# PROPOSED RULE 11 ALBANY COUNTY LEGISLATURE

**DECEMBER 21, 2021** 

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 554**

DESIGNATING A CERTIFYING OFFICER REGARDING THE NEW YORK STATE HOMES AND COMMUNITY RENEWAL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM

Introduced: 12/21/21

By Audit and Finance Committee:

WHEREAS, By Resolution No. 489 for 2021, this Honorable Body authorized an agreement with New York State Homes and Community Renewal regarding the acceptance of Community Development Block Grant Program funding in the amount of \$1,389,890 for a term commencing immediately and ending November 10, 2022, and

WHEREAS, The proposed project, NYS CDBG Project #8CVHR33-21 is subject to the requirements of State Environmental Quality Review (SEQR) pursuant to 6 NYCRR 617, and

WHEREAS, The County Executive has requested that a Certifying Officer be named for the purposes of overseeing SEQR requirements related to these projects, and

WHEREAS, This Honorable Body has relied on the assistance and expertise of the Albany County Department of Economic Development, Conservation and Planning's Senior Natural Resource Planner in for many years on matters related to SEQR, to make certain that all appropriate steps are taken regarding various proposals, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, By the Albany County Legislature that Laura Degaetano, Senior Natural Resource Planner is hereby designated as the Certifying Officer, responsible for all activities associated with the environmental review process to be completed in conjunction with NYS CDBG Project #8CVHR33-21; and be it further

RESOLVED, That for the purposes of the NYS Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA), NYS CDBG Project #8CVHR33-21 is a Type II action, with no further review required under NYS regulations; and be it

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the County Legislature is directed to forward certified copies of this resolution to the appropriate County Officials.



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COUNTY EXECUTIVE

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DANIEL C. LYNCH, ESQ. DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE

December 16, 2021

Honorable Andrew Joyce, Chairman Albany County Legislature 112 State Street, Room 710 Albany, New York 12207

Dear Chairman Joyce:

The Office of the County Executive is requesting that the Legislature designate Laura DeGaetano as 'Certifying Officer' for environmental reviews for the County's Community Development Block Grant (NYS CDBG) Project. On December 6, 2021, the County Legislature authorized the County to enter into a contract with New York State Office of Homes and Community Renewal (NYSHCR) for \$1,389,890 in NYS CDBG CARES funds (Resolution 489 of 2021). NYSHCR requires all CDBG recipients to designate a Certifying Officer and certify to their responsibility for acting as the Responsible Entity for conducting environmental reviews prior to the drawdown of project funds.

The Certifying Officer may be the chief elected official or a designated representative who has the authority and is capable of assuring compliance with all environmental requirements. Given Ms. DeGaetano's role and experience with the County environmental review process, she is the appropriate person to serve as this designee. Sample resolution language is attached for review.

Sincerely

cc:

Daniel P. McCoy

Albany County Executive

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Hon. Dennis Feeney, Majority Leader Hon. Frank Mauriello, Minority Leader Rebekah Kennedy, Majority Counsel

Arnis Zilgme, Minority Counsel



## County of Albany

Harold L. Joyce Albany County Office Building 112 State Street - Albany, NY 12207

## Legislation Text

File #: TMP-2999, Version: 1		
REQUEST FOR LEGISLATIVE ACTION	N	
<b>Description (e.g., Contract Authorizat</b> Request to Designate a Certifying Office Development Block Grant Programs	ion for Information Services): or for Environmental Review of County Community	
Date:	12/16/2021	
Submitted By:	Lucas Rogers	
Department:	Office of the County Executive	
Title:	Analyst	
Phone:	518-447-5566	
Department Rep.		
Attending Meeting:	Lucas Rogers	
Purpose of Request:		
<ul> <li>□ Adopting of Local Law</li> <li>□ Amendment of Prior Legislation</li> <li>☑ Approval/Adoption of Plan/Procedure</li> <li>□ Bond Approval</li> <li>□ Budget Amendment</li> <li>□ Contract Authorization</li> <li>□ Countywide Services</li> <li>☑ Environmental Impact/SEQR</li> <li>□ Home Rule Request</li> <li>□ Property Conveyance</li> <li>□ Other: (state if not listed)</li> </ul>	Click or tap here to enter text.	
CONCERNING BUDGET AMENDMEN	<u>rs</u>	
Increase/decrease category (choose a □ Contractual □ Equipment □ Fringe □ Personnel	all that apply):	

