our community and environmental wildlife just to fill the pockets of many! I am beyond frustrated and tired of the same excuses-game blame & resolutions that should have been resolved 4 years ago but there is always some way the town and WM seem to try to make it sound like we reap the benefits of what is provided to this community! Well that is NOT

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the case we want the NYC trash to stay where it is and shut down the dump mountain that has been created! Why should the people of this community have to suffer anymore? Does it take a catastrophe to happen! Coincidentally when the tremors occurred here on Aldrich two water main breaks broke! The above issues are nonstop and we the people have a voice but not a choice because it's a joke to many that fill their pockets! Come live at our house for a week and inhale this putrid gases garbage and have endless sleep-property damage from tremors and HEALTH issues that are constant! I have many many more complaints but it would take a book! When I first moved here I always complained of gas odor (in house) but it really got out of control since 2017 when I became very sick with Hydrogen in my system by and continue to have health issues! This community is POLLUTED!

More EXCUSES and no RESOLUTION! We need a board that cares not to brush us off or fill their pockets!

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Mr. Ciaran Hanna
Town Supervisor
Town of Perinton
1350 Turk Hill Road
Fairport, NY 14450

Re: Host Community Agreement for High Acres Landfill

Dear Supervisor Hanna,

This letter concerns 18 wheeler trash-hauling trucks after they have left High Acres Landfill. This issue should be addressed in the new Host Community Agreement being developed by the Town of Perinton with Waste Management.

There is a noise problem with respect to the operation of the landfill that greatly affects the quality of life for town residents, especially those who live on the residential streets along NY Rt. 31. After unloading trash at High Acres, empty 18 wheeler trucks frequently use their engine brakes or Jake Brakes as they descend the hills within the town. The noise from these trucks literally thunders through the hills and valleys in the areas surrounding Southcross Tr., Selborne Chase, Mountain Rise Lane and Kreag Rd. This noise begins each weekday at approximately 7 AM and continues throughout the day. I am sure there are other Town of Perinton neighborhoods that are affected by this problem, as there are other hills on the truck routes from the landfill.

I live on [REDACTED] where the noise is particularly bad. This occurs when trucks descend the Rt. 31 hill west of Wegmans. We cannot enjoy the outdoors in the warm weather due to this problem. Now that my wife and I are retired, we try to spend time outdoors in our yard but cannot enjoyably do so because of this noise.

I spoke to Waste Management's High Acres management and they showed no interest in addressing this issue. I was told that they have no control over their customers, the private haulers who drive the trucks to and from their operation. I don't agree with this. As an example of how a similar problem was corrected with other trucks: Approximately 15 years ago, I called management at the Wegmans Fleet operation when I noticed their 18 wheeler delivery trucks were using their engine brakes on Rt. 31. Wegmans spoke to their drivers and the practice immediately stopped. It has not happened since then with a Wegmans truck.

Some ways that come to mind for how Waste Management might address this issue include:

- Prohibit their hauler customers, through their written agreement with WM, from using engine brakes or Jake Brakes while within the Town of Perinton,
- Install signs at the exits to High Acres Landfill to remind drivers not to use their engine brakes or Jake Brakes while within the town, and
- Include a statement on the written receipt that is given to truck drivers as they leave the landfill.

A way that the Town of Perinton might address this issue is by having the NY DOT post a sign at the crest of the NY Rt. 31 hill near Selborne Chase that reads: Use of Engine Brakes Prohibited.

Obviously there may be other ways for Waste Management to address this problem. The Town should consult with Waste Management for a solution, as WM must have addressed this issue at other landfill that they manager.

By the way, I know engine or Jake Brake noise is also an issue in Bushnell's Basin. I have heard 18 wheelers use engine brakes on Interstate 490 as they descend Horizon Hill in Perinton.

In case you would like more information about this truck noise problem and how it can be addressed you might view this website: <https://brakeexperts.com/why-is-jake-braking-illegal/> During my travels around NY State I have observed signs posted by towns and villages that are similar to those described in this website.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Regards,

[REDACTED]

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May 3, 2021

TO: Ciaran Hanna, Supervisor, Town of Perinton
FROM: [REDACTED]
SUBJECT: Comments on Draft Community Host Agreement

My wife and I have been residents of the Town of Perinton since 1981. Both of our children graduated from Fairport High School. We are still living in the same house in which we raised them and can see Dudley/Northside schools from our driveway.

I have reviewed the draft Host Community Agreement (HCA) provided on the Town of Perinton website. Based upon that review and my personal experience with odors from the landfill for over the past eight years, I have focused my comments on the following topics:

Citizen Advisory Committee – The initial membership and responsibilities of this group should be specified in the HCA;

Property Value Protection Program – The program description should be written more in favor of the homeowner rather than WMNY;

Post Closure Obligations – The description of the criteria for termination of the HCA should be modified to reflect that the landfill will generate odorous gases long after it is capped; and

Miscellaneous Issues – Suggestions on odor measurement, Beneficial Use Materials, the hotline, and compliance audits.

My specific suggestions for wording changes are italicized.

