

**Authorizing The County Executive To Execute Contracts And Agreements To Accept And Implement New York State Main Street (NYSMS) Grants, With The New York State Housing Trust Fund Corporation, Represented By The Office Of Community Renewal (OCR), In Relation To The 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 New York State Office of Community Renewal has promulgated regulations governing participation in the New York State Main Street Program (NYSMS), and

WHEREAS, the Office of Community Renewal (OCR) administers the NYSMS Program with funding allocated by New York State, and

WHEREAS, the Office of Community Renewal has indicated the availability of funding for counties in New York that were, subsequent to Hurricane Irene, declared to be disaster 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 suffered structural damages to their buildings, 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 whose businesses have been identified as being eligible for funding, and

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 Recovery Fund Main Street Business Assistance Grant, and

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WHEREAS, the OCR has notified the County of a grant award of \$270,400.00 for business assistance designated as Project No. SHARS #20120008, utilizing NYSMS 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 Business Assistance Grant with the New York State Housing Trust Fund Corporation, in the form 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>
A3-3400-3989	State Aid, Other Home & Community Services	\$270,470.00
A4-3400-4669	Other Home & Community Service Programs	\$251,600.00
A4-3400-4553 (App. #'s)	Other Miscellaneous Contractual	\$ 18,870.00

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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:

\$270,470.00 – ADDITIONAL 2012 STATE REVENUE DOLLARS

\$270,470.00 – ADDITIONAL 2012 APPROPRIATION DOLLARS

\$ 0.00 – NET COUNTY BUDGET IMPACT

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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 20<sup>th</sup> 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 22<sup>nd</sup> 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  
22<sup>nd</sup> Day of March, 2012.

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

Approved by the County Executive this  
29<sup>th</sup> Day of March, 2012.

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