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Village of Clayton Receives NYCOM Local Government Achievement Award Honorable Mention

The Village of Clayton received honorable mention as part of NYCOM's Local Government Achievement Awards for 2023. The awards program, in its 33rd year, recognized Clayton for its historic district infrastructure project.

In commenting on the award, NYCOM President Francis X. Murray, Mayor of the Village of Rockville Centre, stated: "I want to commend the Village of Clayton for this excellent project. This award recognizes that local officials are continuing to work diligently to improve their communities and the quality-of-life for their residents in efficient and innovative ways. This infrastructure project will benefit the Village of Clayton for years to come. Congratulations to Mayor Zimmer on a job well done."

This project involved the burying of power and utility lines – that had been in the same location for over a century – which allowed for major investments in historic properties in the Village's downtown corridor. By timing this with a New York State Department of Transportation infrastructure project, Clayton was able to cost-effectively transform its historic district with new water and sewer laterals, lighting, benches, bike racks, streets and sidewalks. As a result of these investments, the Village has enhanced its status as a tourism destination.

This award will be presented at NYCOM's Annual Meeting on May 18 in Bolton Landing. NYCOM represents 574 cities and villages in New York State and has been in existence since 1910.

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