

Economic Development, Tourism, Housing, Planning & Transit Committee

Committee Meeting Minutes

DATE & TIME: December 3, 2019 – 6:00 PM
LOCATION: K.L. Binder Library
PRESIDING OFFICER: Chair Brian Woltman
LEGISLATIVE STAFF: Nettie Tomshaw
PRESENT: Legislators Archer, Delaune, Litts, Maio, Rodriguez
ABSENT: Joseph Maloney
QUORUM PRESENT: Yes

OTHER ATTENDEES: Legislator Laura Petit, Legislator Kathy Nolan, Deputy County Executive Marc Rider, Deputy County Exec. John Milgrim, Dennis Doyle Director Department of Planning, Deputy Dir. Dept. of Planning Chris White, Carol Hargrove Director UCAT, Director Alan Macaluso Information Services, Rick Remsnyder Director Tourism, Peter Criswell Legislator Elect Dist. No. 7, Dir. Office of Economic Dev. Lisa Berger, Tomasine Oliphant Dept. of Employment & Training, Kevin Smith WLC/UCTAC, Nick Mercurio, John Grossbohlhlin City of Kingston complete Streets Advisory Committee

- Chair Woltman called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.
- Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.
- Attendance

Motion No. 1: Moved to Approve the Minutes of November 7, 2019

Motion Made By: Legislator Rodriguez
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Litts
Discussion: None
Voting In Favor: Legislators Woltman, Archer, Delaune, Litts, Maio, Rodriguez
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 6
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Minutes Approved

Chair Woltman called upon Carol Hargrove, Director Public Transportation who will be retiring after 20 years of service with the county at the end of the year. Carol wanted to thank the committee for working with her over the years, and is looking forward to volunteering within the community. Chairman Woltman and committee members all joined in thanking Carol for her dedicated service, and outstanding commitment given to Ulster County and wishing her a long and healthy retirement.

Resolutions for the December 18, 2019 Session of the Legislature

Resolution No. 415: Establishing Program Administration For The Ulster County Revolving Loan Fund Committee

Resolution Summary: This resolution establishes and assigns the care and custody of all UC Revolving Loan Funds, including but not limited to former CDBG funds and HUD Section 108 funds to the Office of the Clerk of the UC Legislature. This resolution would serve notice to the UCEDA that its services relating to the UCRLF are hereby terminated.

Discussion:

Chair Woltman recognized Legislator Rodriguez who as sponsor withdrew his resolution.

Disposition: **Resolution Withdrawn**

Resolution No. 522: Adopting Proposed Local Law No. 13 Of 2019, A Local Law Requiring That Property Owners Of Multi-Family Dwellings Located In Ulster County With More Than Twenty Units Have An Office In Ulster County

Resolution Summary: This resolution adopts Proposed Local Law No. 13 of 2019.

Motion No. 3: **Motion to Discuss & Postpone Resolution No. 522**
Motion By: Legislator Litts
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Woltman

Discussion:

Legislator Litts suggested the committee postpone the Proposed Local Law until after the legislative body holds the advertised Public Hearing to be held on December 10, 2019. A special meeting will be scheduled at a later date. Sponsor Legislator Petit was amenable to postponement.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Woltman, Archer, Delaune, Litts, Maio, Rodriguez
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 6
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: **Resolution Postponed**

Resolution No. 531: Confirming The Appointment Of Tomasine Oliphant As Director Of The Department Of Employment And Training

Resolution Summary: This resolution confirms the appointment of Tomasine Oliphant as Director of the Department of Employment and Training.

Motion No. 4: **Motion to Discuss & Adopt Resolution No. 531**
Motion By: Legislator Litts
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Rodriguez

Discussion: Chair Woltman called upon Marc Rider and Lisa Berger to introduce Tomasine Oliphant welcoming her as Director of the Dept. of Employment and Training. Tomasine provided an overview of her work history and answered committee questions regarding experience.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Woltman, Archer, Delaune, Litts, Maio, Rodriguez
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 6
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: **Resolution Adopted**

Resolution No. 538: Reappointing Member To The Ulster County Planning Board – Town of Woodstock

Resolution Summary: This resolution reappoints Matthew Rudikoff to the UC Planning Board in the Town of Woodstock.

