

Authorizing Submission Of An Application For A State Assistance Contract With The New York State Department of State And The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation For The Brownfield Opportunity Areas Program – Department Of Planning

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

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

WHEREAS, the New York State Department of State and the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation have entered into a collaborative effort to work in partnership with local communities, governments, and not-for-profits to form regional coalition projects as part of a Brownfield Opportunity Areas Program (the “Program”), and

WHEREAS, the Brownfield Opportunity Areas Program provides municipalities and community organizations with assistance to complete revitalization plans and implementation strategies for areas affected by brownfield sites, and

WHEREAS, funding preferences shall be given to applications for such assistance that relate to areas with brownfield sites presenting strategic opportunities to stimulate economic development, community revitalization, or the siting of public amenities, and

WHEREAS, the Ulster County Planning Department has identified a county-wide pre-nomination plan that includes an inventory of underutilized sites as an eligible activity under the New York State Brownfield Opportunity Areas Program (the “Project”) and has prepared a draft application requesting \$245,000.00 in total funding for the Project, with a \$24,500.00 (or ten percent of the total project) contribution as a match for the local matching share, and

WHEREAS, the Ulster County Planning Department has determined that the Project will generate economic and environmental benefits for the community, as described in its application and attachments thereto, is desirable, and is in the public interest and benefit, and

WHEREAS, §970-r of the General Municipal Law authorizes State assistance to eligible parties for the Program grants by means of a State Assistance Contract (SAC), and

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WHEREAS, the application for this Project and the resulting State Assistance Contract (SAC) require the signature of the “Chief Elected Official” of the County, and

WHEREAS, the Economic Development and Tourism Committee has met and reviewed said request with a majority of the members voting approval, and

WHEREAS, the Governmental Services and Administration 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 Executive is hereby authorized to execute such application, the related contract, any amendments thereto, and such other documents as may be necessary to carry out the Project, with the NYS Department of State and the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation, in the amount of \$245,000, for the NYS Brownfield Opportunity Areas Program, in the form 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: 31 NOES: 0
(Absent: Legislators Felicello and Shapiro)

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

\$220,500.00 – STATE REVENUE DOLLARS

\$ 24,500.00 – LOCAL BUDGETED IN-KIND SERVICES

\$245,000.00 - TOTAL PROGRAM COSTS

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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 15th day of March, 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 18th Day of March in the year Two Thousand and Eleven.

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

Submitted to the County Executive this

18th Day of March, 2011.

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

Approved by the County Executive this

22nd Day of March, 2011.

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