Citizen Advisory Committee (CAC)

Section VI.D should be modified to provide a description of the initial membership and scope of responsibilities of the CAC. The Committee should be hosted and supported by Waste Management and the Town. That support should include hosting monthly meetings for CAC members, providing information as requested, and ensuring that members understand the effectiveness of corrective and preventive measures. The mission of the CAC should be to represent the Perinton community to ensure that the work Waste Management is planning and implementing will prevent future occurrences of odor problems.

The CAC should be hosted and supported by Waste Management and the Town. The following should be added to Section VI.D:

Membership in the CAC should include:

- *Citizens representing various surrounding neighborhoods in the Town of Perinton;*

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- *Environmental professional from a local college;*
- *Monroe County Department of Health representative;*
- *Monroe County Department of Environmental Services representative;*
- *NYS Department of Environmental Conservation representative;*
- *Fairport School District representative;*
- *Local merchant representative(s); and*
- *Third-party technical expert paid for by WMNY.*

The mission of the CAC is to assist WMNY to ensure that:

- *Proper preventive maintenance procedures are in place and utilized to prevent operational failures from causing odor problems;*
- *Proper waste characterization procedures are in place to ensure that wastes do not cause odor issues;*
- *Adequate gas management capacity is installed and operational before the landfill generates too much to handle;*
- *Procedures are in place to review maintenance and construction activities for possible odor problems prior to commencing the activity;*
- *The Title V air permit conditions, reporting, and monitoring requirements are met, in addition to the Part 360 requirements;*
- *Best management practices to reduce odors from municipal waste landfills are benchmarked; and*
- *The odor monitoring program provides sufficient information to identify odor problems and drive implementation of corrective actions.*

Property Value Protection Program (PVPP)

The PVPP description should be written more in favor of the homeowner rather than WMNY. All of the allowances for days to respond seem too short. The suggested changes to specific sections are provided below.

All the text in Section II.A should be deleted and new wording added to read:

Commencing with the Commencement Date and continuing until the date on which waste is no longer accepted at the facility and NYSDEC has released WMNY of its post-closure responsibilities, WMNY agrees to provide property value protection for owners of properties within the circle centered in the landfill that contains 85% of the odor complaints logged in the FAFE (Fresh Air for the Eastside) app with an odor intensity greater than 3.

Homeowners should not need to be on a list but simply reside in a home within that circle.

All the text in Section II.B should be deleted and new wording added to read:

Any property found within the area defined by Section II.A.

Section II.C should be removed. A citizen's participation in other legal actions should not be subject of this HCA.

All of the text in Section II.D should be deleted and new wording added to read:

This program will apply to anyone who owns property within the area defined in Section II.A.

Section II.E should be removed. Since the location of the homes covered by this plan is defined in Section II.A above, this section is not necessary.

The last sentence in Section III.C should be modified to read:

"...WMNY will pay the owner the difference between the Established Fair Market Value and the actual sale price of the property ~~limited to a maximum of 15% of the Established Fair Market Value.~~"

Section IV should be re-written with protection of the homeowner's rights and interests rather than WMNY's. This whole paragraph needs to be changed to read:

WMNY will ensure that affected homeowners know individually of their opportunities for remedies under this plan.

Post Closure Obligations

The description of the criteria for termination of the HCA should be modified as described below. We are suggesting that the PVPP, CAC, odor monitoring, and post-closure requirements remain in effect even upon termination of operations. The closed landfill will generate odorous gases for 15 to 20 years after closure. WMNY should not be exempted from these requirements until NYSDEC takes over operations.

The beginning of the second sentence Section V.A should be modified to say:

"~~This~~ All requirements of this HCA, except for those associated with the PPVP, CAC, odor monitoring program, and Post-Closure requirements shall terminate upon the first to occur:..."

The first sentence of Section XVII.B should be modified to say:

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"...then this HCA shall be null and void upon notice to the Town *except for those associated with the PPVP, CAC, odor monitoring program, and Post-Closure requirements; however, WMNY...*"

Miscellaneous Comments

The second sentence in Section IV.B.4 should be modified to read:

"Town approval for the ~~classification of a waste as a Beneficial Use Material~~ is not acceptance of new Beneficial Use Materials is required."

The concern here is there are many of these materials defined in NYSDEC regulations and some may not be acceptable to town residents.

Sections VII.A and B should be modified to add "*and a smart phone app*" after each reference to a hot-line telephone number.

Section VII.C needs to be modified to include odor concentration measurements in addition to odor intensity (n-butanol scale). Consideration should be given to the use of in-field olfactometers. Training citizens to implement a citizen monitoring program using olfactometers can be part of an interactive and effective community outreach program. All of the text in this section should be deleted and new wording added to read:

WMNY will investigate the complaint in a timely manner, by dispatching a responder who is trained to evaluate odor intensity on the n-butanol scale and odor concentration with an olfactometer along with the duration from the complainant. The responder will arrive at the complainant's address in no less than 30 minutes.

A new requirement should be added to Section XVII to read:

WMNY will arrange for third-party compliance audits to be conducted every three years to verify compliance with all applicable environmental regulatory requirements. A report of the findings should be presented to the CAC and corrective actions should be followed up with them.

Please feel free to contact me at [REDACTED] if you would like my help or have any questions.

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