

County of Albany

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



Meeting Agenda

Tuesday, March 1, 2022

6:00 PM

Held Remotely

Conservation, Sustainability and Green Initiatives **Committee**

PREVIOUS BUSINESS:

1. APPROVING PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

Sponsors: Conservation and Sustainability and Green Initiatives
Committee

2. LOCAL LAW NO. "M" FOR 2021: A LOCAL LAW CONCERNING THE
CUTTING, REPLACING AND PRESERVATION OF FOREST LANDS
BY COUNTY AUTHORITIES

Sponsors: Perlee

CURRENT BUSINESS:

3. PUBLIC HEARING ON LOCAL LAW NO. "M" FOR 2021 A LOCAL LAW
CONCERNING THE CUTTING, REPLACING AND PRESERVATION
OF FOREST LANDS BY COUNTY AUTHORITIES

Sponsors: Perlee

4. AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH CORNELL COOPERATIVE
EXTENSION OF SARATOGA COUNTY FOR THE REMOVAL OF
INVASIVE SPECIES AT THE ANN LEE POND AND AMENDING THE
2022 DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT,
CONSERVATION AND PLANNING BUDGET

Sponsors: Conservation and Sustainability and Green Initiatives
Committee

5. PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED MODIFICATIONS TO
AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT NO. 1

Sponsors: Conservation and Sustainability and Green Initiatives
Committee

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Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, January 25, 2022

6:00 PM

Held Remotely

Conservation, Sustainability and Green Initiatives
Committee

PREVIOUS BUSINESS:

Present: William Reinhardt, Beroro T. Efekoro, Frank J. Commisso, Samuel I. Fein, Patrice Lockart, Matthew J. Miller, Jeff S. Perlee and Merton D. Simpson

Excused: Victoria Plotsky

1. APPROVING PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

A motion was made that the previous meeting minutes be approved. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

2. LOCAL LAW NO. "M" FOR 2021: A LOCAL LAW CONCERNING THE CUTTING, REPLACING AND PRESERVATION OF FOREST LANDS BY COUNTY AUTHORITIES

This Local Law was tabled at the request of the Sponsor.

CURRENT BUSINESS:

3. AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 45 FOR 2019 REGARDING THE COUNTYWIDE RESILIENCY PLAN

A motion was made to move the proposal forward with a positive recommendation. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

4. AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT AND ACCEPTANCE OF GRANT FUNDING REGARDING THE GREENHOUSE GAS INVENTORIES UPDATE PROJECT AND AMENDING THE 2022 ALBANY COUNTY BUDGET

A motion was made to move the proposal forward with a positive recommendation. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

5. AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 69 FOR 2021 REGARDING THE COUNTYWIDE CLIMATE RESILIENCY PLAN

A motion was made to move the proposal forward with a positive recommendation. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

LOCAL LAW NO. “M” FOR 2021

A LOCAL LAW CONCERNING THE CUTTING, REPLACING AND PRESERVATION OF FOREST LANDS BY COUNTY AUTHORITIES

Introduced: 11/8/21

By: Messrs. Perlee, Drake, Grimm, Langdon, Ms. Lockhart, Messrs. Mauriello, Tunny and Ms. Whalen

SECTION 1.

Legislative Intent.

Trees play an essential role in the survival of our planet. Trees mitigate temperature fluctuation and lower air temperatures. Trees prevent soil erosion, regulate the hydrology of soil and groundwater levels and absorb surface water, preventing it from flowing into built up and paved areas that contain pollutants that contaminate our waterways. Trees provide aesthetic comfort to urban landscapes and help delineate and buffer areas of current and future development. Through photosynthesis trees sequester harmful carbon dioxide and release life giving oxygen. Certain species which were once abundant in our County, such as the White Pine and Black Locust, are particularly effective at carbon sequestration. By regulating the exchange of energy and water between earth’s surface and atmosphere, trees are our planet’s primary defense in the battle against global warming. If the present rate of tree removal and death is not addressed, we will lose our last tree, and with it the planet, in less than 200 years' time. It is the intent of this law to create a replacement protocol related to the cutting of forested lands of one-half acres or more owned by Albany County and to create an Albany County Forest Preserve which shall serve to help ensure the preservation and enhancement of the total amount of forest land within Albany County.

