

RESOLUTION NO. 870

AMENDING VARIOUS RESOLUTIONS REGARDING THE DISBURSEMENT OF AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN FUNDING

Introduced: 12/16/24

By Cunningham:

WHEREAS, The County of Albany received \$29.6 million in funds from the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) which may be used for various projects and programs within the County to help mitigate the long-term effects of the COVID-19 Pandemic, and

WHEREAS, The Albany County Legislature created the ARPA Executive Committee and its various Subcommittees to determine how these funds should be distributed and to review applications for these monies, and

WHEREAS, The ARPA Executive Committee and its various Subcommittees have worked tirelessly over the last year in order to establish guidelines that will assist them in reviewing and evaluating the numerous applications they will receive, and

WHEREAS, By Resolution No. 659 for 2023, as amended by Resolution No. 750 for 2024, this Honorable Body authorized the disbursement of ARPA funding in the amount of \$50,000 to and enter into an agreement with the Albany County Crime Victim and Sexual Violence Center regarding the Transportation Assistance Program for a term commencing December 4, 2023 and ending December 31, 2026, and,

WHEREAS, The Department has indicated that after diligent effort, they have been unable to find a partner for this project and will seek other opportunities to address this need, eliminating the need for an agreement regarding ARPA funding, and

WHEREAS, An amendment to the Resolution is necessary in order to reallocate said ARPA funding to another ARPA project, and

WHEREAS, By Resolution No. 244 for 2024, this Honorable Body authorized the disbursement of ARPA funding in the amount of \$250,000 to and enter into an agreement with the Town of Berne regarding the purchase of and improvements to the Switzkill Farm property located in the Town of Berne, for a term commencing April 8, 2024 and ending December 31, 2026, and

WHEREAS, The agreement with the Town of Berne cannot be finalized until 2025, which is past the December 31, 2024 deadline to finalize ARPA financing, eliminating the need for an agreement regarding ARPA funding, and

WHEREAS, An amendment to the Resolution is necessary to reallocated said ARPA funding to another ARPA project, and

WHEREAS, By Resolution No. 664 for 2023, this Honorably Body authorized the disbursement of ARPA funding in the amount of \$125,000 to and enter into an agreement with the Albany County Department of Public Works for the acquisition of an advanced camera system designed for remote inspection of storm water infrastructure throughout Albany County for a term commencing December 4, 2023 and ending December 31, 2026, and, be it further

WHEREAS, The Department of Public Works has indicted that the actual cost of the Project is only \$99,000, and therefore the remaining ARPA funding is available to be reallocated for other projects, and

WHEREAS, An amendment to the Resolution is necessary to allocate said ARPA funding to another ARPA project, and

WHEREAS, By Resolution No. 661 for 2023, this Honorable Body authorized the disbursement of ARPA funding in the amount of \$52,096 to and enter into an agreement with the Albany County Department of Health regarding the Public Health Data Analytics project for a term commencing December 4, 2023 and ending December 31, 2026, and

WHEREAS, The Department of Health has requested that the amount of the award be reduced from \$52,096 to \$32,096 to reflect the needs of the project, and

WHEREAS, An amendment is necessary to reflect an award amount of \$32,096 and to allocate said remaining ARPA funding to another ARPA project, and

WHEREAS, By Resolution No. 643 for 2024, this Honorably Body authorized the disbursement of ARPA funding in the total amount of \$2,907,700 to and enter into agreements with State Telephone Company Inc., in the amount of \$110,000, and Mid-Hudson Cablevision in the amount of \$2,797,700 regarding broadband expansion projects in Albany County for a term commencing October 15, 2024 and ending December 31, 2026, and

WHEREAS, The County Executive has requested that this Broadband project be awarded the aforesaid amounts to be reallocated from the previous resolutions included herein, in a total amount of \$346,000, and

WHEREAS, An amendment is necessary to reflect an increased amount of ARPA funding for this project, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, By the Albany County Legislature, that Resolution No. 659 for 2023, as amended, is hereby rescinded and revoked, and, be it further

RESOLVED, That Resolution No. 244 for 2024 is hereby rescinded and revoked, and, be it further

RESOLVED, The Resolution No. 664 for 2023 is hereby amended as follows:

Throughout the entirety of the Resolution, Replace “\$125,000” with “\$99,000”
and, be it further

RESOLVED, That Resolution No. 661 for 2023 is hereby amended as follows:

In the Fourth Whereas Clause, Replace “\$52,096” with “\$32,096”; and
In the First Resolved Clause, Replace “\$52,096” with “\$32,096”; and
and, be it further

RESOLVED, That Resolution No. 643 for 2024 is hereby amended as follows:

Throughout the entirety of the Resolution, Replace “\$2,907,700” with “\$3,253,700”, and

In the Sixth Whereas Clause, Replace “2,797,700” with “3,143,700”; and
In the First Resolved Clause, Replace “2,797,700” with “3,143,700”; and
In the Fourth Resolved Clause, Replace “2,807,700” with “3,153,700”
and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the County Attorney is authorized to approve said amendments 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.

Adopted by unanimous vote – 12/16/24

State of New York
County of Albany

This is to certify that I, the undersigned, Clerk of the Albany County Legislature, have compared the foregoing copy of the resolution and/or local law with the original resolution and/or local law now on file in the office, and which was passed by the Legislature of said County on the 16th day of December, 2024, a majority of all members elected to the Legislature voting in favor thereof, and that the same is a correct and true transcript of such original resolution and/or local law and the whole thereof.



IN WITNESS THEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and the official seal of the County Legislature this 17th day of December, 2024.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, which appears to read "Nease Chamber", is written over a horizontal line.

Clerk, Albany County Legislature