

Zoning Resolution

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Shore Acres Area of Staten Island

The Shore Acres area of Staten Island owes its unique character to Shore Acres Pond, which is fed predominantly by springs percolating from an underground aquifer through Pleistocene strata of sand and gravel.

The Pond is a resting place for migratory and local fowl as well as a watering hole for opossums which are abundant along the wooded cliffs of the Narrows. The Pond has shaped its built environment, including the street layout, landscaping and orientation of neighboring homes. The surrounding area is distinguished by rolling topography with orientation of the northeastern edge toward Lower New York Bay and the Narrows.

The natural drainage area is in need of protection to ensure survival and maintenance of the Pond which in turn is essential to the preservation of this special area.