

**Resolution No. 51      February 15, 2017**

**Authorizing The Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Extend an Inter-Municipal Agreement with The Town Of New Paltz to Provide Public Transit Service to the New Paltz Area (New Paltz LOOP)–Department Of Public Transportation (Ulster County Area Transit)**

Referred to: The Economic Development, Tourism, Housing, Planning and Transit Committee (Chairman Maloney and Legislators Berky, Delaune, Lapp, Litts, Maio and Rodriguez), and The Ways and Means Committee (Chairman Gerentine and Legislators Allen, Bartels, Belfiglio, Briggs, Maio, and Maloney)

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 Public Transportation; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to reduce highway congestion and reduce the number of single occupancy vehicles on the roads; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. 218, July 9, 2008, the Chairman of the Ulster County Legislature executed a three-year agreement ending November 30, 2011 with the Town of New Paltz, to provide public transit service between the Town of New Paltz, the Village of New Paltz, and the State University of New York at New Paltz (the “New Paltz LOOP”); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. 229, October 18, 2011, the Chairman of the Ulster County Legislature executed a three-year agreement ending November 30, 2014 with the Town of New Paltz, to continue to provide the New Paltz LOOP service; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. 318, September 23, 2014, the Chairman of the Ulster County Legislature executed a two-year agreement ending November 30, 2016 with the Town of New Paltz, to continue to provide the New Paltz LOOP service; and

WHEREAS, the Ulster County Director of Public Transportation is requesting the execution of a two-year contract extension with the Town of New Paltz to continue the New Paltz LOOP public transit service for the term December 1, 2016 through November 30, 2018 at an estimated operating cost of \$145,000.00; and

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WHEREAS, this program will continue contingent upon the availability of local operating funds from the Town of New Paltz, and adequate bus fares; and

WHEREAS, operating funds have been approved in the 2017 Ulster County Budget to continue such services for the period ending November 30, 2018; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that this service will continue contingent upon the availability of local operating funds from the Town of New Paltz and adequate bus fares, and move its adoption.

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 19                      NOES: 0  
(Absent: Legislators Gerentine, Maio, Roberts and Ronk)

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

Passed Committee: Ways and Means on February 7, 2017

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

\$ 57,703.00 – BUDGETED 2017 APPROPRIATION DOLLARS

\$ 57,703.00 – BUDGETED 2017 REVENUE DOLLARS