SECTION 2.

Protocol related to the cutting of forest lands owned by Albany County.

No area of forested land of one-half acre or greater owned by the County shall be disturbed and developed unless:

(a) an inventory of trees to be disturbed and /or removed is made and filed with the Albany County Soil and Water Conservation District (“ACSWCD”). The survey will conform with generally accepted standards of professional tree surveying and will comprehensively and accurately indicate the species and size of all trees 4” and greater diameter at breast height; and

(b) the ASCWCD will determine the value of the trees to be removed (“tree replacement value”) using the Basic Formula Method from the *Guide for Plant Appraisal 10th Edition* by the International Society of Arboriculture;

(c) the County Executive shall place, or cause to be placed an amount equal to two times the tree replacement value (“replacement payment”) into a special Forest Replacement Reserve Fund (“Reserve Fund”) established for the purpose of purchasing replacement forest property;

(d) upon confirmation of deposit of the replacement payment, the ASCWCD shall certify compliance with this section and issue an authorization to proceed with disturbance and/or removal.

SECTION 3.

Purposes of the Reserve Fund.

Funds deposited within The Reserve Fund shall be utilized exclusively for the following purposes:

(a) to purchase lands suitable for reforestation to be held in fee simple by the County (b) costs directly associated with planting said purchased lands with tree species known to possess high carbon dioxide sequestration capabilities;

SECTION 4.

Acquisition and Maintenance of Replacement Forest Property.

No more than one year following an authorization to disturb county forest lands, the County Executive shall identify and caused to be purchased real property suitable for replacement forest. Said property shall:

(a) be designated as Albany County Forest Preserve and shall be operated and maintained as natural open space in accordance with New York State General Municipal Law, Section 247;

(b) be no smaller in area than two times the area of the parcel containing the disturbed forest land it replaced;

(b) be suitable for reforestation;

(d) be located in an area of the County otherwise underserved by County facilities;

(e) be located where it can serve as a permanent green buffer to existing or proposed development;

(f) be contiguous or in proximate vicinity to lands designated as County Forest Preserve, if applicable;

(g) be forever kept as forest lands;

(h) be capable of use for nature education programs, nature trails and other County recreation purposes.

SECTION 5.

State Environmental Quality Review Act Compliance.

This County Legislature determines that the adoption of this Local Law constitutes a “Type II action” as said term is defined in the State Environmental Quality Review Act (“SEQRA”), and that no further action with respect to same is required under SEQRA.

SECTION 6.

Severability.

If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase or other portion of this law is, for any reason, declared unconstitutional or invalid, in whole or in part, by any court of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed severable, and such unconstitutionality or invalidity shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this law, which remaining portions shall continue in full force and effect.

SECTION 7.

Effective Date.

This local law shall take effect upon filing with the New York Secretary of State.

Referred to Conservation, Sustainability and Green Initiatives and Law Committees – 11/8/21

RESOLUTION NO. 53

PUBLIC HEARING ON LOCAL LAW NO. “M” FOR 2021 A LOCAL LAW CONCERNING THE CUTTING, REPLACING AND PRESERVATION OF FOREST LANDS BY COUNTY AUTHORITIES

Introduced: 2/14/22

By Mr. Perlee:

RESOLVED, By the County Legislature of the County of Albany that a public hearing on proposed Local Law No. “M” for 2021, “A LOCAL LAW CONCERNING THE CUTTING, REPLACING AND PRESERVATION OF FOREST LANDS BY COUNTY AUTHORITIES” will be held remotely by the Albany County Legislature at 7:15 p.m. on Tuesday, March 29, 2022, with participation information to be made available on the Albany County website, and the Clerk of the County Legislature is directed to cause notice of such hearing to be published containing the necessary information in accordance with the applicable provisions of law.

