



TOWN of Bethlehem *Economic Developments*

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"The Town will grow in a manner that maintains and enhances its preeminent residential and semi-rural character through the attraction of high quality, clean, commercial development to carefully planned and strategically located sites. Residential neighborhoods in the Town will be enhanced by proximity to open space, pedestrian oriented facilities, high quality employment opportunities and neighborhood scale commercial services."

BIDA Vision Statement

BIDA BUILDS RAILROAD SIDING

Bethlehem IDA (BIDA) is constructing a new railroad sidetrack from the CSX Selkirk rail yard to 158 West Yard Road, a BIDA Project with a 350,000 sq. ft. warehouse in which Selkirk Ventures is the beneficial owner.

The rail project arose because Barrett Distribution, a tenant in the Project, proposed to ship bulk sugar by rail. BIDA applied to NYS Department of Transportation for a grant to construct 2,600 feet of new track to service the warehouse on the site. DOT awarded BIDA a grant of \$1,300,000 for permits, engineering and rail construction. In addition to the new tracks, construction will include two new turnouts, one double switch point, 1300 tons of ballast and three bumping posts. Barton & Loquidice, P.C. is providing engineering services for the planning, design, bidding and construction administration of the railroad siding. When complete, the new siding will allow tenants of the warehouse to transload, process and distribute products through the Selkirk rail yard.

BIDA expects that the beneficiaries of the rail project will realize a significant competitive advantage through direct rail shipment.

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