



Tompkins County

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TO: Planning, Development, and Environmental Quality Committee
From: Ed Marx, Commissioner of Planning and Sustainability
Date: February 22, 2017
Re: Allocation from the Contingent Fund for an Infrastructure Study in the Town of Dryden

Action Requested

Approval of a resolution to allocate \$1,750 from the Contingent Fund to pay part of the cost of an infrastructure study in the Town of Dryden.

Background

The Legislature set aside \$30,000 from the Contingent Fund to support targeted Planning Department projects to implement the Housing Strategy when it approved the County's 2017 budget. Both the recent Tompkins County Housing Needs Assessment and Tompkins County Housing Summit highlighted the need for additional housing units within Tompkins County. An opportunity has arisen to partner with the Town of Dryden to contract for an infrastructure study that is critical for determining the feasibility of developing new housing within the Town. The Town and County would evenly split the cost of the study.

Financial Impact

This request will draw \$1,750 from the County's Contingent Fund, and then leverage this amount to encourage the Town of Dryden to proceed with funding the other half of the infrastructure study.

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