

Authorizing The Ulster County Executive Or Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute Contracts And Agreements For The Implementation Of Community Development Block Grants With The New York State Housing Trust Fund Corporation Represented By The Office Of Community Renewal (OCR) – Department Of Planning

The Economic Development and Tourism Committee (Chairman Maloney and Legislators Aiello, Frey, Hayes, Sweeney, Terrizzi, Donaldson, Loughran and Rodriguez) offers the following:

WHEREAS, the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and the New York State Office of Community Renewal have promulgated regulations governing the participation in the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program, and

WHEREAS, the Office of Community Renewal (OCR) administers the CDBG Program with funding allocated from HUD, and

WHEREAS, the Office of Community Renewal has indicated the availability of funding due to Hurricane Irene for disaster declared counties in New York as part of the Agricultural and Community Recovery Fund to match farmers' dollars for the purchase of feed for animals and produce from other New York producers to allow the farms operations to continue, and

WHEREAS, Ulster County has been declared a disaster area for Hurricane Irene and farms within the County have been identified as being eligible for funding, and

WHEREAS, due to the emergency nature of the funding, the application is not required to meet the public outreach requirements for the CDBG Program nor obtain the necessary legislative authorizing resolution, and

WHEREAS, in keeping with the emergency nature of the funding, OCR has revised its timeline requiring both approval of contracts and drawdown of funds to be completed prior to December 31, 2011, and

WHEREAS, the County Executive has submitted an application for funding to OCR for the Agricultural and Community Development Recovery Fund, and

WHEREAS, the activities included in the grant application are unlisted with respect to the State Environmental Quality Review Act (Part 617 NYCRR) and are Categorically Excluded under the National Environmental Policy Review Act (NEPA) (24CFR 58.35), and

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WHEREAS, the Economic Development and Tourism Committee has met and reviewed said request 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 Ulster County Legislature finds that pursuant to Part 617 (SEQRA) of NYCRR, the proposed project will not have a significant impact on the environment, and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Executive or Chairman of the Ulster County Legislature is hereby authorized to execute contracts and agreements, and any amendments thereto, for purposes of effectuating the Agricultural and Community Recovery grant with the New York State Housing Trust Fund Corporation as filed with the Clerk of the Ulster County Legislature, or as modified with the approval of the County Attorney,

and moves its adoption.

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 32 NOES: 0
(Absent: Legislator Hayes)

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

\$ 60,000.00 – ADDITIONAL 2011 FEDERAL REVENUE DOLLARS (STATE
PASS THROUGH)

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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 5th day of December, 2011, 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 6th Day of December in the year Two Thousand and Eleven.

/s/ Karen L. Binder
Karen L. Binder, Clerk
Ulster County Legislature

Submitted to the County Executive this
6th Day of December, 2011.

/s/ Karen L. Binder
Karen L. Binder, Clerk
Ulster County Legislature

Approved by the County Executive this
8th Day of December, 2011.

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