

Approving 2009 Appropriation And Guidelines For Funding The Kingston/Ulster Empire Zone

The Economic Development, Housing, Planning and Transit Committee (Chairman Rodriguez and Legislators Bischoff, Loughran, Sheeley, Harris, Roberti and Terrizzi) offers the following:

WHEREAS, the Kingston/Ulster Empire Zone in Ulster County, established in 1994, has a long record of facilitating new job growth by providing local technical assistance to Empire Zone Certified Businesses within Ulster County, and

WHEREAS, the Kingston/Ulster Empire Zone continues economic development efforts and thus the attraction of new businesses and jobs for the people of Ulster County, and

WHEREAS, the Ulster County Legislature has heretofore earmarked the sum of \$15,000.00 in the 2009 Ulster County Budget to the Contingent Account pending legal opinion for the Kingston/Ulster Empire Zone for funding the following efforts:

- Provide staff to conduct Kingston/Ulster Empire Zone operations from the UCDC location, with a target of two days per month;
- Send representative to serve on UCDC Board;
- Work with UCDC to educate businesses regarding Kingston/Ulster Empire Zone benefits;
- Make site visits to existing businesses throughout Ulster County regarding potential zone benefits;
- Attend Red Carpet Team meetings (even if name and form change);
- Consider Zone boundary amendments on a case-by-case basis;
- Prepare annual report of Kingston/Ulster Empire Zone program goals and objectives;
- Follow-up with Zone companies that don't file business annual reports for pre-certification to provide services; and
- Facilitate access to Zone Capital Corporation Loans for applicable businesses

Documentation of this initiative must be maintained on file by the Kingston/Ulster Empire Zone and shall be submitted with each invoice, as well as provided to the Chairman of the Ulster County Legislature, the Chairman of the Ways and Means Committee of the Ulster County Legislature, and the Chairman of the Economic Development Committee of the Ulster County Legislature, and

WHEREAS, this appropriation will be applied to the Kingston/Ulster Empire Zone program for the fiscal year 2008-2009, and

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WHEREAS, the Economic Development, Housing, Planning and Transit Committee has met and reviewed this program with a majority of the members voting approval, and

WHEREAS, the Ways and Means Committee has met and reviewed said request with a majority of the members voting approval, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the 2009 Ulster County Budget is hereby amended as follows:

CREATE

A4-2801-4964 Kingston/Ulster Empire Zone
(App. #)

TRANSFER

<u>FROM</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
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A4-1331-4553 (App. #)	Contingent Account	\$15,000.00
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<u>TO</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
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A4-2801-4964 (App. #)	Kingston/Ulster Empire Zone	\$15,000.00
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and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Ulster County Legislature is hereby authorized to enter into an agreement on behalf of the County of Ulster with the Kingston/Ulster Empire Zone and approving the guidelines for funding this initiative, in the form as filed with the Clerk of the Ulster County Legislature or as modified with the approval of the County Attorney's Office,

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and moves its adoption.

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 26 NOES: 0
(Absent: Legislators Aiello, Dart, Maloney,
Provenzano, Roberts, Shapiro and Stoeckeler)

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

**\$15,000.00 – TRANSFER FROM CONTINGENT ACCOUNT
2009 BUDGETED COUNTY DOLLARS**

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STATE OF NEW YORK

ss:

COUNTY OF ULSTER

This is to certify that I, the undersigned Clerk of the Legislature of the County of Ulster have compared the foregoing resolution with the original resolution now on file in the office of said clerk, and which was adopted by said Legislature on the 7th Day of April, 2009, and that the same is a true and correct transcript of said resolution and of the whole thereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal of the County of Ulster this 9th Day of April in the year Two Thousand and Nine.

|s| Mary L. Carey
Mary L. Carey, Clerk
Ulster County Legislature

Submitted to the County Executive this
9th Day of April, 2009.

|s| Mary L. Carey
Mary L. Carey, Clerk
Ulster County Legislature

Approved by the County Executive this
9th Day of April, 2009.

|s| Michael P. Hein
Michael P. Hein, County Executive