

County of Albany

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Legislation Text

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REQUEST FOR LEGISLATIVE ACTION

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

Requesting Authorization to Accept \$10 million in Restore NY grant funding from Empire State Development and to Transfer the Funding to the Advance Albany County Alliance Local Development Corporation for Project Implementation

Date: 7/17/2024

Department: County Executive

Attending Meeting: Lucas Rogers/Cam Sagan

Submitted By: Lucas Rogers

Title: Economic Dev. Coordinator

Phone: 518-447-5566

Purpose of Request: Contract Authorization Budget Amendment

CONTRACT TERMS/CONDITIONS:

Party Names and Addresses:

Empire State Development 625 Broadway Albany, NY 12245

Advance Albany County Alliance Local Development Corporation 111 Washington Avenue First Floor Albany, NY 12210

Term: (Start/end date or duration) 8/12/2024 - 8/12/2026 - Two Years

Amount/Raise Schedule/Fee: \$10,000,000

BUDGET INFORMATION:

Is there a Fiscal Impact:

Anticipated in Budget:

Spreadsheet attached:

Yes ☒ No ☒

Yes ☒ No ☒

Source of Funding - (Percentages)

Federal: Enter text. County: Enter text.

State: 100 Local: Enter text.

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County Budget Accounts:

Revenue Account and Line: A38020 03987 10000 Restore NY - Central Ware Demo

Revenue Amount: \$10,000,000

Appropriation Account and Line: A98020 44977 10000 Restore NY - Central Ware Demo

Appropriation Amount: \$10,000,000

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Mandated Program/Service: Yes ☐ No ☒ If Mandated, Cite Authority: Enter text.

Request for Bids / Proposals:

Competitive Bidding Exempt: Yes ☑ No ☐
of Response(s): Enter text.
of MWBE: Enter text.
of Veteran Business: Enter text.
Bond Resolution No.: Enter text.
Apprenticeship Program Yes ☐ No ☐

<u>Previous requests for Identical or Similar Action:</u>

Resolution/Law Number and Date: 295 for 2024 - 5/13/2024

DESCRIPTION OF REQUEST: (state briefly why legislative action is requested)

The Office of the Albany County Executive is requesting authorization to enter into an agreement with Empire State Development to accept \$10,000,000 in Restore New York Communities Initiative ("Restore NY") funding to support the demolition of the Central Warehouse. We are also requesting authorization to transfer the funding to the Advance Albany County Alliance for the purposes of project implementation.

The Restore NY program provides municipalities with financial assistance for the revitalization of commercial and residential properties through the elimination and redevelopment of blighted structures. The Restore NY funding supplements the \$3 million American Rescue Plan Act Funding that the Legislature allocated to the Advance Albany County Alliance in June. Based on demolition estimates the combined funding is expected to be sufficient to accomplish the goal of demolishing the Central Warehouse, the region's most prominent eyesore. Abatement work is expected to being imminently followed by demolition that is expected to be complete during Q2 of 2025. After demolition the property will be returned to the County or Advance Albany County Alliance to facilitate positive development at the property.