

**Adopting The Inclusion Of Additional Lands In Agricultural Districts Within Ulster County As Recommended By The Ulster County Agricultural And Farmland Protection Board - Department Of Planning**

Referred to: The Economic Development, Tourism, Housing, Planning and Transit Committee (Chairman Briggs and Legislators Allen, Archer, Bartels, Litts, Maio, and Maloney)

Chairman of the Economic Development, Tourism, Housing, Planning, and Transit Committee, Thomas J. Briggs, and Deputy Chairman James F. Maloney offer the following:

WHEREAS, this resolution has been submitted by the County Executive on behalf of the Department of Planning; and

WHEREAS, consistent with §303(b) of New York Agriculture and Markets Law (AML), Ulster County established an annual 30-day review period for farmers to request the inclusion of additional lands in Agricultural Districts within Ulster County; and

WHEREAS, during this period, 11 requests were submitted to the Ulster County Legislature, consisting of 18 parcels with a total of approximately 784 acres; and

WHEREAS, on May 8, 2015, the Chairman of the Ulster County Legislature transmitted the requests for inclusion to the Agricultural Farmland Protection Board for their recommendations as required under §303(b) of the AML; and

WHEREAS, the Agricultural Farmland Protection Board met and reviewed the requests on May 14, 2015, and took the necessary actions by a majority of its members as required under the AML, to recommend the inclusion of lands in Agricultural Districts within Ulster County that consist of predominately viable agricultural land, and determined that the inclusion of such land would serve the public interest by assisting in maintaining a viable agricultural industry within the district; and

WHEREAS, the Agricultural and Farmland Protection Board has filed these recommendations/results and supporting documentation with the Clerk of the Ulster County Legislature; and

WHEREAS , The Ulster County Legislature held the required public hearing on June 16, 2015 with no public comments received; and



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Passed Committee: Economic Development, Tourism, Planning and Transit on July 7, 2015

FINANCIAL IMPACT:  
NONE

STATE OF NEW YORK

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COUNTY OF ULSTER

I, the undersigned Clerk of the Legislature of the County of Ulster, hereby certify that the foregoing resolution is the original resolution adopted by the Ulster County Legislature on the 21<sup>st</sup> Day of July in the year Two Thousand and Fifteen, and said resolution shall remain on file in the office of said clerk.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal of the County of Ulster this 23<sup>rd</sup> Day of July in the year Two Thousand and Fifteen.

|s| Victoria A. Fabella  
Victoria A. Fabella, Clerk  
Ulster County Legislature