

## NYS Comptroller Tells CHI Breakfast That Becoming a Homeowner Is Harder for Many

New York State Comptroller Thomas P. DiNapoli told a crowd of nearly 100 bankers, realtors and others involved in Westchester's real estate industry that despite a rebounding real estate market, it's becoming harder and harder for some New Yorkers to afford a home. DiNapoli cited a report he released in March that found that more than half of renters and more than a third of homeowners in the state are paying at least 30 percent of their incomes for housing. The federal government describes housing costs in excess of 30 percent of household income as unaffordable.



**NYS Comptroller Thomas DiNapoli**

In introducing the Comptroller, CHI Executive Director said local zoning is a key driver of housing affordability. He said that many communities use zoning to restrict the development of multifamily housing, thus limiting supply and driving up costs.



**CHI Executive Director Alexander Roberts**

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