Referred to Conservation, Sustainability, and Green Initiatives and Law Committees – 2/14/22



DANIEL P. MCCOY
COUNTY EXECUTIVE

COUNTY OF ALBANY
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, CONSERVATION AND PLANNING
112 STATE STREET – ROOM 1310
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January 12, 2022

Hon. Andrew C. Joyce, Chairman
Albany County Legislature
112 State St. Room 710
Albany, NY 12207

Dear Chairman Joyce:

The Department of Economic Development, Conservation and Planning is seeking authorization to partner with the Capital Region Partnership for Invasive Species Management (PRISM) on a project in the amount not to exceed \$5,500 to eradicate the invasive plant lesser celandine at Ann Lee Pond Nature and Historic Preserve. The PRISM, is hosted by Cornell Cooperative Extension of Saratoga County. Through Cornell Cooperative Extension, the Capital Region PRISM serves eleven counties, including Albany. Funding for the Capital Region PRISM is provided by the Environmental Protection Fund, administered through a sub-contract with the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation.

Sincerely,

Laura DeGaetano
Sr. Natural Resource Planner

cc: Dennis Feeney, Majority Leader
Frank Mauriello, Minority Leader
Rebekah Kennedy, Majority Counsel
Arnis Zilgme, Minority Counsel



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Legislation Text

File #: TMP-3073, **Version:** 1

REQUEST FOR LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Description (e.g., Contract Authorization for Information Services):

Contract Authorization for Invasive Species Management

Date: 01/14/22

Submitted By: Laura DeGaetano

Department: Economic Development, Conservation and Planning

Title: Sr. Natural Resource Planner

Phone: 518-447-5670

Department Rep.

Attending Meeting: Laura DeGaetano

Purpose of Request:

- Adopting of Local Law
- Amendment of Prior Legislation
- Approval/Adoption of Plan/Procedure
- Bond Approval
- Budget Amendment
- Contract Authorization
- Countywide Services
- Environmental Impact/SEQR
- Home Rule Request
- Property Conveyance
- Other: (state if not listed) Click or tap here to enter text.

CONCERNING BUDGET AMENDMENTS

Increase/decrease category (choose all that apply):

- Contractual
- Equipment
- Fringe
- Personnel
- Personnel Non-Individual

Revenue

Increase Account/Line No.: A8020 4 4046 Fees for Services
Source of Funds: Click or tap here to enter text.
Title Change: Click or tap here to enter text.

CONCERNING CONTRACT AUTHORIZATIONS

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 1/6/2022

- Settlement of a Claim
- Release of Liability
- Other: (state if not listed) Click or tap here to enter text.

Contract Terms/Conditions:

Party (Name/address):

Cornell Cooperative Extension
Saratoga County
50 West High Street
Ballston Spa New York 12020

Additional Parties (Names/addresses):

Click or tap here to enter text.

Amount/Raise Schedule/Fee: \$5,500
Scope of Services: Invasive species management at Ann Lee Pond Preserve

Bond Res. No.: Click or tap here to enter text.
Date of Adoption: Click or tap here to enter text.

CONCERNING ALL REQUESTS

Mandated Program/Service: Yes No
If Mandated Cite Authority: Click or tap here to enter text.

Is there a Fiscal Impact: Yes No

Anticipated in Current Budget: Yes No

County Budget Accounts:

Revenue Account and Line: PRISM Partnership A8020 0 3075
Revenue Amount: \$5,500

Appropriation Account and Line: A8020 4 4046 Fees for Services
Appropriation Amount: \$5,500

Source of Funding - (Percentages)

Federal: Click or tap here to enter text.
State: 100%
County: Click or tap here to enter text.
Local: Click or tap here to enter text.

