Resolution No. 479 December 20, 2016

Amending The Electric Vehicle Charging Station Policy To Exclude Personal Use By County Employees

Referred to: The Energy and Environment Committee (Chairman R. Parete and Legislators Bartels, Heppner, Lapp and Wawro), The Public Works and Capital Projects Committee (Chairman Fabiano and Legislators Greene, Litts, Loughran, and Maloney), and The Ways and Means Committee (Chairman Gerentine and Legislators Allen, Bartels, Belfiglio, Briggs, Maio, and Maloney)

Legislator Richard A. Parete offers the following:

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. 332 dated September 15, 2015, the Ulster County Legislature determined that it was responsible to establish a policy regulating the use of Ulster County electric vehicle charging stations; and

WHEREAS, at the time the "Ulster County Electric Vehicle Charging Station Policy" was adopted, the promotion of tourism was a main justification to offer the electric free of charge; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. 446 dated December 15, 2015 the Ulster County Legislature determined that it was reasonable and appropriate to charge a fee-for-service for use of the charging stations; and

WHEREAS, in the County Executive's Veto Message of Resolution No. 446, the use of the electric charging stations was referred to repeatedly as a benefit for public purposes; and

WHEREAS, this free benefit is being taken advantage of by some County employees, creating an unlevel playing field for the benefits being afforded to all members of the workforce; and

WHEREAS, Ulster County strives to provide a fair and equitable working environment for all employees; and

WHEREAS, further modification of the Electric Vehicle Charging Policy is required to correct this loophole and more accurately reflect use for the intended purposes of tourism promotion and public benefit; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Ulster County Legislature hereby amends the "Ulster County Electric Vehicle Charging Station Policy" to exclude use by County employees for personal benefit, as attached hereto as Exhibit A,

and moves its adoption.

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	ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:	
	AYES:	NOES:
Passed Committee: Public Works and Capital Projects on		
Passed Committee: Energy and Environment on		
Passed Committee: Ways and Means on		
FINANCIAL IMPACT: NONE		