

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING PURSUANT TO THE
EMINENT DOMAIN PROCEDURE LAW

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that, in accordance with Article 2, Section 202 of the New York State Eminent Domain Procedure Law (“EDPL”), notice is hereby given of a public hearing for a proposed public project (PIN 8758.04) to construct the Kingston Rail Trail, to be held on Tuesday, December 11, 2018 at 6:10 P.M. in the Legislative Chambers, 6th Floor, Ulster County Office Building, 244 Fair Street, Kingston, New York 12401.

The purpose of this meeting is to outline the project purpose, proposed location, project status and other pertinent information concerning the project, including maps and property descriptions of adjacent parcels and the properties to be acquired. The project is located in the City of Kingston, Town of Ulster and Town of Hurley in Ulster County, NY. The project proposes to connect the O&W (Hurley) Rail Trail along U.S. Route 209 eastward to Washington Avenue in the City of Kingston following the general alignment of the abandoned Ontario & Western Railway right-of-way. The proposed public project is a non-motorized share-use path, 10 ft. wide with an asphalt surface running a length of approximately 1.8 miles.

Persons may appear in person or by agent and will be given the opportunity to present oral or written statements and to submit other documents concerning PIN 8758.04, the Kingston Rail Trail project.

The project will require public acquisition of property. This public hearing is being held to comply with the requirements of the Federal Highway Administration and Sections 201 and 202 of the EDPL. Ulster County will attempt to acquire necessary property through offers of Fair Market Value. In the event this process is unsuccessful, acquisition of property by Eminent Domain may be necessary to complete the project.

Any property owners who may subsequently wish to challenge the condemnation of their property by judicial review may do so only on the basis of issues, facts, and objections raised at the hearing.

Further information on the project may be obtained by contacting Christopher White, Deputy Director of the Ulster County Planning Department, with offices at 244 Fair Street, Kingston, NY 12401 or (845) 340-3338. Please advise this office no later than December 5, 2018 if a sign language interpreter, assistive listening system or any other accommodation will be required to facilitate your participation in the public hearing.

Dated: November 29, 2018
Kingston, NY

Victoria A. Fabella, Clerk
Ulster County Legislature