Term

Term: (Start and end date) March 1-December 31, 2022
Length of Contract: 10 months

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: Resolution 68
Date of Adoption: 3/8/21

Justification: (state briefly why legislative action is requested)

The Department of Economic Development, Conservation and Planning is seeking authorization to partner with the Capital Region Partnership for Invasive Species Management (PRISM) on a project in the amount not to exceed \$5,500 to eradicate the invasive plant lesser celandine at Ann Lee Pond Nature and Historic Preserve. The invasive plant is spreading quickly and threatening the native plant diversity and pollinators and other native animals in the habitat. Due to the size of the infestation the area must be treated with an herbicide. This will be performed by a certified applicator and under a NYS DEC permit and a variance from the County Pest Management Committee. The PRISM, is hosted by Cornell Cooperative Extension of Saratoga County. Through Cornell Cooperative Extension, the Capital Region PRISM serves eleven counties, including Albany. Funding for the Capital Region PRISM is provided by the Environmental Protection Fund, administered through a sub-contract with the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation.

RESOLUTION NO. 68

AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH CORNELL COOPERATIVE EXTENSION OF SARATOGA COUNTY FOR THE REMOVAL OF INVASIVE SPECIES AT THE ANN LEE POND AND AMENDING THE 2021 DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, CONSERVATION AND PLANNING BUDGET

Introduced: 3/8/21

By Conservation, Sustainability and Green Initiatives Committee, Messrs. Beston, Bruschi, Clay, Cleary, Commisso, Ms. Cunningham, Messrs. Efekoro, Ethier, Feeney, Fein, A. Joyce, R. Joyce, Kuhn, Ms. Lekakis, Mr. Mayo, Mss. McLaughlin, McLean Lane, Messrs. Miller, Peter, Reidy, Reinhardt, Ricard, Simpson, Smith, Ward and Ms. Plotsky:

WHEREAS, The Department of Economic Development, Conservation and Planning has requested authorization to enter into an agreement with Cornell Cooperative Extension of Saratoga County in collaboration with the Capital-Mohawk Partnership for Regional Invasive Species Management (PRISM) regarding the removal of Lesser Celandine at the Ann Lee Pond in an amount not to exceed \$7,200 for a term commencing March 1, 2021 and ending December 20, 2021, and

WHEREAS, Lesser Celandine is an invasive perennial flowering plant species that has been detected near the northern parking lot in a drainage area of the Ann Lee Pond and needs to be removed, and

WHEREAS, The Department has indicated that the agreement would allow PRISM to manually eradicate Lesser Celandine from the Ann Lee Pond Nature and Historic Preserve as a project to be performed by a certified applicator under a New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) permit and pursuant to a variance from the County Pest Management Committee, and

WHEREAS, The Department has also indicated that a budget amendment is necessary to incorporate said funds into the 2021 Department of Economic Development, Conservation, and Planning Budget, now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, By the Albany County Legislature that the County Executive is authorized to execute an agreement with Cornell Cooperative Extension of Saratoga County in collaboration with PRISM regarding the removal of Lesser Celandine at the Ann Lee Pond in an amount not to exceed \$7,200 for a term commencing March 1, 2021 and ending December 20, 2021, and, be it further

RESOLVED, By the Albany County Legislature, that the 2021 Department of Economic Development, Conservation, and Planning Budget is amended as follows:

Increase Revenue Account A3075 PRISM Partnership by \$7,200

Increase Appropriation Account A8020.4 by \$7,200 by increasing line item A8020 4 4046 Fees for Service by \$7,200

RESOLVED, That said agreement be approved by the County Attorney as to form and content prior to the execution thereof, and, be it further

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

Adopted by unanimous vote – 3/8/21

IIID PROGRAM BUDGET AMENDMENT

APPROPRIATIONS				
ACCOUNT NO.	RESOLUTION DESCRIPTION	INCREASE	DECREASE	UNIT COST DEPARTMENT NAME
A 8020 4 4046	Fees for Service	5,500.00		EDCP

TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS 5,500.00 0.00

ESTIMATED REVENUES				
ACCOUNT NO.	RESOLUTION DESCRIPTION	DECREASE	INCREASE	UNIT COST DEPARTMENT NAME
A 8020 0 3075	PRISM Partnership		5,500.00	EDCP

TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUES 0.00 5,500.00

GRAND TOTALS 5,500.00 5,500.00

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COUNTY EXECUTIVE



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January 24, 2022

Hon. Andrew Joyce
Albany County Legislature
112 State St., Rm. 710
Albany, NY 12207

Dear Chairman Joyce:

Please find enclosed a Request for Legislative Action to be considered at the March 2022 Committee meetings.

