

Tompkins County Council of Governments

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ADOPTED RESOLUTION NO. 001-2010

Resolution by the Tompkins County Council of Governments to Accept the County-Wide Intermunicipal Water and Sewer Feasibility Study

MOVED by Mr. Dietrich, seconded by Ms. Sumner, and unanimously adopted by voice vote by members present.

Whereas, the Tompkins County Economic Development Strategy's goals include increasing and diversifying the County's housing supply and revitalizing the county's unique commercial districts and town centers, and

Whereas, the Economic Development Collaborative was organized to formalize, strengthen and deepen the cooperation among the many local agencies and municipal bodies addressing economic development issues in the County to make the process more effective through common goals and approach, and

Whereas, the Tompkins County Council of Governments is a member of the Economic Development Collaborative, which is currently working to address the goals of the County's Economic Development Strategy, and

Whereas, the Economic Development Collaborative suggested the creation of an updated, county-wide evaluation of existing water and sewer infrastructure and the development of a conceptual plan of water and sewer infrastructure needs to support future planned growth to meet municipal housing and economic development goals, and

Whereas, the last county-wide evaluation of water and sewer infrastructure was completed in 1994, and

Whereas, an updated evaluation would facilitate the development of housing within town and village centers, commercial revitalization of those centers and growth in the tax base, with the most efficient use of public dollars for infrastructure, and

Whereas, the Tompkins County Council of Governments supported the development of a county-wide study to evaluate existing water and sewer infrastructure and the prepare conceptual plans of water and sewer infrastructure needs to support future planned growth to meet municipal housing and economic development goals, and

Whereas, the members worked with the Economic Development Collaborative to ensure cooperation of members' planning and engineering departments with this project and helped in securing funding for the study from state and local agencies, and

Whereas, the consultant team lead by TG Miller has met with the participating municipalities to prepare the study, presented the findings at a public presentation on March 4, 2010, and distributed the final draft on <u>March 22, 2010</u> to the Council of Governments for review and comment at their March 25, 2010 meeting, and

Whereas, the Council of Governments finds that the study satisfies the goals of creating a comprehensive inventory of water and sewer infrastructure, providing conceptual planning, and identifying current intermunicipal services as well as specifics for future intermunicipal cooperation to support planned growth, now therefore be it

Resolved, That the Tompkins County Council of Governments accepts the study "The County-wide Intermunicipal Water and Sewer Feasibility Study",

Resolved, further, That the study be sent to New York State in fulfillment of the Shared Municipal Services Incentive grant program contract.

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