

**Declaring Ulster County's Intent To Act As Lead Agency Under New York State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) For The Construction Of A Public Safety Radio Tower And Appurtenances To Be Located At 35 Quarry Road, Saugerties, New York – Emergency Communications / Emergency Management**

Referred to: The Energy and Environment Committee (Chairwoman Greene and Legislators Bruno, Criswell, Petit, and Wawro), The Law Enforcement and Public Safety Committee (Chairwoman Walter and Legislators Fabiano, Haynes, Heppner, and Parete), and The Public Works and Capital Projects Committee (Chairman Fabiano and Legislators Cahill, Greene, Heppner, and Litts)

Chairwoman of the Law Enforcement and Public Safety Committee, Eve Walter, and Deputy Chair Heidi Haynes offer the following:

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

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Resolution No. 377 of August 2016, Capital Project 482 was established for the development of a Countywide Radio System, and

WHEREAS, Ulster County, utilizing the services of its radio consultants, has analyzed the needed improvements to the radio communication system in terms of gaps in service due to lack of coverage from existing radio towers, and

WHEREAS, this analysis shows a coverage cap in the populated area of Saugerties, and after studying alternatives, has identified a site located at 35 Quarry Road that can close significant portions of this coverage gap; and

WHEREAS, the site identified and located at 35 Quarry Road, Saugerties, NY 12477, is a former tire recycling facility comprised of the properties with Section Block and Lot (SBL) No. 8.4-3-24 and SBL No. 8.4-2-1.200, both in the Town of Saugerties (the "Quarryville Site"), and was foreclosed upon by the County in April 2019 pursuant to Article 11 of New York Real Property Tax Law, following the release of New York State Department of Environmental Conservation ("NYSDEC") liens; and

WHEREAS, Ulster County desires to proceed with the required steps to develop a public safety radio tower to be located at the Quarryville Site; and

WHEREAS, the development and installation of a public safety radio tower and appurtenances at the Quarryville Site constitutes an action as defined under NYCRR Part 617.2(b) (the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act, SEQRA), and the County wishes to establish itself as a lead agency and conduct a coordinated review as provided for in NYCRR Part 617.6; now, therefore be it

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RESOLVED, that pursuant to 6 NYCRR Part 617.6(b)(3) of the Regulations pertaining to Article 8 of the SEQRA, the Ulster County Legislature hereby declares its intent to serve as Lead Agency for the above-referenced project; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Ulster County Legislature has determined, after review of the criteria contained in 6 NYCRR Parts 617.4 and 617.5, that the project is an Unlisted Action; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Ulster County Legislature will conduct a coordinated review and circulate its Notice of Intent to serve as Lead Agency, together with the Environmental Assessment Form (EAF) and accompanying documentation to all interested and involved agencies pursuant to 6 NYCRR Part 617.6(b)(2)(i) and 6 NYCRR Part 617.6(b)(3); and, be it further

RESOLVED, that pursuant to 6 NYCRR Part 617.6(b)(3), at the conclusion of an otherwise unchallenged thirty (30) day period following the date of transmittal of the Notice of Intent, the EAF and documentation aforesaid to the interested agencies, the Legislature shall become the Lead Agency under SEQRA for this project,

and moves its adoption.

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES:    23                      NOES:    0

Passed Committee: Energy and Environment on February 3, 2020

Passed Committee: Law Enforcement and Public Safety on February 5, 2020

Passed Committee: Public Works and Capital Projects on February 5, 2020

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

NONE

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STATE OF NEW YORK

ss:

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 18<sup>th</sup> Day of February in the year Two Thousand and Twenty, 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 20<sup>th</sup> Day of February in the year Two Thousand and Twenty.

[s] Victoria A. Fabella  
Victoria A. Fabella, Clerk  
Ulster County Legislature

Submitted to the County Executive this  
20<sup>th</sup> Day of February, 2020.

Approved by the County Executive this  
25<sup>th</sup> Day of February, 2020.

[s] Victoria A. Fabella  
Victoria A. Fabella, Clerk  
Ulster County Legislature

[s] Patrick K. Ryan  
Patrick K. Ryan, County Executive