



Resolution Number ____ of 2018

URGING the Ulster County Public Works Department to lower the speed limit on Old Route 299, between North Ohioville Rd and Plutarch Road in the Town of New Paltz from 35 mph to 30 mph.

WHEREAS, In New York State, the statutory speed limit on all roads is 55 mph and the New York State Department of Transportation (NYSDOT) has the authority to establish speed limits on state highways, county, and town roads.

WHEREAS, Old Route 299, between North Ohioville Road and Plutarch Road in the Town of New Paltz is a residential street, and

WHEREAS, due to increased traffic and construction on State Route 299, Old Route 299 is increasingly used by vehicles as a cut-through to avoid these obstacles, often driving at unsafe speeds, and

WHEREAS, this vehicular traffic presents a hazard to residents who wish to walk, bike, jog, or enjoy outdoor recreation in their own neighborhood, and

WHEREAS, a residential area speed limit of 30 mph is already posted for North Ohioville Rd, intersecting Old Route 299 at its west end, so a reduction in speed would bring Old Route 299 into alignment with this neighboring road, and

WHEREAS, proposed rezoning for the Route 299 Gateway Area supports walkability, which current conditions do not support, and

WHEREAS, a traffic study completed by Resource Systems Group, Inc in 2006 as a part of the Town of New Paltz Transportation-Land Use Project observed deficiencies at the Route 299/Ohioville Road intersection, in regard to the absence of crosswalks or pedestrian signals,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Clerk is authorized to 1) transmit this resolution to the County Commissioner of Public Works of the County of Ulster, asking the New York State Department of Transportation to install crosswalks at the intersection of North Ohioville Rd and Old Route 299, and establish a lower maximum speed of 30 mph on Old Route 299, a Town Road between N. Ohioville Rd. and Plutarch Rd., pursuant to Section 1622.1 of the Vehicle and Traffic Law, 2) complete a NYSDOT TE9(a) form for submission

VOTE

	Aye	Nay	Absent
Supervisor Neil Bettez	_____	_____	_____
Council Member Dan Torres	_____	_____	_____
Council Member David Brownstein	_____	_____	_____
Council Member Marty Irwin	_____	_____	_____
Council Member Julie Seyfert-Lillis	_____	_____	_____

The Resolution was thereupon duly adopted. / rejected