

Authorizing The Ulster County Executive To Execute Contracts And Agreements To Accept And Implement Community Development Block Grants With The New York State Housing Trust Fund Corporation, Represented By The Office Of Community Renewal (OCR) New York State Agricultural And Community Recovery Fund – Amending The 2012 Ulster County Budget – Department Of Planning

Referred to: The Laws and Rules, Governmental Services Committee (Chairman Roberts and Legislators Fabiano, Maio, Ronk, Donaldson, Loughran and Robert Parete) and The Ways and Means Committee (Chairman Gerentine and Legislators Harris, Maio, Maloney, Gregorius, Provenzano and Rodriguez)

Legislator Kevin Roberts, Chairman of the Laws and Rules, Governmental Services Committee, Legislator James Maloney, Chairman of the Economic Development and Tourism Committee and Legislator Richard Gerentine, Chairman of the Ways and Means Committee offer 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 New York State Community Development Block Grant (NYSCDBG) and the New York Main Street Program (NYSMS), and

WHEREAS, the Office of Community Renewal (OCR) administers the CDBG Program (CFDA # 14.228) with funding allocated from HUD, and

WHEREAS, the Office of Community Renewal has indicated the availability of NYSCDBG Imminent Threat funding for counties in New York that were, subsequent to Hurricane Irene, declared to be disaster declared areas, and

WHEREAS, the Agricultural and Community Recovery Fund (ACRF) can utilize these monies to provide assistance to businesses in targeted main street settings that have non-structural losses including equipment and loss of inventory so as to allow business operations to continue, and

WHEREAS, Ulster County was declared a disaster area after Hurricane Irene, and targeted main street areas within the County with damaged businesses 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

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WHEREAS, in keeping with the emergency nature of the funding, OCR is requesting an expedited timeline for both the approval of contracts and the drawdown of funds, and

WHEREAS, the County Executive has submitted an application for funding to OCR for the Agricultural and Community Development Recovery Fund that would utilize CDBG program funds as a source of funding, and

WHEREAS, the OCR has notified the County of a grant award of 293,112.00 for business assistance designated as Project No. 1160IT176-11, utilizing CDBG funds, and

WHEREAS, the activities included in the grant application are Type II 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), 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, pursuant to the grant award letter, is hereby authorized to execute contracts and agreements, and any amendments thereto, for purposes of effectuating the Agricultural and Community Recovery Fund Main Street Assistance 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 be it further

RESOLVED, that the 2012 Ulster County Budget is hereby amended as follows:

	<u>INCREASE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
B3-3753-4910 (Rev. #)	Federal Aid, Community Development	\$293,112.00

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B4-3753-4669	Other Home & Community Service Programs	\$248,400.00
B4-3753-4553	Other Miscellaneous Contractual	\$ 40,712.00
B4-3753-9001 (App. #'s)	Transfer to General Fund	\$ 4,000.00

and move its adoption.

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 22 NOES: 0
(Absent: Legislator Roberts)

Passed Committee: Laws and Rules, Governmental Services Committee on March 19, 2012

Passed Committee: Ways and Means Committee on March 20, 2012

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

\$293,112.00 – ADDITIONAL 2012 FEDERAL REVENUE DOLLARS (STATE PASS THROUGH)

\$293,112.00 – ADDITIONAL 2012 APPROPRIATION 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 20th day of March, 2012, 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 22nd Day of March in the year Two Thousand and Twelve.

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

Submitted to the County Executive this

22nd Day of March, 2012.

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

Approved by the County Executive this

29th Day of March, 2012.

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