

MAP, PLAN and REPORT
for the
TOWN OF BOLTON
AMBULANCE DISTRICT

Reason for District:

The purpose of establishing the Bolton Ambulance District is to ensure the health and safety of those in Bolton who may find themselves in need of emergency medical care. It is our sincere belief that this is not only a crucial but potentially lifesaving endeavor which will benefit the people of the Town in any event that emergency medical services are required.

Establishing an Ambulance District helps to clarify the use of tax dollars paid by the residents, meaning that tax dollars acquired through the Bolton Ambulance District shall only be used by that District going forward. This should make it clear to the citizens of the Town of Bolton where exactly their tax dollars are being used and for what purpose. The Town believes that having a specific budget item to designate funds toward the newly established Ambulance District is paramount in terms of transparency and accessibility of such information to the people of the Town of Bolton; and to provide the funds necessary for such services.

Description of the proposed Ambulance District:

The territory of the proposed Bolton Ambulance District consists of the entire Town of

Bolton. Attached as Exhibit 1 is a map of the proposed District, which is a map of the Town.

Services to be provided:

Emergency medical service and ambulance service, for the purpose of providing pre-hospital emergency medical treatment and transporting sick or injured persons found within the boundaries of the Town to a hospital, clinic, sanatorium or other place for treatment of such illness or injury, and thereby serving the emergency medical needs of those persons within the boundaries described herein. Services to be provided include Basic Life Support transport and treatment and Advanced Life Support Treatment, which comply with the regulations of the New York State Department of Health, Bureau of Emergency Medical Services. These services will be provided by contract with the Bolton EMS Services Inc. ("Bolton EMS") without capital expenditures by the Town.

Plan:

The Town of Bolton, Warren County, intends to contract with the Bolton EMS Services Inc. for ambulance services for the area of the Ambulance District. The contract fee is intended to include a sufficient amount of funds so that the contracted ambulance service will be able to afford to provide employee staffed ambulances to serve the Town's Ambulance District, along with necessary costs of operation.

Maximum Amount Proposed to be Expended:

For the first year of operation of the Bolton Ambulance District, the maximum cost to be expended is estimated as follows:

- A) Contract for services: \$ 425,000

- B) Total taxable assessed value (as of 2022 assessment roll) of Bolton Ambulance District: \$1,909,521,707

- C) Tax rate for District Property Owners: \$.223 / \$1,000 of Taxable Assessed Value

- D) The typical property is a one or two family residence having an assessed value of \$459,000. There are sixty-nine (69) such parcels in total throughout the Town of Bolton.

- E) Estimated annual cost to a typical property owner in the district:
Typical property (\$459,000 assessed value – one or two family residence):
\$102.36

The maximum estimated cost in the first full year of operation to benefitted properties in the Bolton Ambulance District is based on funding of the estimated contract costs for emergency medical service from an ad valorem tax levied on property owners within the District. The method of calculation of the proposed maximum estimated amount to be expended in the first year of operation (2023) and the typical annual cost to a property

owner is detailed above.

Billing for services has been implemented by Bolton EMS Services Inc. If the Town's Bolton Ambulance District is formed and the Town uses taxpayer funds to obtain such services, the Town would have to authorize billing for services before they legally could be charged and collected, set the rates and regulations and exercise control over the amounts received, and have a complete accounting of the use of such funds. The Town Board will have to adopt a resolution pursuant to Town Law 198(10-f)(b) fixing a schedule of fees or charges to be paid by persons using the emergency medical and ambulance services, providing for the collection of such fees and charges, or formulating rules and regulations for the collection thereof by third parties. Any contract for such services is expected to address these services.

Revenues collected from billing for services in the future years is expected to be necessary to maintain the projected tax rate and would result in a lower tax levy for District residents than would otherwise be the case.

Appendix 1

Explanation of Maximum Cost Estimate Calculations

The maximum estimated cost of a contract for the first year of operation of the proposed Bolton Ambulance District (2023) was estimated using information arrived at after discussions between the Town and Bolton EMS, Inc. This information is used to estimate the cost of FY 2023 contract for the service with the ambulance company.

