

September 20, 2023

The St. Paul's Public Opinion Poll will be held on Saturday, October 21, 2023, from 7:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. to allow plenty of time for residents to participate. The Board of Trustees is asking for your help. Your opinion on whether you support further efforts to preserve part or all of the building, or whether you would like us to demolish the building, is important to help guide us to the best decision for the Village.

With the arrival of beautiful fall weather, it will surely be an exciting day in our Village. With a Homecoming Parade, a football game at the High School, sports on the fields at St. Paul's, and many gathering with friends and family, residents will have an opportunity to help bring our community closer to a decision on the St. Paul's Main Building by participating in this important poll.

Do you have questions about the environmental impact of any St. Paul's project? Are you confused when residents speak about "permitted uses" for the property and wonder why we have these limitations? Do you wonder about what votes or polls have been held in the past, and what the results were? Answers to these questions and more are on the St. Paul's page of the Village website under Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs). I hope residents appreciate the work that the Village and our consultants have put into making sure the information you need to be fully informed for the Public Opinion Poll is available all in one location. The videos of our upcoming presentations on Financing Options, Cost Estimates and Legal Issues will also be made available for all residents to view on the St. Paul's page.

Please continue to submit your questions to stpaulsquestions@gardencityny.net. An informed Public Opinion Poll is so important to drive us to the right decision for our Village.

ST. PAUL'S INFORMATION SESSION #1 - FINANCING OPTIONS

Resident are encouraged to attend an information session on financing options for St. Paul's on Tuesday, September 26, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. at the Senior Center and via Zoom. Village Treasurer Irene Woo will discuss the current state of Village bonding, Garden City's credit rating and the when the Village typically issues bonds. Robert Smith, Esq. of Hawkins Delafield & Wood, Village Bond Counsel, will discuss New York State Finance Law, the municipal bond issuance process and funding alternatives. Richard Tortora, Esq. and Diana Castaneda, Capital Market Advisors, will review how taxpayer impact is determined.

555 STEWART AVENUE - FLORENT

Florent, the two, four-story apartment building complex being built at 555 Stewart Avenue, is expected to be complete in March 2024. Building 100 is 50 percent complete while Building 200 is 60 percent complete, according to Building Superintendent Giuseppe Giovanniello. Florent will host 15 affordable housing units at 40, 60 and 80 percent AMI. The initial prospective tenant selection will occur via lottery 60 days before anticipated certificate of occupancy. For more information about Florent, visit <https://liveflorent.com>.

BOOK DONATIONS

Now book donations to the Friends of the Garden City Public Library are even easier with a brand new book donation bin conveniently located in the Library's front lobby. The new bin was donated by the Friends to coincide with the Children's Room and Circulation area renovation. The book donation bin can accept ongoing donations during Library hours. The Friends of the Garden City Public Library welcome your donations of quality books that are gently used. Donated books stock the book sale area on the first floor of the Library as well as book sale events during the year. Please do not bring magazines, text books, or CDs.

HAPPENING THIS WEEK IN GARDEN CITY

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 23 11:00 a.m. [Family Sensory Storytime](#) at the Library. Must register.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24 2:00 p.m. [The John Lennon Story with John Kordes](#) at the Library.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 25 1:30 p.m. [Monday Movie Matinée: *The Covenant*](#) at the Library

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26 6:30 p.m. [Architectural Design Review Board Meeting](#) at Village Hall

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26 7:00 p.m. [St. Paul's Information Session on Financing Options](#) at the Senior Center and via Zoom

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27 7:30 p.m. [Village Meet and Greet](#) at the Senior Center

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 28 11:15 a.m. [Yoga with Maggie](#) at the Senior Center