Resolution No. 47 February 15, 2017

Authorizing The Chairman Of The Legislature To Call Public Hearings To Satisfy The Public Participation Requirement For The Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG) – Department Of Planning

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

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

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

WHEREAS, the New York State Homes and Community Renewal (NYSHCR) issues an annual Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) for the following programs: Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), RESTORE, Affordable Homeownership Development Program (AHODP), Access to Home, and Access to Home for Medicaid Recipients Program; and

WHEREAS, Ulster County was also the recipient of Community Development Block Grants (CDBG) administered by the New York State Office of Community Renewal to provide funding for low and moderate income households to achieve homeownership; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing consistent with Federal Requirements found in 24 CFR 570.486 is required prior to the submittal of the grant application under the Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG) administered by NYSHCR to seek direction and comments on the application; and

WHEREAS, Ulster County has, in the past, made application under the CDBG Program and is likely to do so in an upcoming funding round, and

WHEREAS, participation in the CDBG Program requires a second public hearing to allow the public an opportunity to comment on the implementation of CDBG-funded activities; and

WHEREAS, the County, through its sub-recipient RUPCO, is scheduled to fully implement in 2017 the CDBG-funded Preserving and Greening Housing in Ulster County Program and Achieving Homeownership Program making it appropriate for holding the required second public hearing for these Programs;

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WHEREAS, the County held the first of two required public hearings on the Preserving and Greening Housing in Ulster County Program on February 11, 2015 prior to submitting its application; and

WHEREAS, the County held the first of two required public hearings on the Creating Opportunities for Homeownership Program on September 15, 2015 prior to submitting its application; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Ulster County Legislature is authorized to call public hearings in 2017 as necessary to satisfy the public participation requirements of the CDBG Program in accordance with 24 CFR 570.486; and, be it further

RESOLVED, the Clerk of the Ulster County Legislature shall cause any notice of hearing to be posted on the bulletin boards in County Buildings and published in official publications, and the Clerk shall also provide copies of the hearing notice to all chief elected officials of municipalities within Ulster County;

and moves its adoption.

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: NOES:

Defeated in Committee: Economic Development, Tourism, Housing, Planning and Transit on February 7, 2017

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