

Site 4

Sing Sing Correctional Facility



Summary – Sing Sing Correctional Facility is a 51-acre maximum-security prison and guard training site that does not currently afford waterfront access. The Metro-North railroad bisects the site; the majority of the prison facilities are located east of the tracks, while the west side of the tracks contains the remnants of the original 1826 cell block. This site has a redevelopment vision established by the Village’s IR (Institutional Redevelopment) zoning district, which permits mixed use and water-related uses in the event that the prison use closes. With its dramatic views of the river, the site contains a great deal of development potential in the event that the prison use is discontinued at some point in the future. Discussions regarding a potential future prison museum on the westerly portion of the site have taken place in recent years but this project is currently on hold. The Sing Sing Correctional Facility is rich in history and could become a tourist attraction for the Village if the museum becomes a reality. Developing RiverWalk along the perimeter of the Sing Sing Correctional Facility property or as a component of the future redevelopment of the property would serve as an extremely beneficial community amenity for Village residents.

Existing Conditions					
Parcel Size	Ownership	Waterfront Access	Parking Access	Pedestrian Access	Zoning
51-Acre parcel bisected by Metro-North Railroad	State of New York	Waterfront access is currently restricted to due security issues – This large scale restricted access breaks-up continuity of the waterfront trail access	No public parking; parking on-site is for visitors to the prison and employees only	There are no sidewalks or access to the parcel.	Institutional Redevelopment (IR)

Opportunities	Constraints
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Large site for redevelopment if prison is relocated • Rich history – similar to Alcatraz 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Very large waterfront parcel with restricted access and no waterfront connection

Short Term Improvements	Long Term Improvements
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None Proposed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In the event of future redevelopment, work with developer to obtain public access at site

RiverWalk Trail Connection Opportunities
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Potential long-term trail alignment along waterfront –future location for interpretive historical signage about prison

Required Permits* See Permitting Chart in Section VI for timeframe
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NYSDEC • Village of Ossining • Army Corps of Engineers • NYSDOS