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Commitment to environment

The town has been very aggressive in building new sidewalks around the town. This year we are building a new sidewalk on Ardsley Road (almost completed), a new sidewalk on Central Ave (under construction) and a new sidewalk on Ft Hill Road. We have also recently completed a new sidewalk on Old Tarrytown Road. Next year: Hillside Ave from Greenburgh Town Hall to South Road. And, N Washington Ave. We started a major initiative to build sidewalks around town about six years ago. I successfully lobbied for a bike lane on the new Mario Cuomo bridge. I proposed bicycle Sundays over 40 years ago.

During the pandemic we promoted our parks - encouraging residents to walk, jog, hike, meditate or exercise in our parks. We were the first community in Westchester to create a cricket field for the Asian & Caribbean communities.

The town joined 27 communities in participating in Sustainable Westchester's Green energy ESCO. We are working with Sustainable Westchester promoting solar energy and have encouraged many residents to solarize their homes.

We were the 2nd community in Westchester to place organic food scrap recycling at a Town Facility (AF Veteran park). And am working with our Planning Board to promote green construction in new buildings.

Energy

I support having a more livable sustainable community. The Town Board, working with the Planning Board and community members, is proceeding with allow battery energy storage systems (BESS), a technology developed for storing electric charge by using specially developed batteries. Stored energy can be used at a later time.

Renewable energy is important --oppose replacing power with fossil fuels. We were the first town in Westchester to place solar panels on our roof of Town Hall and also installed LED lights in streetlights

Transportation: Support purchasing more electric vehicles in municipal fleets. And want the town to mandate EV charging stations in new developments.

Pushing for a bike lane from South /North County trail to the Mario Cuomo bridge.

Resiliency: I highlight stormwater initiatives and a variety of technologies such as green roofs, rain gardens and rain barrels on the town website periodically. I would like to continue to strengthen zoning codes to protect homes in vulnerable areas and are trying to address flooding concerns. Town DPW crews frequently clear obstructions from Saw Mill River.

SOLID WASTE

The town will be opening up a recycling center -encouraging more recycling. Take it and leave it for furniture and other items.

We hope to continue to expand our food scrap recycling initiatives - would like to start curbside collection. We have started collecting batteries at our municipal buildings.

Clean Air and Water

We are promoting water conservation efforts. Have invested in infrastructure --connecting Rumbrook to Knollwood pump stations, repainting water tanks. Spending millions on infrastructure. Greenburgh Nature

Center is establishing pollinator garden. Working with environmental activists pushing for more pollinator friendly gardens. Want to expand this town wide.
Yeas ago we adopted a pest management plan for publicly owned properties.

Sustainable Development

I support mixed use developments. During my tenure open space increased from 200 to more than 600 acres. I continue to push for more bike lanes, sidewalks, working to increase safety by improving crosswalks. I want to push for green roofs.

parks and open space

we continue to push for more parkland. Continue to invests in parks, greenspaces and support programming.

Farms and Local food

starting a farmer's market at Town Hall summer 2021.

Pushed for state legislation (signed into law) requiring supermarkets to donate surplus food to the poor.

Cornell Cooperative Extension has a greenhouse at Hartsbrook Nature preserve.

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