

Proposed Local Law Number 8 Of 2017

County Of Ulster

A Local Law Amending The Ulster County Charter, (Local Law No. 2 Of 2006), And Amending The Administrative Code For The County Of Ulster, (Local Law No. 10 Of 2008), To Establish The Department Of Economic Development

BE IT ENACTED, by the County Legislature of the County of Ulster, New York, as follows:

SECTION 1. LEGISLATIVE INTENT.

The Ulster County Legislature hereby finds and determines that it is necessary to establish and maintain a Department of Economic Development to facilitate economic growth, attract business, and increase investment and development in and for the County. The Ulster County Legislature finds that the adoption of this law is an appropriate exercise of its powers under Municipal Home Rule Law §10[1][ii][a][1].

SECTION 2. The Ulster County Charter and The Administrative Code are hereby amended to read as follows by adding the following sections thereto:

Article XVII Department of Economic Development

§C-75 Director of Economic Development.

A. There shall be a Department of Economic Development under the direction of the Director of Economic Development, who shall be appointed by the County Executive, subject to confirmation by the County Legislature, and serve at the pleasure of the County Executive. The Director of Economic Development shall be appointed on the basis of his or her professional training and experience and other qualifications for the responsibilities of that office.

B. Powers and duties. The Director of Economic Development shall be the chief administrative officer of the Department. Except as may otherwise be provided in this Charter, he or she shall have all the powers and perform all the duties now or hereafter conferred or imposed by law upon him or her and shall perform such other related duties as directed by the County Executive or as appropriated by the County Legislature.

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C. Reports. On or before March 1 of each year, the Director of Economic Development shall make an annual report to the County Legislature and County Executive for the immediately preceding calendar year, covering generally the work of the department. The Director of Economic Development shall make such other reports at such times as may be required by the County Legislature, County Executive or any applicable law. Copies of all reports shall be filed with the Clerk of the County Legislature and the County Executive.

§ A-17-2 Deputy Director of Economic Development.

A. The Director of Economic Development shall have the power to appoint one or more Deputy Directors of Economic Development, within the limits of appropriations therefor. Every appointment shall be in writing and filed in the Office of the County Clerk and the Clerk of the Legislature.

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B. The term of office of any deputy not classified as competitive under the County's civil service rules, appointed hereunder, shall coincide with that of the Director of Economic Development, provided that such appointment may be revoked at any time by the Director of Economic Development by written revocation filed with the County Clerk. Positions of Deputy Director may be in the exempt class of civil service; or in the alternative, the deputy may also be an additional title which may be designated by the Director for a department staff member.

C. Deputy Directors shall perform such duties pertaining to the Office of Economic Development as the Director may direct and shall act generally for and in such place of the Director and perform such other and further duties as the Director may assign.

D. The designation of an order of succession for the position of Deputy Director shall be filed with the County Clerk and the Clerk of the County Legislature by the Director of Economic Development and may be revoked at any time by the Director of Economic Development filing a new written designation of order of succession.

SECTION 3. SEVERABILITY.

In the event that any portion of this local law is found to be invalid, such finding will not have any effect on either the remaining portions or applications of this local law or any provisions of the Ulster County Charter or Code, all of which shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 4. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This local law shall take effect immediately upon filing with the New York State Secretary of State.