



NEWS From Bill Magnarelli

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\$100 million for Solvay and Geddes

Assemblyman Bill Magnarelli, whose 129th Assembly District includes the Village of Solvay, the Town of Geddes, the State Fairgrounds, the western side of Onondaga Lake, the Inner Harbor and the northern and western parts of the City of Syracuse that border these areas said, "This couldn't happen at a more perfect time."

Magnarelli continued, "Over the years I have developed a strong working relationship with elected leaders of both parties who represent this community. We have brought many resources to the district to improve schools, clean the lake and help with aging infrastructure. But now, with the Governor pledging \$30 million allowing the County Executive to leverage up to \$70

million more, we have an opportunity to create a comprehensive redevelopment plan that will bring new life back to the Village of Solvay and surrounding areas. And, I will further say that the people of Solvay and Geddes deserve it."

"They have seen their once prosperous village stripped of its major employers and have had to clean up environmental disasters caused by unsound industrial practices. However, through it all, the people of Solvay have refused to leave! Their rich history, proud work ethic and their "tight-knit" community kept the dream alive for a once-again thriving village."



"I have met with Governor Andrew Cuomo, County Executive Joanie Mahoney, Mayor Ron Benedetti and Town of Geddes Supervisor Manny Falcone and we are all on the same page to start work, create jobs and get Solvay moving again. So let's see what is planned:"



County Executive Joanie Mahoney discusses the proposed projects with governor Cuomo and Assemblyman Magnarelli during the bus tour of the sites.

"Finishing Looping the Lake" – Onondaga Creekwalk:

\$3 million for the completion of the Onondaga Creekwalk, an existing loop along the lake connecting the communities of Liverpool, Solvay, Lakeland and the City of Syracuse. The project is currently 75% completed.

"Docks in the new park, Inner Harbor and Honeywell site":

\$1 million for the creation of water taxi docks at Onondaga Lake Park, Syracuse Inner Harbor and the Honeywell boat landing to allow boats and water taxis to travel to and from the Performing Arts Center.

"Lakehouse Concert Pavilion" – Performing Arts Center:

\$50 million for the construction of a "Lakehouse Concert Pavilion" Performing Arts Center across from the New York State Fairgrounds in the Village of Solvay. Onondaga County would construct an indoor amphitheater with 17,000 seats and a lawn seating area. The pavilion would overlook Onondaga Lake.



An architect's rendering of an aerial view of the proposed amphitheater.



An aerial view of Onondaga Lake and the proposed sites of the revitalization projects.

“Bridge Street Gateway Project” – streetscape improvements:

\$7 million for Bridge Street streetscape improvements to create a pedestrian friendly gateway from the Lake to the Village.

“Revitalization of Village of Solvay”:

\$10 million for housing projects within Solvay including: \$5 million for the construction of a new senior housing facility, and \$5 million for leveraging against public/private funding of new housing projects and rehabilitation of existing housing projects.

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Governor Andrew Cuomo speaks about the revitalization of upstate New York and his commitment to bringing in resources.



Onondaga County Executive Joanie Mahoney speaks about the impact of the proposed plan.



Geddes Town Supervisor Manny Falcone, Assemblyman Magnarelli and Solvay Mayor Ron Benedetti all addressed the standing room only crowd regarding the proposed plans.



Assemblyman Magnarelli, County Executive Joanie Mahoney and Governor Andrew Cuomo enter the Solvay/Geddes Community Center prior to the project announcement which was attended by over 250 people.

\$2 million in matching grants of up to \$25,000 for business façade improvements on Milton Ave, Bridge Street, or Charles Ave.

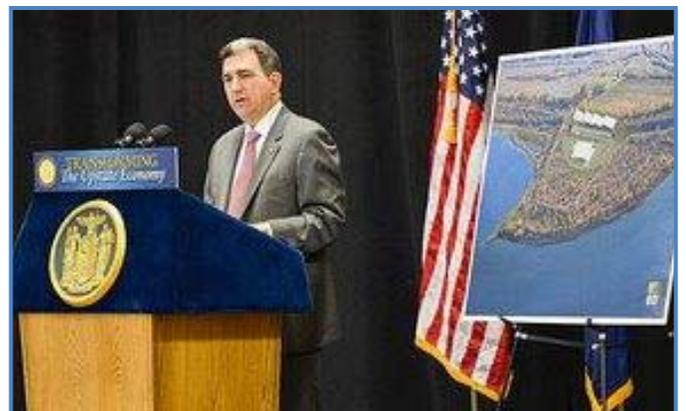
\$1 million for a competitive grant program for new businesses that open in the targeted economic development zone.

“Infrastructure Improvements” – for future business sites:

\$20 million for infrastructure improvements including improvements to wastewater treatment facilities and brownfield clean-up to open manufacturing sites for future business development.

Assemblyman Bill Magnarelli said, “All of us living in the City of Syracuse, the County of Onondaga and the Central New York Region will benefit from the targeted economic development strategy. This investment enables us to “connect the dots” of already started destination projects such as: Destiny; the new Inner Harbor development; the \$1.1 billion clean-up of Onondaga Lake which has reclaimed this beautiful asset; Onondaga County’s park on the eastern shore; the New York State Fair; and the newly proposed Village of Solvay revitalization.”

Assemblyman Magnarelli concluded, “We have an exciting agenda, with an ambitious timeline and dedicated public officials with a positive attitude all pulling in the same direction. It doesn’t get better than that.”



Around Town



Assemblyman Magnarelli hosted his Annual Labor Breakfast to meet and discuss important issues with leaders of local unions and trades. About 30 representatives attended and discussed issues important to the labor community during this legislative session and in the year ahead.

Assemblyman Magnarelli visited Baldwinsville's Baker High School and Durgee Junior High School. He met with Superintendent Jeanne Dangle to hear ~~her~~ her concerns regarding budget issues and legislation. He was able to meet with Durgee Junior High School students working in the tech room and Baker High students in the BioMedical Program.



Assemblyman
Bill Magnarelli
invites you to attend

Community Information Nights

6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Wednesday, February 26

Geddes Town Hall Courtroom

Thursday, February 27

Lincoln Middle School Cafeteria

Thursday, March 6

Cecile Center Upstairs Meeting Room

Thursday, March 13

Van Buren Town Hall Main Room

About New York State Assemblyman William B. Magnarelli

Assemblyman William Magnarelli represents the 129th Assembly District, which includes the Northside, Westside, Eastwood and Valley areas of the City of Syracuse, as well as the towns of Geddes and Van Buren. He first won election in 1998 for an open Assembly seat and was reelected in 2000, 2002, 2004, 2006, 2008, 2010 and 2012. During his previous six terms in office, Assemblyman Magnarelli has focused his efforts on bringing more jobs to Central New York, lowering taxes, providing our children a better education at every level, improving our healthcare and keeping our families safe. For more information, contact Assemblyman Magnarelli's District Office at (315) 428-9651 or visit <http://www.assembly.state.ny.us/magnarelli>.