

Establishing Capital Project No. 325 - The Greater Catskills Flood Remediation Program – Purchase And Demolition Of Residential Properties Damaged By Devastating Floods In Ulster County Since April 1, 2004 - New York State Housing Trust Fund Corporation, Division Of Housing And Community Renewal- Approval Of The Environmental Review Under The State Environmental Review Act (SEQRA)-Classification Of Project As An Unlisted Action, And Approval Of Negative Declaration – Emergency Communications/ Emergency Management

The Criminal Justice and Safety Committee (Chairman Dart and Legislators Briggs, R.A. Parete, Zimet, Hansut, Maloney and Ronk) and the Public Works and Capital Projects Committee (Chairman Loughran and Legislators Decker, Hochberg, Sheeley, Fabiano, Felicello and Roberts) offer the following:

WHEREAS, Ulster County has entered into an agreement on March 12, 2008 with the Housing Trust Fund Corporation, subsidiary of the New York State Housing Finance Agency, to develop and administer the Greater Catskills Flood Remediation Program, as authorized pursuant to Resolution No. 281, dated September 10, 2008, and

WHEREAS, under the program, eleven counties in the Southern Tier and Catskill regions may purchase eligible homes that have been damaged by the devastating floods these regions have experienced since April 1, 2004, and are further determined to be at future risk, and

WHEREAS, the goal of this program is to remove people and their possessions from harm's way in areas that have been hit particularly hard by flooding and enable homeowners to relocate from areas that remain vulnerable to flooding, and

WHEREAS, homes purchased would be condemned and property will be dedicated in perpetuity for open space, recreational, wetlands or flood mitigation purposes, and

WHEREAS, the Housing Trust Fund Corporation will reimburse the County for the costs of this project up to the maximum amount of \$1,906,580.00, and the County will need to contribute \$20,000.00, for preliminary administrative and legal costs, title searches, appraisals, and incidental matters associated with the acquisition of properties in this program, much of which has been accomplished in 2008, and

WHEREAS, the period for final completion of this project is December 31, 2009, and

Resolution No. 145 May 13, 2009

Establishing Capital Project No. 325 - The Greater Catskills Flood Remediation Program – Purchase And Demolition Of Residential Properties Damaged By Devastating Floods In Ulster County Since April 1, 2004 - New York State Housing Trust Fund Corporation, Division Of Housing And Community Renewal- Approval Of The Environmental Review Under The State Environmental Review Act (SEQRA)-Classification Of Project As An Unlisted Action, And Approval Of Negative Declaration – Emergency Communications/ Emergency Management

WHEREAS, the Director of Emergency Communications/Emergency Management is requesting that a Capital Project be established for funding the program, and

WHEREAS, the County has undertaken a programmatic environmental review to comply with the provisions of the State Environmental Quality Review Act, 6 NYCRR Part 617 (SEQRA) prior to commencing any work that would result in physical alteration of the sites, and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the provisions of the State Environmental Quality Review Act, 6 NYCRR Part 617 (SEQRA) the project is determined to be an Unlisted Action, and a negative declaration has been prepared, and

WHEREAS, the Criminal Justice and Safety Committee has met and reviewed said request with a majority of the members voting approval, and

WHEREAS, the Public Works and Capital Projects Committee has met and reviewed the project 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 Capital Project will be carried out under the program guidelines set forth in the “Project Description and Additional Information for the SEQRA Long Environmental Assessment Form” approved previously pursuant to Resolution No. 377 dated December 10, 2008, and, be it further

RESOLVED, that Capital Project No. 325 is hereby established and that the 2009 Ulster County Budget is amended as follows:

Resolution No. 145 May 13, 2009

Establishing Capital Project No. 325 - The Greater Catskills Flood Remediation Program – Purchase And Demolition Of Residential Properties Damaged By Devastating Floods In Ulster County Since April 1, 2004 - New York State Housing Trust Fund Corporation, Division Of Housing And Community Renewal- Approval Of The Environmental Review Under The State Environmental Review Act (SEQRA)-Classification Of Project As An Unlisted Action, And Approval Of Negative Declaration – Emergency Communications/ Emergency Management

TRANSFER

<u>FROM</u>		<u>AMOUNT</u>
A4-1331-4553 (App. #)	Contingent Account	\$ 20,000.00

<u>TO</u>		<u>AMOUNT</u>
A4-4650-9006 (App. #)	Transfer to Capital Project Fund Capital Project No. 325 Flood Remediation Program	\$ 20,000.00

	<u>INCREASE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
H4-0325-2901	Land Acquisition	\$1,358,880.00
H4-0325-2902	Site Preparation/Clearing	\$ 525,200.00
H4-0325-2909	SEQRA Review	\$ 22,500.00
H4-0325-2903	Remediation	\$ 10,000.00
H4-0325-2974 (App. #'s)	Administrative Costs	\$ 10,000.00
H3-0325-3997	State Aid, Home & Community	\$1,906,580.00
H3-0325-5031 (Rev. #'s)	Interfund Transfers	\$ 20,000.00

and, be it further

Resolution No. 145 May 13, 2009

Establishing Capital Project No. 325 - The Greater Catskills Flood Remediation Program – Purchase And Demolition Of Residential Properties Damaged By Devastating Floods In Ulster County Since April 1, 2004 - New York State Housing Trust Fund Corporation, Division Of Housing And Community Renewal- Approval Of The Environmental Review Under The State Environmental Review Act (SEQRA)-Classification Of Project As An Unlisted Action, And Approval Of Negative Declaration – Emergency Communications/ Emergency Management

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Ulster County Legislature and/or the County Executive, is/are hereby authorized to execute all contracts, modifications and amendments thereof, that relate to performance by the County pursuant to this project, without need for further resolution, and, be it further

RESOLVED, that if funding for this program is eliminated, the program will be eliminated as well,

and moves its adoption.

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 29 NOES: 0
(Absent: Legislators Aiello, Briggs, Petit and Roberti)

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

\$ 1,926,580.00 – ADDITIONAL CAPITAL APPROPRIATIONS

\$ 1,906,580.00 – ADDITIONAL STATE REVENUE DOLLRS

\$ 20,000.00 – ADDITIONAL COUNTY DOLLARS - BUDGETED

0506

Resolution No. 145 May 13, 2009

Establishing Capital Project No. 325 - The Greater Catskills Flood Remediation Program – Purchase And Demolition Of Residential Properties Damaged By Devastating Floods In Ulster County Since April 1, 2004 - New York State Housing Trust Fund Corporation, Division Of Housing And Community Renewal- Approval Of The Environmental Review Under The State Environmental Review Act (SEQRA)-Classification Of Project As An Unlisted Action, And Approval Of Negative Declaration – Emergency Communications/ Emergency Management

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 13th Day of May, 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 14th Day of May in the year Two Thousand and Nine.

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

Submitted to the County Executive this

14th Day of May, 2009.

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

Approved by the County Executive this

15th Day of May, 2009.

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