

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN EARLY VOTING SITE

At a meeting of the Town Board of the Town of New Paltz, Ulster County, New York, held at the Town Courthouse, 23 Plattekill Ave., in New Paltz, New York, in said Town on the 16th day of May, 2019, at _____ o'clock P.M., prevailing time.

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Bettez, and upon roll being called, the following roll was taken:

	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
Supervisor Neil Bettez	_____	_____
Council Member Daniel Torres	_____	_____
Council Member David Brownstein	_____	_____
Council Member Marty Irwin	_____	_____
Council Member Julie Seyfert-Lillis	_____	_____

WHEREAS, the New York State Legislature adopted early voting in January of 2019 in an effort to enhance voter participation and;

WHEREAS, the New York State Board of Elections has received funding to allocate to counties based on the number of early voting locations and voter enrollment to assist with the implementation of early voting and;

WHEREAS, the Early Voting Law requires designation of poll sites to consider criteria such as population density, travel time to early voting location from the voter place of residence; whether the early voting site is on or near public transportation routes and commuter traffic patterns and;

WHEREAS, New Paltz is the second most populated town per voter in Ulster County and; Whereas, New Paltz is in proximity to the NYS Thruway, Route 32 and Route 9W and; Whereas, New Paltz is connected to more routes of public transportation than another other township in Ulster County and;

WHEREAS, SUNY New Paltz has offered the use of the Student Union Building at no cost to the Board of Elections and;

WHEREAS, the Ulster County Board of Elections has identified the need for seven early voting locations with one proposal to include an early voting site at SUNY New Paltz and;

WHEREAS, the Ulster County Board of Election Commissioners have submitted proposals to one another but disagree on exact voting locations at this time;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the New Paltz Town Board supports efforts to include SUNY New Paltz as an early voting location in order to enhance voter participation of local residents.

	<u>VOTE</u>	<u>AYE</u>	<u>NAY</u>	<u>ABSTAIN</u>
Supervisor Neil Bettez	_____	_____	_____	_____
Council Member Daniel Torres	_____	_____	_____	_____
Council Member David Brownstein	_____	_____	_____	_____
Council Member Marty Irwin	_____	_____	_____	_____
Council Member Julie Seyfert-Lillis	_____	_____	_____	_____

The resolution was thereupon duly adopted.