

**Adopting An Updated Procurement Manual Pursuant To General Municipal Law Section 104-b – Department Of Purchasing**

Referred to: The Ways and Means Committee (Chairman Gerentine and Legislators Bartels, Belfiglio, Briggs, Maio, Maloney, Provenzano, and Rodriguez)

Chairman of the Ways and Means Committee, Richard A. Gerentine, and Deputy Chairman Tracey A. Bartels offer the following:

WHEREAS, this resolution has been submitted by the County Executive on behalf of the Department of Purchasing; and

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 66 of March 12, 1992, adopted the Policies and Procedures for the Ulster County Purchasing Department in accordance with Sections 103 and 104-b of New York's General Municipal Law; and

WHEREAS, the Policies and Procedures were revised pursuant to Resolution No. 93 of March 9, 2000; and

WHEREAS, the Policies and Procedures were further revised and adopted pursuant to Resolution No. 365 of December 16, 2009; and

WHEREAS, it remains Ulster County's objective to obtain materials, supplies, equipment, technology, and services that are of suitable quality, in the accurate quantity, from the right source, at the most competitive price, in compliance with all applicable legal requirements ensuring that taxpayer dollars are expended in the most efficient manner and in accordance with the County's Policies and Procedures; and

WHEREAS, the New York State Legislature has updated Sections 103 and 104-b of New York's General Municipal Law to allow municipalities to award bids on the basis of "Best Value", accept electronic bidding, and purchase goods through national and regional cooperative purchasing contracts; and

WHEREAS, the Ulster County Department of Purchasing, in conjunction with the Ulster County Attorney's Office, has revised its Policies and Procedures to provide County Officials and employees along with the County's business partners, a more comprehensive and user-friendly Procurement Manual; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Ulster County Legislature hereby adopts the updated Policies and Procedures of the Ulster County Department of Purchasing as set forth in the Procurement Manual,

and move its adoption.

