

**Adopting And Issuing A Negative Declaration Under 6 NYCRR Part 617 State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) By The Ulster County Legislature For The Inclusion Of The Priority Strategies to Support Housing Development in Ulster County As An Element Of Ulster County's Comprehensive Plan Consistent With Article 12-b Of The General Municipal Law – Planning**

The Economic Development, Housing, Planning and Transit Committee (Chairman Rodriguez and Legislators Bischoff, Loughran, Sheeley, Harris, Roberti and Terrizzi) offers the following:

WHEREAS, the Ulster County Legislature finds that a healthy housing mix that provides for choice of housing by tenure, type and affordability is essential for successful economic development efforts, the quality of life of its residents, and meeting the needs of both present and future generations, and

WHEREAS, the Ulster County Housing Consortium in working with the Ulster County Planning Board have completed the Priority Strategies to Support Housing Development in Ulster County in consultation with, local governments, interested agencies, and other stakeholders, and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. 260 dated July 12, 2006, the Ulster County Legislature determined that the adoption of the Priority Strategies to Support Housing Development in Ulster County was a Type I Action under 6 NYCRR Part 617 State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA), established that it was the only involved agency, declared itself lead agency for the purposes of conducting the necessary environmental review, provided for notices to be circulated consistent with both SEQRA and Article 12-b of General Municipal Law, and directed that public informational sessions on the Priority Strategies to Support Housing Development in Ulster County be conducted around the County, and

WHEREAS, informational and public comment meetings were held in Saugerties, Ellenville, Marlborough, and New Paltz, and

WHEREAS, the Ulster County Legislature, on Wednesday, June 4, 2008, conducted a duly noticed public hearing on the Priority Strategies to Support Housing Development in Ulster County in Kingston, New York, and

WHEREAS, the Priority Strategies to Support Housing Development in Ulster County, public comments, full Environmental Assessment Form (EAF) and other materials associated with the Priority Strategies to Support Housing Development in Ulster County have been filed with the Clerk of the Ulster County Legislature, and

WHEREAS, in consideration of all of the foregoing, the Ulster County Legislature, as Lead Agency and as the only Involved Agency under SEQRA, has

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considered the materials filed with the Clerk of the Ulster County Legislature, and has consulted with its advisors in examination of the potential environmental effects of the County's adoption of the Priority Strategies to Support Housing Development in Ulster County, and

RESOLVED, that in consideration of the record had herein, the Ulster County Legislature finds that adoption of the Priority Strategies to Support Housing Development in Ulster County consistent with the provisions of Article 12-b of the General Municipal Law will not have significant impact on the environment and hereby issues a SEQRA Negative Declaration of Environmental Significance upon the above entitled Action, and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the Ulster County Legislature is directed to file this notice with the appropriate agencies as required by law,

and moves its adoption.

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 29                      NOES: 0  
(Absent: Legislators Briggs, Dart, Kraft and  
Stoekeler)

FINANCIAL IMPACT:  
NONE

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