Motion No. 5: **Motion to Discuss & Adopt Resolution No. 538**
Motion By: Legislator Rodriguez
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Litts

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Woltman, Archer, Delaune, Litts, Maio, Rodriguez
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 6
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: **Resolution Adopted**

Resolution No. 539: Issuing Determination And Findings Pursuant To Eminent Domain Procedure Law For The Ulster County Midtown Linear Park - PIN 8761.82 - In The City Of Kingston - Department Of Planning

Resolution Summary: This resolution issues a determination and findings pursuant to eminent domain procedure law for the UC Midtown Linear Park in the City of Kingston.

Motion No. 6: **Motion to Discuss Resolution No. 539**
Motion By: Legislator Archer
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Maio

Discussion: Committee discussion ensued. Legislator Litts expressed the need for more eminent domain detail within the resolve section of the resolution not rail footage. After much committee discussion with Chris White, Legislator Litts proposed the following amendments to page 3 of the resolution.

(Additional language is bold, language removed is struck through)

“The proposed public Project is **.80 miles long and** located in the City of Kingston extending from Westbrook Lane by Kingston Plaza to Cornell Street in midtown Kingston along the abandoned Ulster & Delaware Railroad right-of-way.

Alternative A: This alternative would **utilize the existing Ulster and Delaware railroad alignment from I-587 to Westbrook Lane.** ~~remove the tracks east of Westbrook Lane to the I-587 underpass (approximately 1,100 feet).~~ This alternative meets the public purposes of the Project but was rejected because it would not allow tourism railroad passengers to load at the eastern end of Kingston Plaza.

Alternative B: This alternative would **deviate from the Ulster and Delaware railroad alignment and follow the interim trail to the south of that alignment for a distance of 800 feet to 1100 feet between Westbrook Lane and the I-587 underpass** ~~retain at least 800 feet of track allowing tourism railroad operations to continue while improving site distances by the I-587 underpass.~~ This alternative meets the public purposes of the Project and was determined to be the Preferred Alternative. The Project may reduce or eliminate the 300 remaining feet of track ~~proposed for removal~~ based on future Legislative determinations on the matter. “

Motion No. 7: Motion to Amend Resolution No. 539
Motion By: Legislator Woltman
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Delaune
Voting In Favor: Legislators Woltman, Archer, Delaune, Litts, Maio, Rodriguez
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 6
Votes Against: 0

Motion No. 8: Motion to Adopt Resolution No. 539 As Amended
Motion By: Legislator Woltman
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Delaune
Voting In Favor: Legislators Woltman, Archer, Delaune, Litts, Maio, Rodriguez
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 6
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Resolution Adopted As Amended

Resolution No. 540: Amending Capital Project No. 479 - Ulster County Midtown Linear Park (PIN 8761.82) - Authorizing The Ulster County Executive To Execute Agreements, Certifications And Reimbursement Requests For Federal Aid On Behalf Of Ulster County With The New York State Department Of Transportation For Funding Right-Of-Way Acquisition - Amending The 2019 Capital Fund Budget - Department Of Planning

Resolution Summary: This resolution amends Capital Project No. 479 for the UC Midtown Linear Park authorizing the UC Executive to execute agreements, certifications and reimbursement requests for federal aid on behalf of UC with the NYS DOT for funding the right-of-way acquisitions.

Motion No. 9: Motion to Discuss & Adopt Resolution No. 540
Motion By: Legislator Archer
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Litts

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Woltman, Archer, Delaune, Litts, Maio, Rodriguez
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 6
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Resolution Adopted

Resolution No. 566: Approving The Execution Of A Contract In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Computer Professionals International Inc. – Information Services

Resolution Summary: This resolution approves the execution of a contract with Computer Professionals International Inc. for technology system professional engineering services. \$60K, 100% County, Contract dates 1/1/20 – 12/31/21.

