

Declaring Ulster County's Intent To Act As Lead Agency Under New York State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) For The Purpose Of Constructing A Solar Project To Provide Power To Government Operations Located At Paradies Lane In New Paltz — Department Of Public Works

Referred to: The Laws, Rules and Government Services Committee (Chairman Kovacs and Legislators Gavaris, Hansut, Harmon, Kitchen, Levine, and Uchitelle)

Chair of the Legislature, Peter J. Criswell, offers the following:

WHEREAS, this resolution has been submitted at the request of the County Executive on behalf of the Department of Public Works; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. 444 of October 2021, Capital Project 607 was established for the development of a Government Operations Center to include the County's E-911 ("PSAP") and Emergency Operations Center now referred to as the Emergency Communication Center (the "ECC"); and

WHEREAS, the County desires to incorporate the use of ground mounted solar (the "Project") on the lands owned by the County at the ECC site to provide power to the ECC that allows the facility to meet its energy needs from renewable energy; and

WHEREAS, the location and design of the ground mounted solar was not included in New York State Environmental Review Act (SEQRA) Negative Declaration adopted and issued by the County Legislature for the ECC pursuant to Resolution No 632 of December 2024; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that pursuant to 6 NYCRR Part 617.6(b) (3) of the Regulations pertaining to Article 8 of the Environmental Conservation Law of New York State (SEQRA), the Ulster County Legislature hereby declares its intent to serve as Lead Agency for the above-referenced project; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Ulster County Legislature has determined, after review of the criteria contained in 6 NYCRR Parts 617.4 and 617.5, that the project is an Unlisted Action; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Ulster County Legislature will conduct a coordinated review and circulate its Notice of Intent to serve as Lead Agency, together with the SEAF and accompanying documentation to all interested and involved agencies pursuant to 6 NYCRR Part 617.6(b) (2) (i) and 6 NYCRR Part 617.6(b) (3); and, be it further

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RESOLVED, that pursuant to 6 NYCRR Part 617.6(b) (3), at the conclusion of an otherwise unchallenged thirty (30) day period following the date of transmittal of the Notice of Intent, the EAF and documentation aforesaid to the interested agencies, the Legislature shall become the Lead Agency under SEQRA for this project,

and moves its adoption.

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES:

NOES:

Passed Committee: Laws, Rules and Government Services on _____.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

NONE