The Agricultural and Farmland Protection Board has completed an 8-year review of Agricultural District #1. As required by Agriculture and Markets Law 25AA Section 303-a, the County Legislature must publish a public notice announcing a public hearing on the proposed modifications to the District. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 447-5670.

Sincerely,

Laura DeGaetano
Sr. Natural Resource Planner

cc: Dennis Feeney, Majority Leader
Frank Mauriello, Minority Leader
Rebekah Kennedy, Majority Counsel
Arnis Zilgme, Minority Counsel



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Legislation Text

File #: TMP-3089, **Version:** 1

REQUEST FOR LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Description (e.g., Contract Authorization for Information Services):

Public hearing on proposed modification to Agricultural District #1

Date: 01/24/22

Submitted By: Laura DeGaetano

Department: Economic Development, Conservation and Planning

Title: Sr. Natural Resource Planner

Phone: 518-447-5670

Department Rep.

Attending Meeting: Laura DeGaetano

Purpose of Request:

- Adopting of Local Law
- Amendment of Prior Legislation
- Approval/Adoption of Plan/Procedure
- Bond Approval
- Budget Amendment
- Contract Authorization
- Countywide Services
- Environmental Impact/SEQR
- Home Rule Request
- Property Conveyance
- Other: (state if not listed) Public Hearing

CONCERNING BUDGET AMENDMENTS

Increase/decrease category (choose all that apply):

- Contractual
- Equipment
- Fringe
- Personnel

- Personnel Non-Individual
- Revenue

Increase Account/Line No.: Click or tap here to enter text.
Source of Funds: Click or tap here to enter text.
Title Change: Click or tap here to enter text.

CONCERNING CONTRACT AUTHORIZATIONS

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 or tap to enter a date.

- Settlement of a Claim
- Release of Liability
- Other: (state if not listed) 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: Click or tap here to enter text.
Scope of Services: Click or tap here to enter text.

Bond Res. No.: Click or tap here to enter text.
Date of Adoption: Click or tap here to enter text.

CONCERNING ALL REQUESTS

Mandated Program/Service: Yes No
If Mandated Cite Authority: Agriculture and Markets Law 25AA sec 303a

Is there a Fiscal Impact: Yes No
Anticipated in Current Budget: Yes No

County Budget Accounts:

Revenue Account and Line: Click or tap here to enter text.

Revenue Amount: Click or tap here to enter text.

Appropriation Account and Line: Click or tap here to enter text.

Appropriation Amount: Click or tap here to enter text.

Source of Funding - (Percentages)

Federal: Click or tap here to enter text.

State: Click or tap here to enter text.

County: Click or tap here to enter text.

Local: Click or tap here to enter text.

Term

Term: (Start and end date) Click or tap here to enter text.

Length of Contract: Click or tap here to enter text.

Impact on Pending Litigation

Yes No

If yes, explain: 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.

Justification: (state briefly why legislative action is requested)

The Agricultural and Farmland Protection Board has completed an 8-year review of Agricultural District #1. As required by Agriculture and Markets Law 25AA Section 303-a, the County Legislature must publish a public notice announcing a public hearing on the proposed modifications to the District within or otherwise readily accessible to the District. The notice shall be published in a newspaper having general circulation within the District and posted on the home page of the county's website and shall be given in writing by first class mail to municipalities within the District; to persons, as listed on the most recent assessment roll, whose land is the subject of a proposed modification; and to the Commissioner of Agriculture and Markets. The notice shall contain the time, date, and place of the public hearing, a description of the District and recommendations of the county agricultural and farmland protection board.

