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**Focusing on Connections** Thank you to our friends in Town government for introducing the Mayor's Challenge to Ossining. Last week Village Manager Debbie McDonnell and I joined a team of stakeholders for a day long-training about a grant program from Bloomberg Philanthropies. Through a series of exercises and discussions, we honed the focus of what challenges exist to connecting our various business districts and neighborhoods. Much of Ossining's development was designed as a car-based

society. How could we become a community that is less reliant on single occupancy vehicles? We'll keep you posted on progress with a grant submission for the Mayors Challenge.

### Connecting This Week

Join me for **Open Office Hours** at my regular Tuesday schedule from 10am-12noon. I'll be at the Board of Trustees office at 16 Croton Avenue ready to hear from community members on any topic, concern or idea of interest to you. No appointment necessary.

Join me for the **Weekly Walk** this Thursday, September 28 at 10:30am. We'll meet at the Wobble Cafe, then head to Indian Village. While Office Hours take place at a consistent time each week, the Weekly Walk is scheduled to (hopefully) select a good weather day.

Have a burning question or idea, but can't make it to Office Hours or the Weekly Walk?... Email me ([mayor@villageofossining.org](mailto:mayor@villageofossining.org)), the Board of Trustees ([bot@villageofossining.org](mailto:bot@villageofossining.org)) or Village Manager Debbie McDonnell ([dmcdonnell@villageofossining.org](mailto:dmcdonnell@villageofossining.org)).

### Proposed Code Revisions on Housing

At this week's Work Session, Corporation Counsel Stuart Kahan will be leading us in a discussion of two proposed code revisions related to housing conditions in the Village. The potential for introducing additional instances of confirming a property has a Certificate of Occupancy, is one approach that has been implemented in other municipalities in addressing the challenge of overcrowded housing. We will also be looking at moving forward two of the recommendations presented by the Landlord Tenant Relations Council subcommittee. [Click here to view the discussion](#) of the report presented on August 23 by the subcommittee, comprised of Trustee Levin, Trustee Bazemore and Corporation Counsel Kahan.

On Behalf of the Board of Trustees,



Victoria Gearity, Ossining Mayor



## Arts & Culture on Main Street

Kudos to [First Village Coffee](#), [Brothers Fish & Chips](#), [Adega Wine & Liquors](#) and [Melita's Home Furnishings](#) for partnering to create a hoppin' Main Street event this past Saturday night with live music, tasty treats, wine and powerful artwork by Ossining resident Lindsay Francis. You can still check out the fascinating works of art. Melita's entry has transformed into an art gallery.