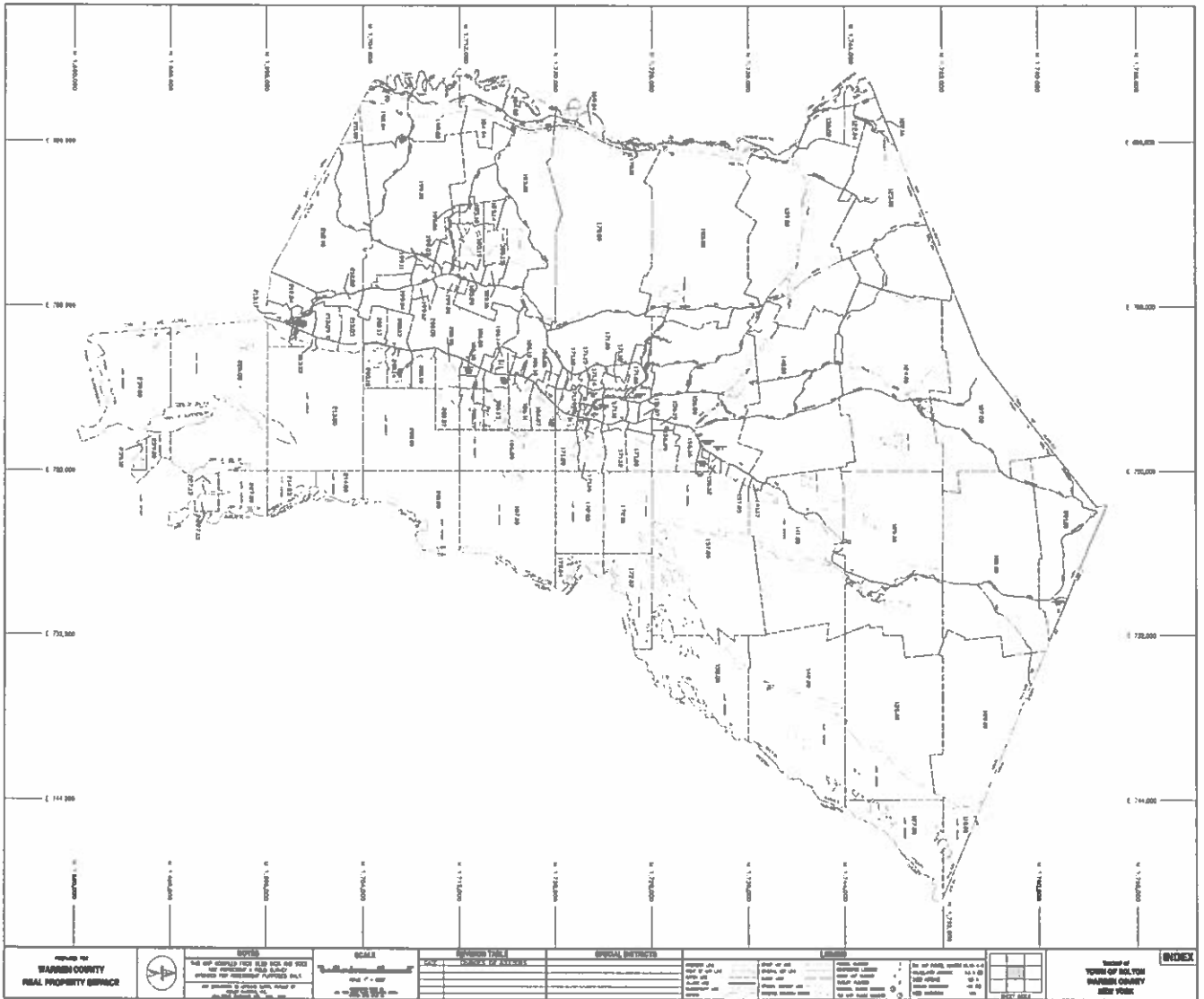
The tax rate is calculated by dividing the estimate for the contract cost for 2023 by the 2022 total taxable assessed value for the property in the Bolton Ambulance District territory as described above. This information was obtained from the Town's Assessor.

The estimated typical annual cost to a property owner in the proposed district is calculated by multiplying the Tax Rate for District Property Owners by the typical value of a benefited property in the Bolton Ambulance District territory. Town Law 209-a defines "typical property" as "a benefited property having an assessed value that approximates the assessed value of the mode of the benefited properties situated in the district...that would be required to finance the cost." The mode or most frequently occurring assessed value which has the highest value in the proposed Bolton Ambulance District in the latest completed final assessment roll (2022), as obtained from the Town Assessor is assessed at \$459,000 and applies to sixty-nine (69) one or two family residences throughout the Town, making this the most frequently occurring

assessed value.

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