

RESOLUTION NO. 374

REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES TO CONDUCT A FEASIBILITY STUDY REGARDING THE PLACEMENT OF PUBLIC-USE ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGERS AT ALL COUNTY PROPERTIES, INCLUDING VACANT PARCELS

Introduced: 6/10/24

By Pedro:

WHEREAS, The shift towards renewable energy resources requires infrastructure upgrades to meet the demands of the users, and

WHEREAS, The streets and neighborhoods of the county were not designed for the placement of electric vehicle charging stations beside the residences and businesses, and

WHEREAS, Densely populated urban areas like those found in Center Square, Pine Hills and Delaware Avenue in Albany, as well as neighborhoods in Cohoes, Watervliet, and Green Island were not designed with driveways or off street parking, making electric vehicle charging difficult, and

WHEREAS, The County of Albany owns various parcels – both improved and vacant – in these areas and could potentially provide public-use electronic vehicle charging stations to assist in the switch to renewable energy resources, and

WHEREAS, Such an undertaking would necessarily take planning and investment, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Honorable Body requests that the Department of General Services conduct a feasibility study on whether public-use electric vehicle charging stations can be made available on County owned properties, including currently vacant properties, and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Department of General Services report its findings by August 30, 2024 so that, if feasible, the costs of such investment can be made a part of the 2025 Albany County Budget discussions, 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.

Referred to Conservation, Sustainability, and Green Initiatives Committee – 6/10/24

Favorable Recommendation Conservation, Sustainability, and Green Initiatives Committee – 6/26/24