

JOINT RESOLUTION

In Support of the Ulster County Legislature Resolution No. 229

Requesting The New York State Legislature Introduce Legislation Amending General Municipal Law And The Tax Law, In Relation To Including The County Of Ulster Within The Definition Of A “Designated Community” Under The Hudson Valley Community Preservation Act Of 2007

At a meeting of the Town and Village Boards of the Town and Village 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 6th day of June, 2019, at 7 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:

	PRESENT	ABSENT
Supervisor Neil Bettez	_____	_____
Deputy Supervisor Daniel Torres	_____	_____
Council Member David Brownstein	_____	_____
Council Member Marty Irwin	_____	_____
Council Member Julie Seyfert-Lillis	_____	_____
Mayor Tim Rogers	_____	_____
Deputy Mayor KT Tobin	_____	_____
Council Member William Murray	_____	_____
Council Member Alexandra Wojcik	_____	_____
Council Member Michelle Zipp	_____	_____

WHEREAS, if passed by the State Legislature, any community in Ulster County would be granted authority to establish a community preservation fund (CPF) through levying a real estate transfer tax, and

WHEREAS, Such funds have been used by communities to leverage outside funding sources and preserve thousands of acres of land through acquisition and easement from willing landowners, and

WHEREAS, the limitations imposed by the tax cap significantly hinder the use of local open space bonds, and

WHEREAS, this is a very important potential source of revenue to fund open space preservation at the local level,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Town and Village of New Paltz support the Ulster County Legislature’s Resolution Number 229, requesting that The New York State Legislature introduce legislation amending General Municipal Law and The Tax Law, in relation to including the County of Ulster within the definition of a “Designated Community” under the Hudson Valley Community Preservation Act Of 2007, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the New Paltz Town Clerk is hereby directed to provide a copy of this resolution to Senator Jennifer Metzger and State Assemblyman Kevin A. Cahill to express the Town and Village’s support for the CPF-enabling legislation.

VOTE

Supervisor Neil Bettez
 Deputy Supervisor Daniel Torres
 Council Member David Brownstein
 Council Member Marty Irwin
 Council Member Julie Seyfert-Lillis
 Mayor Tim Rogers
 Deputy Mayor KT Tobin
 Council Member William Murray
 Council Member Alexandra Wojcik
 Council Member Michelle Zipp

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ABSTAIN

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ADOPTED by the Town and Village Boards of the Town and Village of New Paltz, this _____ day of _____, 2019.

Neil Bettez, Town Supervisor

Tim Rogers, Village Mayor

Approved as to form: Attest:

Joseph Moriello, Esq. Town Attorney

Rosanna Mazzaccari Rosenkranse,
Town Clerk