

Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Extend An Intermunicipal 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 Cahill and Legislators Archer, Corcoran, Delaune, Litts, Maio, and Uchitelle), and The Ways and Means Committee (Chairman Gavaris and Legislators Archer, Bartels, Haynes, Maio, Parete, Ronk, and Walter)

Chairman of the Economic Development, Tourism, Housing, Planning, and Transit Committee, Brian B. Cahill, 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 Department of Public Transportation; and

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

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. 218 dated July 9, 2008, the Chairman of the Ulster County Legislature executed a three-year agreement with the Town of New Paltz ending November 30, 2011 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 of 2011, Resolution No. 318 of 2014, Resolution No. 51 of 2017, Resolution 458 of 2018, Resolution No. 394 of 2020, and Resolution 260 of 2021, the Chair of the Ulster County Legislature executed various agreements with the Town of New Paltz to continue to provide the New Paltz LOOP service; and

WHEREAS, operating funds have been approved in the 2021 Ulster County Budget to continue New Paltz LOOP services for the period beginning July 1, 2021 and ending December 31, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the Ulster County Director of Public Transportation is requesting the execution of a 6-month contract extension with the Town of New Paltz to continue the New Paltz LOOP public transit service for a term beginning Jan. 1, 2022 and ending June 30, 2022 at an estimated operating cost of \$25,000; now, therefore be it

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RESOLVED, that the Chair of the Ulster County Legislature is hereby authorized to execute an agreement and any related amendments with the Town of New Paltz for the period beginning Jan. 1, 2022 and ending June 30, 2022 to continue the New Paltz LOOP public transit service; and, be it further

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: 22 NOES: 0
(Absent: Legislator Bruno)

Passed Committee: Economic Development, Tourism, Housing, Planning and Transit on November 30, 2021

Passed Committee: Ways and Means on December 7, 2021

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

\$ 25,000.00 – BUDGETED 2022 APPROPRIATION DOLLARS

\$ 25,000.00 – BUDGETED 2022 REVENUE DOLLARS