Motion No. 10: **Motion to Discuss & Adopt Resolution No. 566**
Motion By: Legislator Maio
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Archer

Discussion:

Chair Woltman called upon Director Macaluso who provided an overview. This vendor brings a lot of expertise on networking and there are plans for a countywide switch upgrade, potential data center move, and some other server moves are also planned for the new year.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Woltman, Archer, Delaune, Litts, Maio, Rodriguez
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 6
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: **Resolution Adopted**

Resolution No. 567: Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Trapeze Software Group, Inc. – Information Services

Resolution Summary: This resolution approves the execution of a contract amendment #5 automatic renewal with Trapeze Software Group, Inc. – and increase funding for maintenance of Tripspark fleet routing and scheduling software. 100% County, Prior Amt. \$837.4K, Amd. Amt. \$59.5K, Total Amt. \$896.9K, Amd. Term. 12/31/19 – 12/31/20 with auto renewal.

Motion No. 11: **Motion to Discuss & Adopt Resolution No. 567**
Motion By: Legislator Archer
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Maio

Discussion:

Chair Woltman called upon Alan Macaluso who provided an overview of the UCAT software contract for bus scheduling, routes and to track ridership. This is the fifth amendment contract for one year renewals. Legislator Rodriguez although noting this is unique software he expressed the county should continue to go out for bids and not become complacent.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Woltman, Archer, Delaune, Litts, Maio, Rodriguez
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 6
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: **Resolution Adopted**

Resolution No. 568: Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – RTB, Inc. D/B/A Continuum Systems – Information Services

Resolution Summary: This resolution approves the execution of a contract amendment #15 with RTB, Inc. D/B/A Continuum Systems extending the term of the agreement and increase funding for maintenance of OnBase records management / retention software. 100% County, Prior Amt. \$388K, Amd. Amt. \$57K, Total Amt. \$445.4K, Term 1/31/20 – 1/31/21.

Motion No. 12: **Motion to Discuss & Adopt Resolution No. 568**
Motion By: Legislator Litts
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Maio

Discussion:

Chair Woltman called upon Alan Macaluso who provided an overview of the contact amendment for support and maintenance for the OnBase records management / retention software used countywide for archival purposes, financial scanning of purchase orders, invoices, etc. The first contract was purchased in 2010. The county standard operating procedures are entrenched in the program whereas although not impossible to evaluate new software it would be hard to replicate / extricate ourselves.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Woltman, Archer, Delaune, Litts, Maio, Rodriguez
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 6
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: **Resolution Adopted**

Resolution No. 569: Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Cubic, Inc. – Department Of Tourism

Resolution Summary: This resolution approves the execution of a contract amendment #1 with Cubic, Inc. extending the term of agreement and increasing funding for tourism advertising and marketing services. 100% County, Prior Amt. \$350K, Amd. Amt. \$350K, Total Amt. \$700K, Prior Term 1/1/19-12/31/19, Amd. Term 12/31/19 – 12/31/20.

Motion No. 13: **Motion to Discuss & Adopt Resolution No. 569**
Motion By: Legislator Maio
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Litts

Discussion:

Chair Woltman called upon Rick Remsnyder who provided a brief overview of our fourth-year working with Cubic, Inc. The county evaluated eight different agencies. Rick noted Cubic’s work is superior, head and shoulders above others - very pleased with their work. They have redesigned the website and provide creative ads. 2018 tourism spending in Ulster County was \$654 million, up 11% and continues to rise while building our brand with this agency contributed to that. Occupancy tax was also up 22% going into the third quarter of 2019. Marc Rider noted this is the last and final amendment contract with this agency.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Woltman, Archer, Delaune, Litts, Maio, Rodriguez
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 6
Votes Against: 0

Disposition:

Resolution Adopted

Chair Woltman asked if there was any other business, and hearing none;

Motion to Adjourn

Motion Made By: Legislator Litts
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Rodriguez
No. of Votes in Favor: 6
No. of Votes Against: 0

Time: 7:12 PM

Respectfully submitted: Nettie Tomshaw, Legislative Staff
Minutes Approved: February 4, 2020