

Authorizing Submittal Of A Grant Application For Funding To The New York State Department Of Agriculture And Markets To Develop An Agricultural And Farmland Protection Plan For Ulster County – Department Of Planning

Referred to: The Economic Development, Planning, Education, Employment, Arts and Agriculture Committee (Chairman Cahill and Legislators Corcoran, Criswell, Hewitt, Litts, Maloney and Sperry), and The Ways and Means Committee (Chairman Gavaris and Legislators Cahill, Fabiano, Ronk, and Walter)

Chairman of the Economic Development, Planning, Education, Employment, Arts and Agriculture 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 Planning; and

WHEREAS, the New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets is seeking applications for developing county agricultural and farmland protection plans for which counties is eligible for grants up to \$50,000 or 50% of the cost (whichever is less); and

WHEREAS, the last agricultural and farmland protection plan for Ulster County was adopted in 1997 and is eligible for funding and has been recommended to be updated by the Ulster County Farmland Protection Board; and

WHEREAS, the Ulster County Planning Department's 2022 Adopted budget includes the required matching funds needed for implementation of the grant if awarded; and

WHEREAS, the Application requires the submittal of a letter from the Chair of the Legislature, or his or her designee, authorizing the submittal of application; and now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Ulster County Legislature hereby authorizes submittal of a grant application to update the Agricultural and Farmland Protection Plan for Ulster County; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Executive or the County Executive's designee is authorized to submit letters, certifications, and other materials needed to satisfy the requirements of the grant application,

and moves its adoption.

