
August , 2014

Hon. Andrew M. Cuomo
Governor, State of New York
New York State Capitol Building
Albany, NY 12224

Re: Proposed Transfer of Freeport Armory

Dear Governor Cuomo:

As a resident of Merrick, I write to oppose the recent legislation regarding the proposed transfer of the Freeport Armory.

I oppose the passage of this bill, which permits the Office of General Services to transfer the Freeport Armory to Cedarmore Corporation. I urge a veto of this legislation as was done last year with a nearly identical bill.

As the Village of Freeport stated in the past, its primary opposition to the bill is its impact on the mitigation of the Village's Department of Public Works ("DPW"). The DPW facility is currently located adjacent to Freeport Creek off Albany Avenue in Freeport and suffered over \$5 million in damages due to Superstorm Sandy. The Armory is a logical choice for Freeport's DPW facility. It is conveniently located next to major arteries, is not in a flood zone, and would require minimal retrofitting for Freeport's DPW.

Transferring the Armory to the Village of Freeport would provide an inland, secure location for the Village's DPW facility.

Please take all requisite action to implement this request. Specifically, please veto the bill authorizing transfer of the Freeport Armory to Cedarmore Corporation, and transfer ownership to the Village of Freeport to relocate their DPW facility to a safe, secure, inland site.

Thank you for your anticipated courtesy and cooperation. Please keep me advised of the status of this matter.

Very truly yours,