

Establishing A Baseline For Reporting And Future Funding For Economic Development In Ulster County

Referred to: The Economic Development, Tourism, Housing, Planning and Transit Committee (Chairman Maloney and Legislators Berky, Delaune, Lapp, Litts, Maio and Rodriguez)

Deputy Chairman of the Economic Development, Tourism, Housing, Planning, and Transit Committee, Hector Rodriguez, and Legislators Berky and Delaune offer the following:

WHEREAS, the Ulster County Legislature (the Legislature) is the policy making body on behalf of the people of Ulster County; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature maintains oversight committees in concert with the County Executive; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature has previously approved funding for the Office of Economic Development and the Economic Development Agency; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature is desirous to establish criteria to measure economic success or failure from these efforts; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature has determined that reporting criteria would be valuable in determining future Economic Development funding levels; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, the Ulster County Legislature will require reporting from the Office of Economic Development every other month, on the following areas in order to create a baseline by which to measure the County's economic development efforts:

- DBA filings
- Commercial Referrals to the Planning Board
- Unemployment Rate
- Private Sector Jobs
- Median Wages
- Start-up Job Creation
- Home Sales
- Housing Starts
- County Property Tax Levy
- Sales Tax
- Occupancy "Bed" Tax
- I LOVE NY Numbers
- Census Data;

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and, be it further

RESOLVED, the Legislature may ask for additional information to be included in these reports and may be added to the baseline assessment of the Office of Economic Development and the Economic Development Agency,

and move its adoption.

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES:

NOES:

Postponed in Committee: Economic Development, Tourism, Housing, Planning and Transit on April 4, 2017

Passed Committee: Economic Development, Tourism, Housing, Planning and Transit on _____.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:
NONE