

Amending Capital Project No. 327 – Energy Efficiency And Conservation Project – Reallocation Of Project Funds And Increasing Federal Revenues For Energy Efficiency And Conservation Block Grant – Department Of The Environment

The Governmental Services, Environmental and Administrative Committee (Chairman Roberts and Legislators Belfiglio, Fabiano, Petit, Ronk, Richard Parete, Robert Parete, Rodriguez and Shapiro), and Co-Sponsors: The Public Works and Capital Projects Committee (Chairman Fabiano and Legislators Felicello, Maloney, Roberts, Hochberg, Loughran and Provenzano) offer the following:

WHEREAS, this resolution has been submitted by the County Executive on behalf of the Department of the Environment, and

WHEREAS, the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA) was signed into law February 17, 2009 and allocated \$36.7 billion in funding to the United States Department of Energy, and

WHEREAS, the United States Department of Energy used ARRA funding to fund the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grants (EECBG) Program with the express goal of helping state, county and other municipal governments reduce energy use and fossil fuel emissions and to improve energy efficiency, and

WHEREAS, Ulster County was allotted \$754,400.00 in federal funds under the EECBG program on March 17, 2009, and

WHEREAS, in Resolution No. 322, dated November 10, 2009, Ulster County Capital Project No. 327 was approved for \$923,650.00, using EECBG federal funds in the amount of \$690,000.00, and state funds in the amount of \$221,425.00, and included the following activities: comprehensive energy audits of Ulster County buildings, a solar photovoltaic system on the Ulster County Highway Department substation in New Paltz, and an outdoor lighting retrofit, and

WHEREAS, the solar photovoltaic component was budgeted for a federal contribution of \$192,500.00 and was completed under budget for \$93,923.00, leaving an allocation of unspent federal funds of \$98,577.00, and

WHEREAS, a new building energy efficiency improvement component is recommended for reallocation of the \$98,577.00 unexpended federal funds along with \$25,423.00 of other unexpended EECBG federal funds, to be used for building energy efficiency improvements at a cost of \$124,000, and

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WHEREAS, it is requested that Capital Project No. 327 be amended to increase construction in the amount of \$16,973.00 and engineering in the amount of \$8,450.00 from federal EECBG funds and reallocate \$98,577.00 unexpended solar photovoltaic component to be used for building energy efficiency improvements, and

WHEREAS, the total federal share of these projects, including the new component, will be increased from \$690,000.00 to \$715,423.00, and

WHEREAS, the proposed project constitutes a Type II action under sections 2.1, 2.2, and 2.27 of the County of Ulster's State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) Type II List that was adopted in Resolution No. 118 on April 20, 2010, and

WHEREAS, Ulster County determines that this action does not pose a significant potential environmental impact and may be progressed as a Type II action in accordance with 6 NYCRR Part 617 of SEQRA, and

WHEREAS, all documents required under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) were submitted and approved, and Ulster County has no further responsibilities in relation to NEPA, and

WHEREAS, the Governmental Services, Environmental and Administrative Committee has met and reviewed said request with a majority of its members voting approval, and

WHEREAS, the Public Works and Capital Projects Committee has met and reviewed said request with a majority of its members voting approval, and

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

RESOLVED, that the Ulster County Capital Project Fund Budget is hereby amended as follows:

	<u>INCREASE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
H4-0327-2911	Construction	\$ 16,973.00
H4-0327-2962 (App. #'s)	Engineering Services	\$ 8,450.00

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H3-0327-4097 FA, General Government Projects \$ 25,423.00
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and move its adoption.

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

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

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

\$ 25,423.00 – ADDITIONAL 2010 APPROPRIATION DOLLARS

\$ 25,423.00 – ADDITIONAL 2010 FEDERAL REVENUE 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 16th day of November, 2010, 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 18th Day of November in the year Two Thousand and Ten.

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

Submitted to the County Executive this
18th Day of November, 2010.

Approved by the County Executive this
23rd Day of November, 2010.

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

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