Name	Address	Street	Town	Property Type	Acres	Prin Farm Ent	Ac Owned	Ac Crop	Action
Lucile and Kurt Karpoy	159	Seabury Rd	Berne	Vacant lots <10 Acres	8	Rented	8		Add
Jay and Maver Becker	2108	Switzkill Rd	Berne	Ag Vacant Land Productive	17.6	Hay Livestock cash crop	114	206	Add
Allison Herzog	1576	Township Rd	Knox	Field Crops	84.9	Livestock Veg Poultry Hay	84.9	83.1	Add
Christopher Penno		Turner Rd	Berne	Res Vacant Land	9.38	Equine Hay Apiary	19	9	Add
John Marohn		Township Rd	Knox	Res multi purpose	12.6	Livestock, tree	39.3		Add
Wyatt and Jodi Moller	1170	Township Rd	Knox	Rural Res with Acreage	31.74	Hay, Vegetable, firewood	31.74		IN
Wanda Garner	61	Sturgess Rd	Knox	Field Crops	88.22	Hay Rented	88.22	15	Add
Richard Ronconi	484	Ravine Rd	Berne	Rural Res with Acreage	109.3	Apiary	109.3	100	Add

Name	Address	Street	Town	Property Type	Acres	Action
Shelmerdine, James J		Irish Hill Rd	Town of Berne	Rural Vacant Land >10 Acres	66.0	Remove phone call Part 66ac
Pincher, Louis J Jr	1407	Bozenkill Rd	Town of Knox	One Family Year-Round Residence	3.5	remove call
Bassler, Tracy	697	Joslyn School Rd	Town of Berne	One Family Year-Round Residence	2.5	Remove email
Fiato, Stephen M	37	Saw Mill Rd	Town of Berne	One Family Year-Round Residence	5.0	Remove email
Stevens Robert		Zimmer Rd	Town of Knox	Other Rural Vacant Lands	18.1	Remove email
Jones, Timothy	559	Beebe Rd	Town of Knox	One Family Year-Round Residence	3.5	Remove e-mail
Conway Mary Ann	58	Church Rd	Town of Knox	Rural Residence with Acreage	19.8	Remove phone
Fanning, Eli J	61	Old Stage Rd	Town of Knox	Rural Residence with Acreage	10.3	Remove phone
Levitt Wane		Seabury Rd	Town of Knox	Rural Vacant Lots <10 Acres	5.6	Remove phone
Levitt Wayne P	128	Seabury Rd	Town of Knox	One Family Year-Round Residence	5.9	Remove phone
Shultes Life Estate, Arthur I	67	Tabor Rd	Town of Berne	One Family Year-Round Residence	5.0	Remove wksht

RESOLUTION NO. 535

PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED MODIFICATIONS TO
AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT NO. 3

Introduced: 12/3/18

By Conservation and Improvement Committee:

WHEREAS, Section 303-a of the Agriculture and Markets Law mandates the review of an agricultural district every (8) eight years, and

WHEREAS, The Agricultural Farmland Protection Board has completed an 8-year review in connection with Agricultural District No. 3, and

WHEREAS, In connection with such review, a proposal for the modification of Agricultural District No. 3 has been submitted by the Agricultural Farmland Protection Board in conjunction with the Albany County Planning Board, and

WHEREAS, In conducting such review, Section 303-a of the Agriculture and Markets Law requires this Honorable Body to hold a public hearing at a place within or readily accessible to Agricultural District No. 3 upon notice as prescribed therein, now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, By the Albany County Legislature, that a public hearing be held in the Legislative Chambers at the County Courthouse, Albany, New York at 7:15 p.m. on Tuesday, January 29, 2019 for the purpose of receiving the comments of any interested persons regarding the proposed modifications to Agricultural District No. 3, and, be it further

RESOLVED, That notice of said public hearing be given in accordance with the requirements of the Agriculture and Markets Law, 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.