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☐ Personnel Non-Individual ☐ Revenue		
Increase Account/Line No.: Source of Funds: Title Change:	Click or tap here to enter text. Click or tap here to enter text. Click or tap here to enter text.	
CONCERNING CONTRACT AUTHORI	ZATIONS	
Type of Contract:  ☐ Change Order/Contract Amendment ☐ Purchase (Equipment/Supplies) ☐ Lease (Equipment/Supplies) ☐ Requirements ☐ Professional Services ☐ Education/Training ☐ Grant Choose an item.		
Submission Date Deadline Click  ☐ Settlement of a Claim ☐ Release of Liability ☐ Other: (state if not listed)	or tap to enter a date.  Click or tap here to enter text.	
Contract Terms/Conditions:		
Party (Name/address): Click or tap here to enter text.		
Additional Parties (Names/addresses): Click or tap here to enter text.		
Amount/Raise Schedule/Fee: Scope of Services:	Click or tap here to enter text. Click or tap here to enter text.	
Bond Res. No.: Date of Adoption:	Click or tap here to enter text. Click or tap here to enter text.	
CONCERNING ALL REQUESTS		
Mandated Program/Service: If Mandated Cite Authority:	Yes ⊠ No □ Click or tap here to enter text.	
Is there a Fiscal Impact: Anticipated in Current Budget:	Yes □ No □	

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County Budget Accounts:

Revenue Account and Line:

Revenue Amount:

Click or tap here to enter text.

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Appropriation Account and Line:

Appropriation Amount:

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Source of Funding - (Percentages)

Federal: State: County: Local:

Click or tap here to enter text. Click or tap here to enter text. Click or tap here to enter text. Click or tap here to enter text.

<u>Term</u>

Term: (Start and end date)

Length of Contract:

Click or tap here to enter text. Click or tap here to enter text.

Impact on Pending Litigation

If yes, explain:

Yes ☐ No ☒

Click or tap here to enter text.

Previous requests for Identical or Similar Action:

Resolution/Law Number:

Click or tap here to enter text.

Date of Adoption:

Click or tap here to enter text.

## <u>Justification</u>: (state briefly why legislative action is requested)

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Sec	1. Director of is designated as the Certifying Officer responsible for all activities associated with the environmental review process to be completed in conjunction with NYS CDBG Project number
Sec	<ol> <li>That this resolution shall take effect immediately.</li> </ol>
MC	FION for adoption of this resolution by Councilperson Seconded by Councilperson
Dis	ussion:
VO	Councilperson Aye Councilperson Aye Councilperson Aye Councilperson Aye Councilperson Aye Supervisor Aye
Sub	nitted – August 24, 2021 Adopted
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	, Town Clerk

### **RESOLUTION NO. 489**

AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH NEW YORK STATE HOMES AND COMMUNITY RENEWAL TO RECEIVE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT CARES ACT FUNDS

Introduced: 12/6/21

By Audit and Finance Committee:

WHEREAS, By Resolution No. 266 for 2021, this Honorable Body held a public hearing on two applications for funding under the Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG) regarding programs for Albany County, and

WHEREAS, The County Executive has indicated that the New York State Homes and Community Renewal, which is administering the Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG), has awarded Albany County a total of \$1,389,890 under the program for a term commencing immediately and ending November 10, 2022, and

WHEREAS, The program will fund \$1,000,000 in renovations in the City of Albany, to be administered by the Albany County Land Bank Corporation for parcels in need of improvements for which other funds were not available, and

WHEREAS, The program will further fund \$389,890 in supports for mental health services in underserved areas of Albany County, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, By the Albany County Legislature that the County Executive is authorized to enter into an agreement with New York State Homes and Community Renewal regarding the acceptance of Community Development Block Grant Program funding in the amount of \$1,389,890 for a term commencing immediately and ending November 10, 2022, and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the County Attorney is authorized to approve said agreement as to form and content, and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the County Legislature is directed to forward certified copies of this resolution to the appropriate County Officials.