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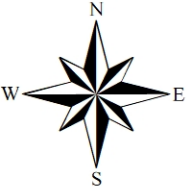
Mayor's Task Force on Homelessness

May 4, 2023, 6 pm

Third Floor Music Hall, City Hall

1. Welcome
2. Mayor Kim: Temporary Shelter Proposal
3. Public Comment
4. Aneisha Samuels: Zoning Maps (attached)
5. Stephen Towne: Resolution (draft resolution attached)
6. Location Process (sample matrix attached)
7. Next Meeting: May 15 at 6pm
8. Adjourn

Homeless Shelter Use City of Saratoga Springs (NC, UC, OMB, GC-U, GC-R)



Saratoga Springs Homeless Shelter Permitted Districts with SUP

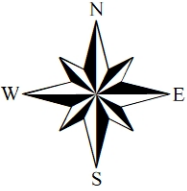
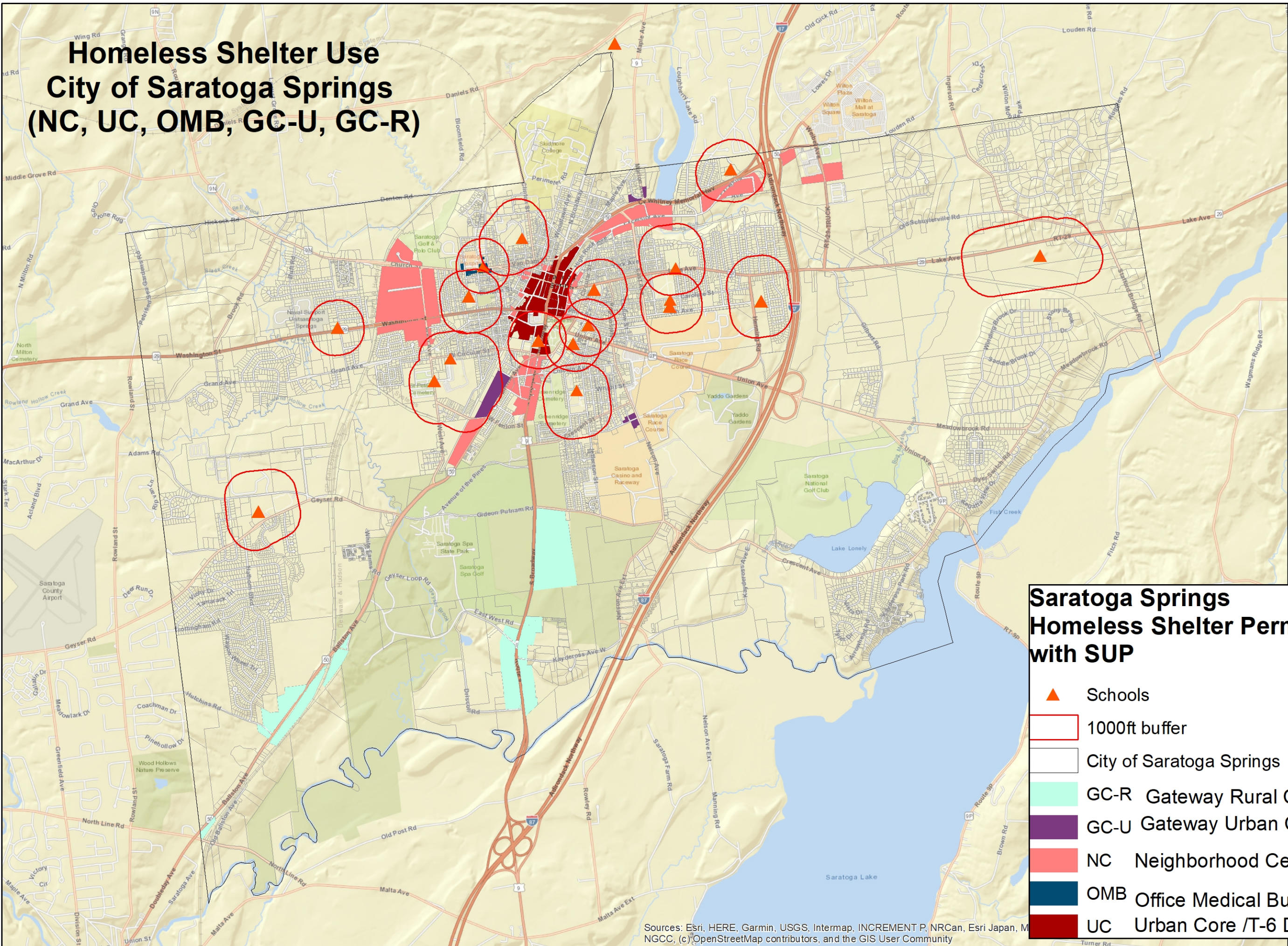
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- ▲ Colleges
- ▲ Schools
- 1000ft buffer
- City of Saratoga Springs
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- State park or forest
- Regional park
- County park
- Local park
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Amended Motion – Location Exclusion

Introduction:

This is an amendment to the Motion that was passed at our Homeless Task Force Meeting on April 20th, 2023.

Subsequent to that meeting, I was informed that:

- All Playgrounds in Saratoga Springs would organically be excluded from future shelter consideration or siting as they are situated within the original Motion location “buffer” provided by Schools.
- City School Bus Stops change with some regularity, thus, creating a location “buffer” around them would be akin to attempting to do so around a moving target.

No change to the original Motion minimizes in any way the established priority of the safety and security of our children which was the clear intent of the original Motion.

Based on the above, I wish to amend the original Motion by striking through that portion of the original Motion that I am proposing be removed:

Original Motion as amended by the strikethrough:

That no permanent shelter in Saratoga Springs be sited at a location near a School, ~~Playground, School Bus Stop or similar locales where children meet or congregate.~~

Children as defined by this Motion:

For purposes of this motion, children are defined as any individual up to the age of 18, the base legal age of an Adult.

Minimum Required Location “Buffer” for a Permanent Shelter:

The minimum required distance, or “buffer,” from a School, ~~Playground, School Bus Stop or similar locales where children meet or congregate~~ in which a permanent shelter could be considered or sited is 1,000 feet. This is the same legal requirement that restrains pedophiles from residing or frequenting these locations.

No other amendments to the original Motion are being proposed.

Proposed Motion – Location Exclusion

Introduction:

As we begin our discussion re a shelter location, I wanted to first put forth a motion to help establish a “ground rule” that can streamline our deliberation and attempt to make our examination of options more efficient.

Businesses, insurance companies, law firms and real estate companies alike, and many other entities, all utilize the term “exclusion” to eliminate certain items or matters from consideration. In our case, too, it is applicable to our location options as well.

Our country is currently reeling from uncontrolled violence and unexplained behavior due to many reasons some of which are considered existent within the homeless population. Moreover, much of this activity is being conducted at schools or on schoolgrounds. With this background, we cannot take a chance by considering, let alone recommending, a location that exposes the safety and security of the most vulnerable within our community – namely our children. We must protect them as the priority.

As a result, I would like to put forth the following Motion.

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Rational behind this Proposal:

In deliberating matters of disagreement, it is not uncommon to utilize “mitigating considerations” to bring the differing parties together. Please note that, in my opinion, there are no mitigating actions that can adequately make up for compromises in the safety and security of our children. To me, it is a black and white issue.

Thus, the basis behind this Motion.

4/20 PASSED 5-0-4

2020 CDBG & CDBG-CV Activity Rating Matrix

Please rate each variable from 0 to 5: 0=very low, 3=average, 5=very high

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