

**Establishing A Policy For The Appointment of Members To The
Ulster County Industrial Development Agency (IDA)**

Referred to: The Economic Development, Tourism, Housing, Planning and Transit Committee (Chairman Woltman and Legislators Archer, Delaune, Maio, James Maloney, Joseph Maloney, and Rodriguez)

Legislator Kathy Nolan offers the following:

WHEREAS, the Ulster County Legislature, by Resolution No. 34, adopted March 11, 1976, requested a special act of the New York State Legislature to create an agency known as the Ulster County Industrial Development Agency (the “IDA”), and

WHEREAS, the IDA has been established in accordance with Chapter 787 of the Laws of 1976, constituting Section 923 of the New York General Municipal Law, and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 856 of the New York General Municipal Law, except as otherwise provided by special act of the New York State Legislature, an industrial development agency shall consist of not less than three members and not more than seven members, who shall be appointed by the governing body for whose benefit the IDA was formed; and

WHEREAS, the Ulster County Legislature is the governing body of the municipality for whose benefit the IDA was formed; and

WHEREAS, the Ulster County Legislature now desires to establish a policy for appointments to the IDA that will place diverse groups on the IDA board in order to give greater assurance that all facets of a proposed project will be examined and that will avoid any apparent conflicts of interest; and

WHEREAS, legislation requiring diversity on IDA board has been proposed in the State Legislature; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that appointments to the IDA board shall include representatives of local government, school boards, organized labor, and local businesses; and

RESOLVED, that in making its appointments to the IDA board, the Ulster County Legislature shall also consider the benefits of having representatives of minority and women owned-businesses on the IDA board, as well as representatives from the local chambers of commerce,

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RESOLVED, that in order to avoid any real or apparent conflicts of interest,
no sitting member of the Ulster County Legislature shall simultaneously serve as a
member of the IDA board,

and move its adoption.

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES:

NOES:

Postponed in Committee: Economic Development, Tourism, Housing, Planning and
Transit on April 2, 2019 without consent

No Action Taken in Committee: Economic Development, Tourism, Housing,
Planning and Transit on May 7, 2019

No Action Taken in Committee: Economic Development, Tourism, Housing,
Planning and Transit on June 4, 2019

Defeated in Committee: Economic Development, Tourism, Housing, Planning and
Transit on July 2, 2019

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

NONE