

RESOLUTION NO. 2015246

RE: AUTHORIZING MUNICIPAL CORPORATION AGREEMENTS
FOR THE ELIMINATION OF THE NECESSITY OF COUNTY'S
REVIEW AND COMMENT ON CERTAIN LOCAL ACTIONS
PURSUANT TO GENERAL MUNICIPAL LAW SECTION 239

Legislators BORCHERT, BOLNER, and SAGLIANO offer the following and move its adoption:

WHEREAS, New York State General Municipal Law Section 239 requires local municipalities to refer applications for certain planning and zoning actions to the Dutchess County Department of Planning & Development for review, and

WHEREAS, the New York General Municipal Law Section 239 further requires the County to assess all such applications as to whether the requested action would have a "county wide" or "inter-community" impact and comment on same, and

WHEREAS, the current referral process results in the processing of applications each year from towns, villages, and cities to the County, a portion of which have neither county-wide nor inter-community impact, and

WHEREAS, New York State General Municipal Law authorizes the County to enter into agreements with local municipalities in order to determine which, if any, of the local municipal actions subject to referral may be deemed strictly matters of local determination, and therefore, not subject to the referral process, and

WHEREAS, the County hereby proposes to eliminate the necessity of the County's review and comment on such local actions, and

WHEREAS, the attached proposed agreement is for use between the referring body or other duly authorized body of a city, town or village and the Dutchess County Department of Planning & Development, which provides that certain proposed actions are of local rather than County wide concern and therefore, exempt from the New York State General Municipal Law Section 239 referral process, and

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the Legislature to approve such municipal corporation agreements and to authorize the County Executive or his designee to execute the said agreements, now therefore be it,

RESOLVED, that this Legislature hereby approves the proposed municipal corporation agreement so that the Department of Planning & Development shall eliminate the need for review and comment on such local actions and authorizes the County Executive or his designee to execute such agreements in substantially the same form as attached hereto, and

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Fiscal Impact: See attached statement

STATE OF NEW YORK

ss:

COUNTY OF DUTCHESS

This is to certify that I, the undersigned Clerk of the Legislature of the County of Dutchess have compared the foregoing resolution with the original resolution now on file in the office of said clerk, and which was adopted by said Legislature on the 13TH day of October 2015, and that the same is a true and correct transcript of said original resolution and of the whole thereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal of said Legislature this 13th day of October 2015.

CAROLYN MORRIS, CLERK OF THE LEGISLATURE

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

NO FISCAL IMPACT PROJECTED

APPROPRIATION RESOLUTIONS

(To be completed by requesting department)

Total Current Year Cost \$ _____

Total Current Year Revenue \$ _____
and Source

Source of County Funds *(check one)*: Existing Appropriations, Contingency,
 Transfer of Existing Appropriations, Additional Appropriations, Other *(explain)*.

Identify Line Items(s):

Related Expenses: Amount \$ _____

Nature/Reason:

Anticipated Savings to County: _____

Net County Cost (this year): _____

Over Five Years: _____

Additional Comments/Explanation:

Prepared by: Jennifer Coccozza

Prepared On: August 18, 2015

AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT, made this _____ day of _____, 20____, by and between the COUNTY OF DUTCHESS, a municipal corporation with offices at 22 Market Street, Poughkeepsie, New York 12601 (hereinafter referred to as the "COUNTY") and _____, a municipality within the County of Dutchess, whose address is _____, _____, NY 12____ (hereinafter referred to as the "MUNICIPALITY").

WITNESSETH:

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WHEREAS, the County hereby proposes to eliminate the necessity of the County's review and comment on such local actions, and

WHEREAS, it is hereby mutually agreed by and between the parties hereto as follows:

1. TERM OF AGREEMENT: This Agreement shall be effective January 1, 2016, and shall terminate on December 31, 2016, unless otherwise terminated as set forth herein. The term of this Agreement shall be extended automatically for a successive year, for a total of five (5) years. If either party decides to terminate this Agreement, either party shall send a written

notice of termination to the other party at least thirty (30) days before the end of any term. This Agreement shall terminate upon thirty (30) days written notice by either party to the other.

