

**Resolution No. 13     January 22, 2013**

**Authorizing The Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Agreement With The New York State Office Of Emergency Management To Develop A Multi-Jurisdictional Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan That Complies With Federal Emergency Management Agency Requirements, And Amending The 2013 Ulster County Budget – Emergency Communications / Emergency Management**

Referred to: The Law Enforcement and Public Safety Committee (Chairman Parete and Legislators Belfiglio, Ronk, Briggs and Maio) and the Ways and Means Committee (Chairman Gerentine and Legislators Harris, Maio, Maloney, Gregorius, Provenzano & Rodriguez)

Chairman of the Law Enforcement and Public Safety Committee, Richard A. Parete, and Deputy Chairman Kenneth Ronk offer the following:

WHEREAS, this resolution has been submitted by the County Executive on behalf of the Ulster County Department of Emergency Communications / Emergency Management; and

WHEREAS, Ulster County and its municipalities have experienced multiple federally declared disasters in the past several years; and

WHEREAS, these disasters have caused a hardship on the residents as well as local governments of the affected areas; and

WHEREAS, an effective multi-hazard mitigation plan allows municipalities to conduct risk assessments to identify and prioritize appropriate mitigation actions to reduce losses from identified hazards; and

WHEREAS, local governments must have a mitigation plan approved by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) in order to receive funds from the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) (CFDA# 97.039); and

WHEREAS, it is a complex, costly and time consuming endeavor for each municipality to draft a multi-hazard mitigation plan; and

WHEREAS, in 2007-2009 the Ulster County Emergency Management Office coordinated the first Ulster County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan (the ‘Plan’) with the participation of twelve municipalities; and

WHEREAS, the Plan is due for renewal in the five year planning cycle established by FEMA, and thus affords a new opportunity for all municipalities within the County to participate in this planning effort; and

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WHEREAS, the Ulster County Emergency Management Office has applied for and has been awarded federal pass-through funds in the amount of \$150,000.00, which is 75% of the estimated total cost of development of a new plan; and

WHEREAS, the total cost of plan development is not to exceed \$200,000.00 which includes a 25% County contribution which shall be met with in-kind services such as labor costs; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Ulster County Legislature is hereby authorized to execute an Agreement, and any amendments thereto, with the New York State Office of Emergency Management for participation in the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program for the term September 19, 2012 to March 19, 2015, 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 2013 Ulster County Budget is hereby amended as follows:

<b><u>Increase</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
A4-1800-4521 Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan (App.#)	\$150,000.00
A3-1800-4960 FA, Emergency Disaster Assistance (Rev.#)	\$150,000.00

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RESOLVED, that if funding for this program is eliminated, the program will be eliminated as well,

and move its adoption.

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 22            NOES: 0  
(Absent: Legislator Harris)  
(Legislator Richard Parete arrived at 7:13 PM)

Passed Committee: Law Enforcement and Public Safety on January 8, 2013

Passed Committee: Ways and Means on January 15, 2013

FINANCIAL IMPACT

\$150,000.00 – ADDITIONAL 2013 FEDERAL REVENUE DOLLARS (STATE PASS THROUGH)

\$150,000.00 – ADDITIONAL 2013 APPROPRIATION DOLLARS

\$ 50,000.00 – COUNTY DOLLARS (IN-KIND SERVICES - LABOR)

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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 22<sup>nd</sup> Day of January, 2013, 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 23<sup>rd</sup> Day of January in the year Two Thousand and Thirteen.

|s| Victoria A. Fabella  
Victoria A. Fabella, Clerk  
Ulster County Legislature

Submitted to the County Executive this  
23<sup>rd</sup> Day of January, 2013.

Approved by the County Executive this  
28<sup>th</sup> Day of January, 2013.

|s| Victoria A. Fabella  
Victoria A. Fabella, Clerk  
Ulster County Legislature

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