

Authorizing The Planning Department To Submit An Application For A Building Cleaner Communities Grant To The New York State Energy Research And Development Authority (NYSERDA) Via The New York State Consolidated Funding Application (CFA) For The Community Wellness Hub Located At 368 Broadway, Kingston – Department Of Planning

Referred to: The Energy, Environment and Sustainability Committee (Chairman Hewitt and Legislators Donaldson, Greene, Litts, Nolan, Stewart, and Walls), The Economic Development, Planning, Education, Employment, Arts and Agriculture Committee (Chairwoman Sperry and Legislators Clinton, Corcoran, Hewitt, Litts, Stewart and Walls), and The Ways and Means Committee (Chairman Gavaris and Legislators Collins, Hansut, Kovacs, Nolan, and Roberts)

Chairwoman of the Economic Development, Planning, Education, Employment, Arts and Agriculture Committee, Megan Sperry, and Deputy Chair Herbert Litts, III offer the following:

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

WHEREAS, the Regional Economic Development Councils (REDCs) and the Consolidated Funding Application (CFA) were created to advance efforts to improve New York’s business climate and expand economic growth; and

WHEREAS, Ulster County has demonstrated its environmental commitment and leadership by achieving Certified Silver status in the New York State Climate Smart Communities Program (CSC) Program and being designated a NYSERDA Clean Energy Community (CEC); and

WHEREAS, the fourteenth round of the CFA is now open, with an application deadline of July 31st at 4:00pm; and

WHEREAS, the New York State Energy Research and Development Authority (NYSERDA) Building Cleaner Communities Competition has incentives available to support regionally significant, carbon neutral and resilient projects in New York State; and

WHEREAS, the Department has determined that an appropriate grant application includes the use of funding to provide geothermal installation at the County’s Community Wellness Hub located at 368 Broadway in the City of Kingston; and

WHEREAS, the state share will be a maximum of 60% of the total project costs or Two Million (\$2,000,000.00) Dollars, whichever is less, and

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WHEREAS, the County desires to submit application to utilize funding from this program to support its municipal operations; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Director of the Ulster County Planning Department, is hereby authorized to submit online applications through the New York State Consolidated Funding Application (CFA) for the New York State Energy Research and Development Authority for Funding up to grant’s maximum award amount for the installation of geothermal wells at the Wellness Hub located at 368 Broadway in the City of Kingston; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that a copy of all grant applications shall be filed with the Clerk of the Legislature upon submittal,

and moves its adoption.

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 23 NOES: 0

Passed Committee: Energy, Environment and Sustainability on July 2, 2024

Passed Committee: Economic Development, Planning, Education, Employment, Arts and Agriculture on July 2, 2024

Passed Committee: Ways and Means on July 11, 2024

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

STATE SHARE WILL BE A MAXIMUM OF 60% OF UP TO \$2,000,000.00

40% COUNTY MATCH REQUIRED

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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 16th Day of July in the year Two Thousand Twenty-Four, 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 19th Day of July in the year Two Thousand Twenty-Four.

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

Submitted to the County Executive this
19th Day of July 2024.

Approved by the County Executive this
25th Day of July 2024.

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

[s] Jen Metzger
Jen Metzger, County Executive