2. PAYMENT: None.

3. REFERRALS TO BE ELIMINATED: The following actions shall be eliminated from the referral and review process:

- a. administrative amendments (zoning amendments regarding fees, procedures, penalties, etc.);
- b. special use permits, use variances and area variances for residential uses; and
- c. renewals/extensions of site plans or special permits that have no changes from previous approvals.

4. REFERRALS NOT TO BE ELIMINATED: The following actions shall not be eliminated from the referral and review process:

- a. comprehensive/master plans;
- b. zoning amendments (standards, uses, definitions, district regulations, etc.);
- c. rezonings;
- d. other proposed local laws and/or other authorizations adopted pursuant to zoning (wetlands, historic preservation, affordable housing, architectural review, etc.);
- e. site plans (all);
- f. any action that constitutes a Type 1 Action under SEQRA, and
- g. special permits, use variances, and area variances for all non-residential uses.

5. NOTICES: Except as otherwise provided in this Agreement, notice required to be given pursuant to this Agreement shall be made in writing and addressed to the following or such other person as the parties may designate:

Commissioner of Planning & Development
Dutchess County Dept. of Planning & Development
27 High Street
Poughkeepsie, NY 12601

Municipality
Street Address
City, State and Zip

6. ENTIRE AGREEMENT: The term of this Agreement, including any attachments, represent the final intent of the parties. Any modifications, rescission or waiver of the terms of this Agreement must be in writing and executed and acknowledged by the parties with the same formalities accorded in this Agreement.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

ACCEPTED: COUNTY OF DUTCHESS

County Attorney's Office

BY: _____
Marcus J. Molinaro, County Executive

APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:

MUNICIPALITY:

Eoin Wrafter, Commissioner of
Planning & Development

Name:
Title:

McKinney's Consolidated Laws of New York Annotated
General Municipal Law (Refs & Annos)
Chapter 24. Of the Consolidated Laws
Article 12-B. County Planning Boards and Regional Planning Councils

McKinney's General Municipal Law § 239-l

§ 239-l. Coordination of certain municipal zoning and planning actions; legislative intent and policy

Currentness

1. Definitions. For the purposes of this section and sections two hundred thirty-nine-m and two hundred thirty-nine-n of this article, the following terms shall apply:

(a) "County planning agency" means a county planning board, commission or other agency authorized by the county legislative body to review proposed actions referenced for inter-community or county-wide considerations subject to the provisions of this section, and sections two hundred thirty-nine-m and two hundred thirty-nine-n of this article.

(b) "Regional planning council" means a regional planning board or agency established pursuant to the provisions of this chapter.

2. Intent. The purposes of this section, sections two hundred thirty-nine-m and two hundred thirty-nine-n of this article shall be to bring pertinent inter-community and county-wide planning, zoning, site plan and subdivision considerations to the attention of neighboring municipalities and agencies having jurisdiction. Such review may include inter-community and county-wide considerations in respect to the following:

(a) compatibility of various land uses with one another;

(b) traffic generating characteristics of various land uses in relation to the effect of such traffic on other land uses and to the adequacy of existing and proposed thoroughfare facilities;

(c) impact of proposed land uses on existing and proposed county or state institutional or other uses;

(d) protection of community character as regards predominant land uses, population density, and the relation between residential and nonresidential areas;

(e) drainage;

(f) community facilities;

(g) official municipal and county development policies, as may be expressed through comprehensive plans, capital programs or regulatory measures; and

(h) such other matters as may relate to the public convenience, to governmental efficiency, and to the achieving and maintaining of a satisfactory community environment.

3. Review considerations. In no way shall the review of inter-community and county-wide considerations pursuant to the provisions of this section, or pursuant to sections two hundred thirty-nine-m and two hundred thirty-nine-n of this article, preclude a county planning agency or a regional planning council from making informal comments, or supplying such technical assistance as may be requested by a municipality.

Credits

(Added L.1997, c. 459, § 1, eff. July 1, 1998.)

McKinney's General Municipal Law § 239-l, NY GEN MUN § 239-l
Current through L.2015, chapters 1 to 238.

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